



# Trans – Pennine Tunnel Strategic Study Stakeholder Roundtable

26th February 2015



# for Transport Agenda – 26 February 2015, 14.30pm- 17.00pm AGENCY



The aim is of this roundtable is to build on the conversation, which was started during the development of Route Strategies and Feasibility Study and to continue this in the Strategic Studies.

#### AGENDA: Trans-Pennine Tunnel Strategic Study

- Welcome and Introductions
- Transport for the North Purpose and plan
- Context and background to the study
- Proposed scope
- Suggested timescales
- How to involve you
- What are next steps
- Wider Discussion (if needed)











# Purpose and plan

- TfN is the North's response to:
  - Higgins' HS2 reports and the need to rebalance the national economy
  - Chancellor's clarion call for a Northern Powerhouse
- Brings together
  - Six northern city regions Greater Manchester, Liverpool, Leeds, Sheffield, the North East, Hull and the Humber – together with senior executives from their Local Enterprise Partnerships to represent business
  - DfT
  - Network Rail
  - Highways England
  - HS2 Ltd





# Purpose and plan

- Will develop the One North proposition into a blueprint for action and investment across the North
  - Rail spending and network development across future HLOS periods;
  - Highways priorities emerging from the Roads Investments Strategy (RIS)
     Strategic Studies and determination of future network development priorities;
  - Integration between TfN, Rail North and HS2 programmes; and
  - Future national ports and airports policies.





# Progress

- Drafting interim report now
- Submission to Government in March
- Keep up to date and learn more at the new website: <u>www.transportforthenorth.com</u>



#### The Road Investment Strategy





Road Investment Strategy: Overview



Road Investment Strategy: Performance Specification



Department for Transport

Road Investment Strategy: Strategic Vision



Road Investment Strategy: Investment Plan



On 1 December 2014, the government published the Road Investment Strategy, which outlined how £15.2 billion will be invested on the strategic road network between 2015 and 2020.

84 new national road projects were announced, bringing the total being taken forward as part of the Roads Investment Strategy to 127.



#### Department The Road Investment Strategy

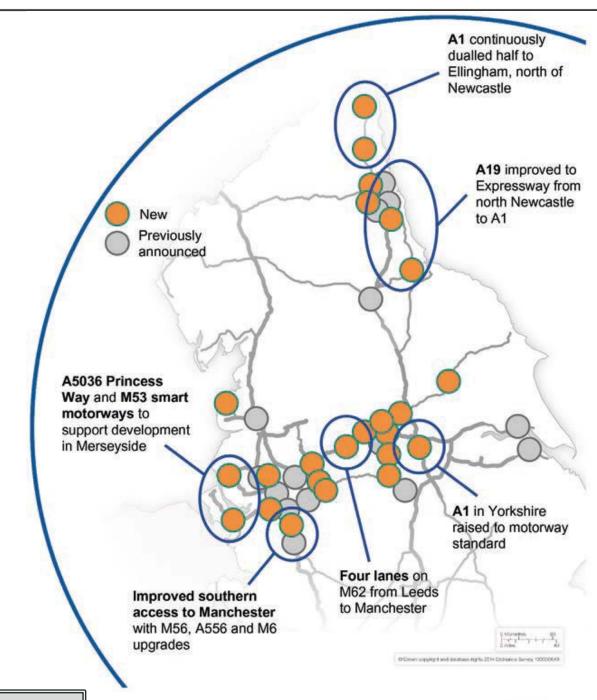


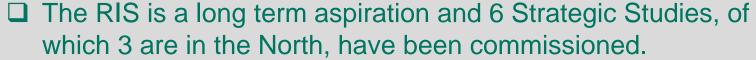
#### **North East and Yorkshire**

- 26 major schemes
- £1.4 billion invested this Road Period
- A1 all motorway Doncaster to Newcastle, all dual Newcastle to Ellingham
- Smart motorways linking Sheffield and Leeds to Manchester and London

#### **North West**

- 16 major schemes
- £1.5 billion invested this Road Period
- Biggest increase in capacity into the region since 1971
- Key east-west and north-south links upgraded to Smart Motorways









### **Road Investment Strategy (Trans – Pennine** for Transport Tunnel)



## What the Road Investment Strategy says:

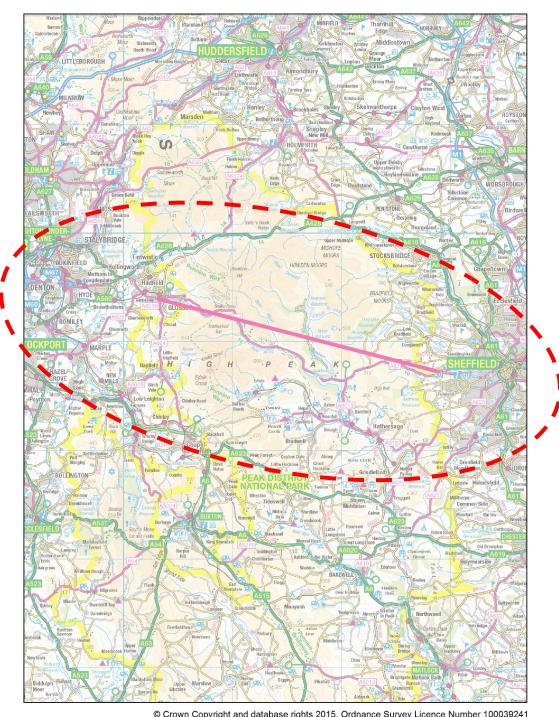
"This study will examine the strategic options for the tunnel, to understand the viability, costs and deliverability of such a connection, and determine its role and priority within the emerging transport strategy for the north."

**Investment Plan: December 2014** 



## **Geographic Scope**





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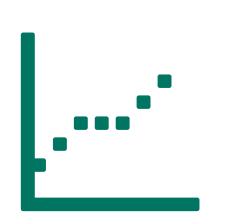
### **Trans – Pennine Tunnel Strategic Study**



















# for Transport Provisional Timescales





**Purdah** 



**Spending Review** 



# Stage 1 2015

Defining the aims and objectives of the study

Commissioning the study from Highways England

#### Stage 2 Summer 2015

Data gathering and evidence review

Review and agree the options, and examine their operational and technical feasibility

Interim Report (late summer 2015)

### Stage 3 Autumn 2015

Assess the benefits arising from the deliverable and operable options

Report (Autumn 2015)

#### Stage 4 2017 / 18

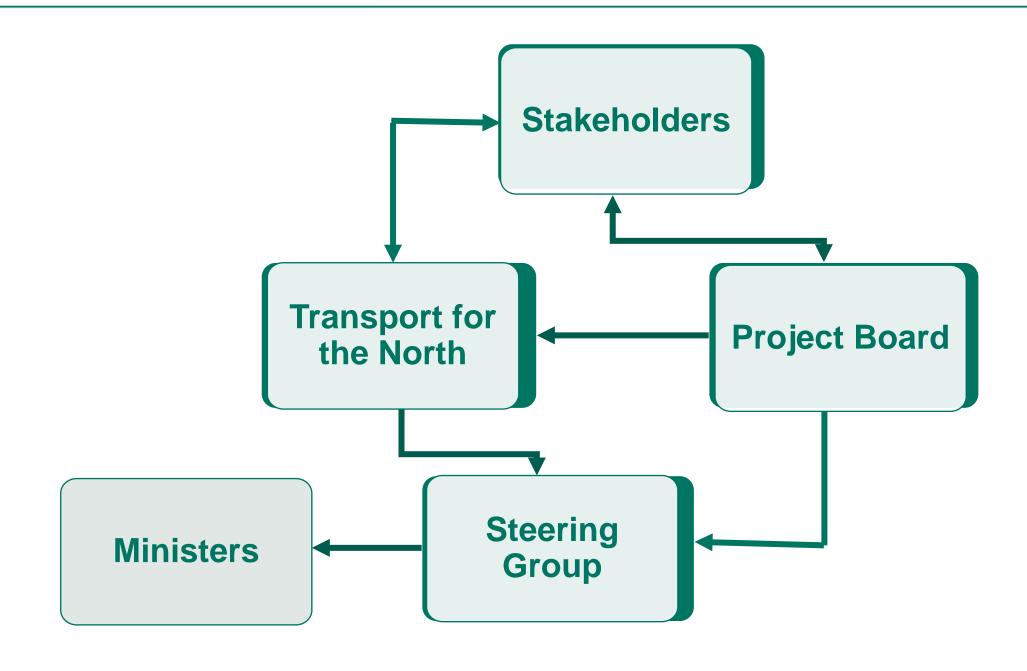
Development
of investment
options for all
Strategic
Studies and
Route
Strategies to
inform
priorities for
spending in
RIS2





#### Our respective roles









#### **Next Steps**



- Agreeing the Terms of Reference
- Commissioning technical support and work
- Further stakeholder meetings post elections





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# **THANK YOU!**