

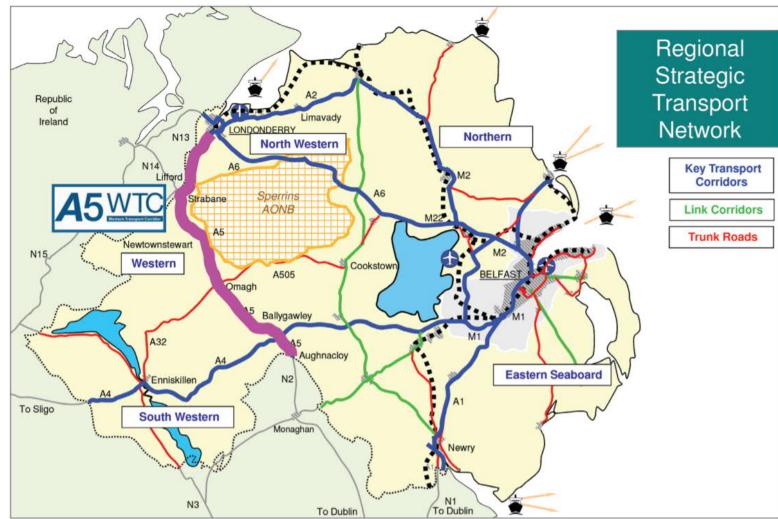


#### **A5 Western Transport Corridor**

OBC 2022 Meeting with the Department of Finance

#### Scheme Overview – Existing A5

- North South Ministerial Council meeting in July 2007 announced availability of funding from Republic of Ireland to help fund major roads programme, including route to the North West.
- A5WTC becomes a Northern Ireland Executive Flagship Scheme.
- Improve links between the urban centres in the west of the province.
- Improve cross border links.
- An enhanced strategic link with international gateways as part of the Trans-European Network.





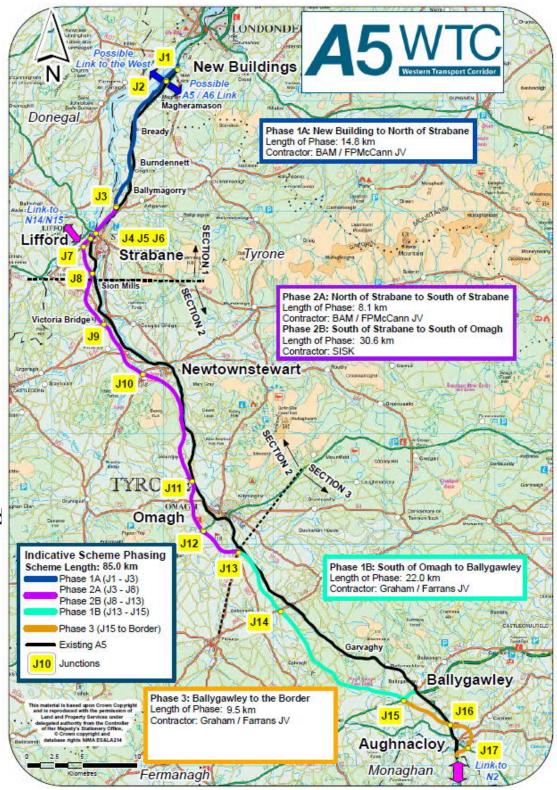
#### **Scheme Overview - Objectives**

- To improve road safety;
- To improve the road network in the west of the Province and North / South Links;
- To reduce journey travel times and improve journey time reliability along the A5 Corridor;
- To provide increased overtaking opportunities for motorists along the A5 Corridor; and
- To develop a scheme proposal in light of safety, economic, environmental, integration and accessibility considerations.



#### **Key Statistics**

- 85km of 2 lane dual carriageway and associated wide single 2+1 and wide single carriageways
- 17 Junctions including 11 Grade Separated and 6 Roundabouts
- 100 side roads affected
- 147 Watercourse Crossings
- 63 Structures including 39 overbridges and 24 underbridges for side roads, accommodation structures and watercourses
- 2000 sq km Study Area with 4 SACs, 2 AONBs, 1 SPA and 3 ASSIs.
- 1150 Ha of landtake for construction

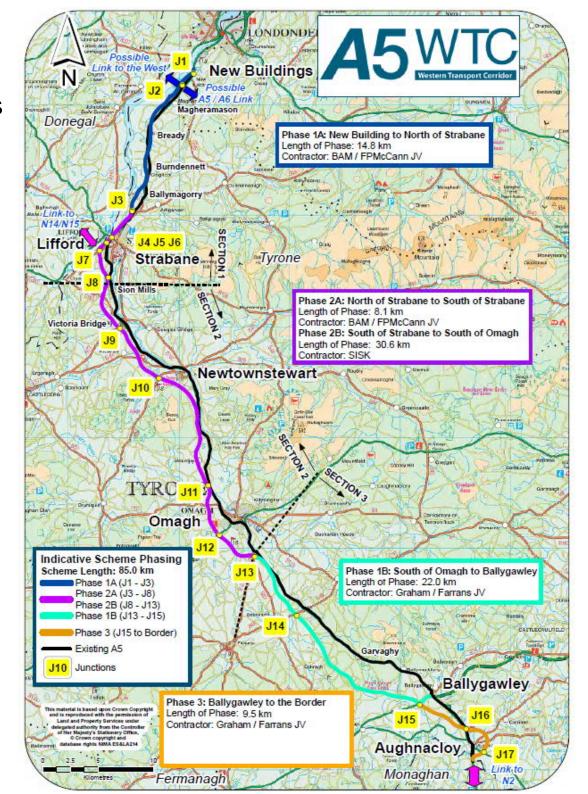




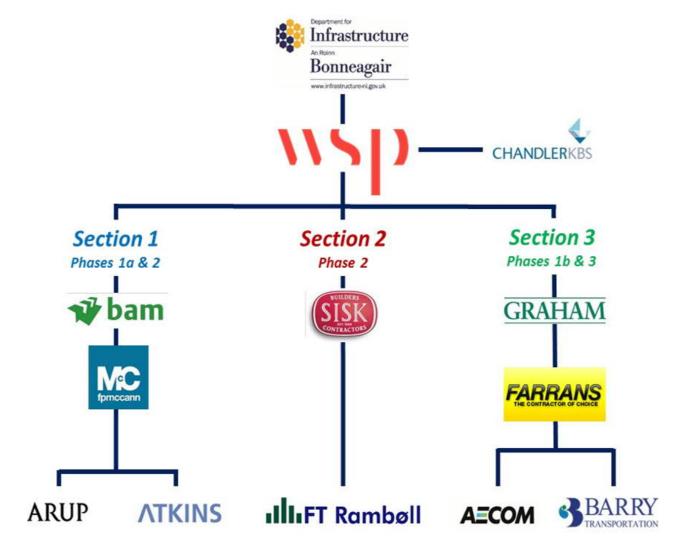
#### **Delivery**

- Phase 1A: New Buildings to North of Strabane
  - 14.8km
- Phase 2A: North of Strabane to South of Strabane
  - 8.1km
- Phase 2B: South of Strabane to South of Omagh
  - 30.6km
- Phase 1B: South of Omagh to Ballygawley
  - 22.0km
- Phase 3: Ballygawley to the Border
  - 9.5km





#### **Integrated Delivery Team Structure**





- Phase 1: NEC3 Option E (Professional Services)
- Phase 2: NEC3 Option C (Target Cost with Activity Schedule)



# Scheme Overview - Project History / Timeline

2007	NOVEMBER	WSP appointed to take forward the development of scheme – estimated cost of £650 - £850million		
2010	NOVEMBER	Draft Orders published. 2100 objections received.		
2011	MAY & JUNE	8 week Public Inquiry		
2012		First OBC approved 2012		
	JULY	Minister decided to proceed with the scheme and Make the Orders (Direction Order, Vesting Order)		
	SEPTEMBER	Legal challenge lodged by AA5A Vesting Order for the A5WTC became operative		
2013	APRIL	Minister's decision and Orders quashed.		
2015	NOVEMBER	"A Fresh Start" reaffirmed the Governments commitment to Progress Phase 1		
2016 FEBRUARY		Publication of new Environmental Statement together with a new draft Direction Order and draft Vesting Order		
	OCTOBER& DECEMBER	Public Inquiry		
2017		Publish Notice of Intention to Proceed  Updated OBC approved 2017		
	DECEMBER	Legal challenge lodged by the AA5A		
2018	NOVEMBER	Department concedes the legal challenge and Orders quashed.		
2019	MARCH	Environmental Statement Addendum (ESA) published, 250 objections received		
2020	JANUARY	"New Decade New Approach", A5WTC identified as key project under headings Turbocharging Infrastructure and Connectivity and Infrastructure		
	FEBRUARY& MARCH	Public Inquiry		
2020	SEPTEMBER	Interim Public Inquiry Report received from the Planning Appeals Commission (PAC)		
2020	DECEMBER	Submission issued to Minister		
2021	MARCH	Publication of PAC Interim Report and Interim Departmental Statement		
2022	MARCH	ESA 2022 Published. OBC 2022 under preparation Preparation for reconvening of the Public Inquiry ongoing		



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### **Moving forward**

- Public Inquiry
  - Further public consultation exercise likely (24<sup>th</sup> October 2022 for 6 weeks).

    Information due to be released includes:
    - Strategic Context and Policy Report
    - Traffic Forecasts Report
    - Economic Assessment Report
  - Date of PI TBC anticipated January / February '22
  - Final PAC Report expected September/October 2023



## **Anticipated Construction Dates**

• Section 1:

Phase 1A: 2024 to 2026

Phase 2A: 2025 to 2027

• Section 2:

Phase 2B: 2025 to 2028

• Section 3:

Phase 1B: 2025 to 2028

• Phase 3: 2026 to 2028





#### **Status of Outline Business Case - 2017**

- Correspondence between the Department of Finance (DoF) and DfI, advising that the OBC 2017 condition of submitting the first Full Business Case by December 2021 (extended) was not going to be met.
- Confirmation at the meeting with DoF on 29 April 2021 that the OBC 2017 was no longer appropriate and needed to be updated to take account of:
  - a. The new phasing dates due to a later start date on site and the associated changes to the traffic and scheme economics; and
  - b. The update to the whole scheme cost estimate.



#### **Outline Business Case - 2022**

- OBC 2022 is under preparation –submission anticipated in Oct / Nov.
- Base Model still 2015.
- No opportunity to update the 2015 base model.
- Present Year Validation was undertaken using 2019 data
- A full review of Uncertainty Log data
- A6 Dualling included Flow changes are insignificant
- Changes to TAG since June 2017 incorporated
- Road Traffic Forecast (RTF) updated from 2015 to 2018
- Rol growth rates updated to data published as of 2021
- TEMPRO NI Current version retained as it is.



#### OBC 2017 vs OBC 2022

Key items	2017 OBC	2022 OBC	
Model Base year	2015	2015	
Base Traffic Data	2014-2016	2014-2016	
Socio- Economic data	Census 2011	Census 2011	
TEMPRO-NI	NTEM 7.2	NTEM 7.2	
Development Log	Reviewed - Three Rivers Development included	Reviewed – Three Rivers Removed due to planning status	
RTF (LGV / HGV)	2015	2018	
TAG	Published prior to July'17	Most up to date versions available at the time of the assessment.	
NI Guidelines	Hybrid of NIGEAE / DfT Five case model	Better Business Cases NI Nov'20 / DfT Five case model	
Scheme Cost	2017 Q2	2022 Q2	
Phase 1A OY	2019	Q4 2026 (2027)	
Phase 1B OY	2021	Q1 2028 (2028)	
Phase 2 OY	2023	Q4 2027 (2028)	
Whole Scheme OY	2028	2028	
Scheme Economics	Phase level / Full scheme	Phase level / Full scheme	
Accident Data	2011-2015	2015-2019	

#### OBC 2022 – Document Structure

Chapter	OBC 2017	(OBC 2022)			
1 (1)	Introduction				
2 (1)	Outline Business Case	Introduction			
3 (1)	The Scheme				
4 (2)	The Strategic Case	The Strategic Case			
5 (3)	The Economic Case	The Economic Case			
6 (4)	The Financial Case	The Financial Case			
7 (5)	The Commercial Case	The Commercial Case			
8 (6)	The Management Case	The Management Case			



#### Timeline of OBC2022 updates

April 2021

Decision to proceed with OBC2022 18<sup>th</sup> Oct 2021

OBC2022 status update Presentation to Dfl /DoF

#### May 2022

Second Draft prepared addressing the comments received from Dfl. Further comments received













Sep /Oct 2021

Data Delivered to ESA 2022



First Draft OBC released for Dfl review



Agree approach with addressing outstanding comments.

Release OBC for DoF Approval



#### Emerging Findings - Core Scenario - Initial BCRs (2017 vs 2022)

Core Sce	Core Scenario 2010 Prices discounted to 2010 (£M)			%	
Costs & B	enefits	OBC 2017	ОВС	2022	Change
Economic Efficiency E	Benefits (TUBA)	1051.67		838.44	-20%
Accident Benefits		105.68		124.92	18%
Construction and Mair	ntenance Impact	55.6		24.7	-56%
Carbon Benefits (Green	enhouse Gas)	-103.94		-39.91	-62%
Monetised Noise Ben	efits	4.33		-0.64	-115%
Monetised Air Quality	Benefits	9.61		5.27	-45%
Indirect Tax Revenue		63.91		6.92	-89%
Present Value of Ber	nefits (PVB)	1186.84		959.7	-19%
Capital Cost		669.41		807.76	21%
O&M Costs		49.68		58.16	17%
Present Value of Cos	719.09	865.92		20%	
Net Present Value (NPV)		467.76	93.78		-80%
Benefit to Cost Ratio	1.65		1.11	-33%	



## Emerging Findings - Core Scenario - Initial and Adjusted BCRs (2017 vs 2022)

Initial and Adju	nitial and Adjusted Benefits		2010 Prices discounted to 2010 (£M)		
Costs & E	<b>Benefits</b>	OBC 2017	OBC 2022	Change	
Established Benefits		£1,186.84	£959.70	-19%	
Evolving Benefits		£264.11	£208.13	-21%	
Adjusted Present Valu	e of Benefits (PVB)	£1,450.95	£1,167.83	-20%	
Present Value of Cost	s (PVC)	£719.09	865.92	20%	
Net Present Value (NF	PV)	£731.86	£301.91	-59%	
Adjusted BCR		2.02	1.35	-33%	



## Value for Money Categories (VfM)

VfM Category	Implied by		
Very High	BCR greater than or equal to 4		
High	BCR between 2 and 4		
Medium	BCR between 1.5 and 2		
Low	BCR between 1 and 1.5		
Poor	BCR between 0 and 1		
Very Poor	BCR less than or equal to 0		



## Emerging Findings – Initial BCRs and VfM – Low, Core and High Growth Scenario

Initial B	CR	2010 Prices discounted to 2010 (£M)		
Costs & Be	enefits	Low Growth	<b>Core Growth</b>	<b>High Growth</b>
<b>Established Benefi</b>	ts (PVB)	788.4	959.7	1194.7
Present Value of C	osts (PVC)	865.9	865.9	865.9
Net Present Value	(NPV)	-77.6	93.8	328.8
Initial BCR		0.91	1.11	1.38
Initial VfM		Poor	Low	Low

Based on initial BCR estimates the VfM category ranges from **Poor to Low** 



# Emerging Findings – Adjusted BCRs and VfM – Low, Core and High Growth Scenario

Adjusted	BCR	2010 Prices discounted to 2010 (£M)			
Costs & Be	enefits	<b>Low Growth</b>	<b>Core Growth</b>	<b>High Growth</b>	
<b>Evolving Benefits</b>		188.6	208.1	238.0	
Adjusted Present \ Benefits (PVB)	/alue of	976.9	1167.8	1432.7	
Present Value of C	osts (PVC)	865.9	865.9	865.9	
Net Present Value	(NPV)	111.0	301.9	566.8	
Adjusted BCR		1.13	1.35	1.65	
Adjusted VfM		Low	Low	Medium	

Based on adjusted BCR estimates the VfM category ranges from Low to Medium.



At 2017 OBC the adjusted BCR VfM category was Medium to High

**OBC2017**: Low – 1.56, Core -2.02 and High 2.63

#### **Questions**

