

# **Oxford to Cambridge Arc**

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# The Basis for Collaboration

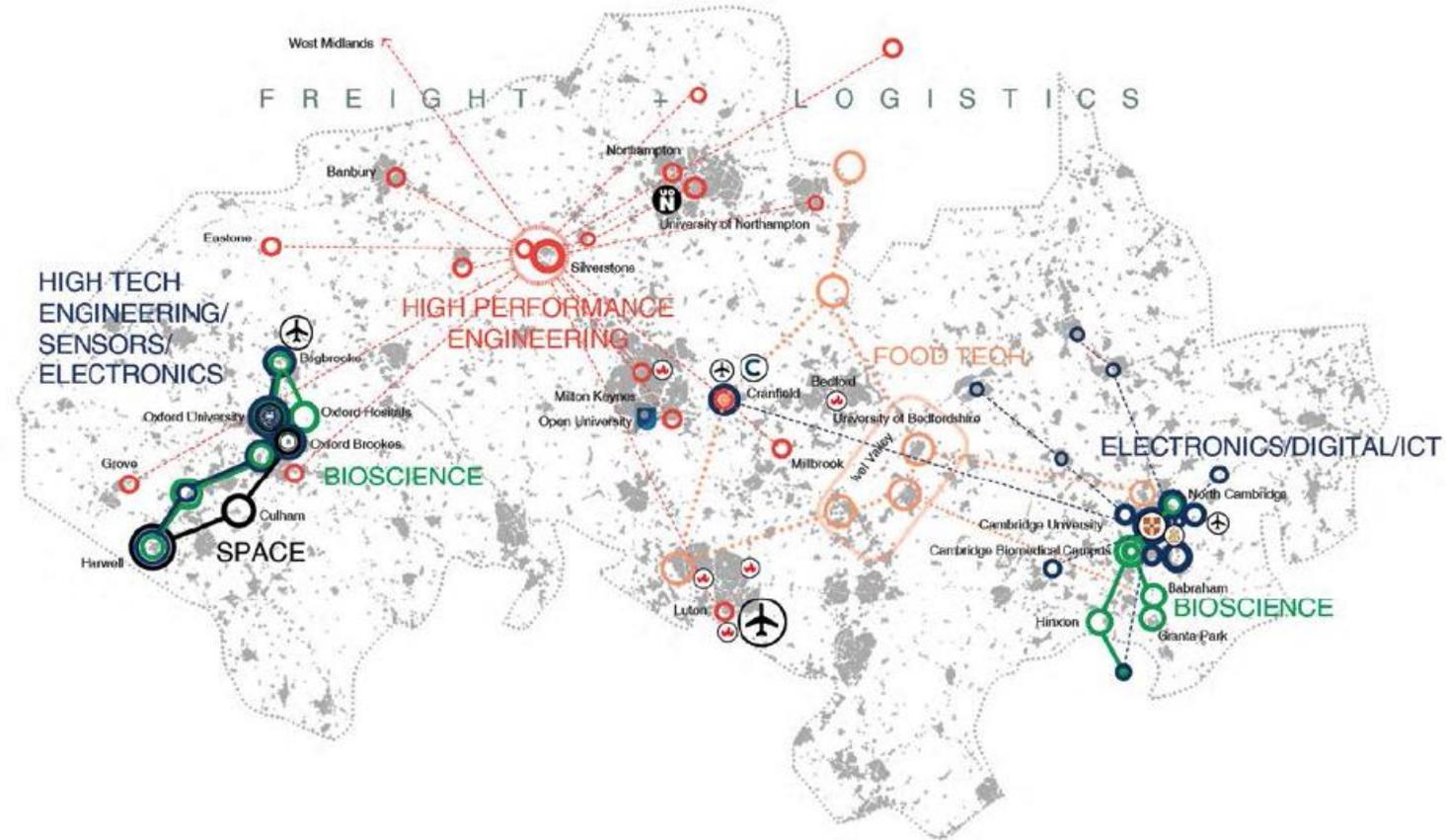


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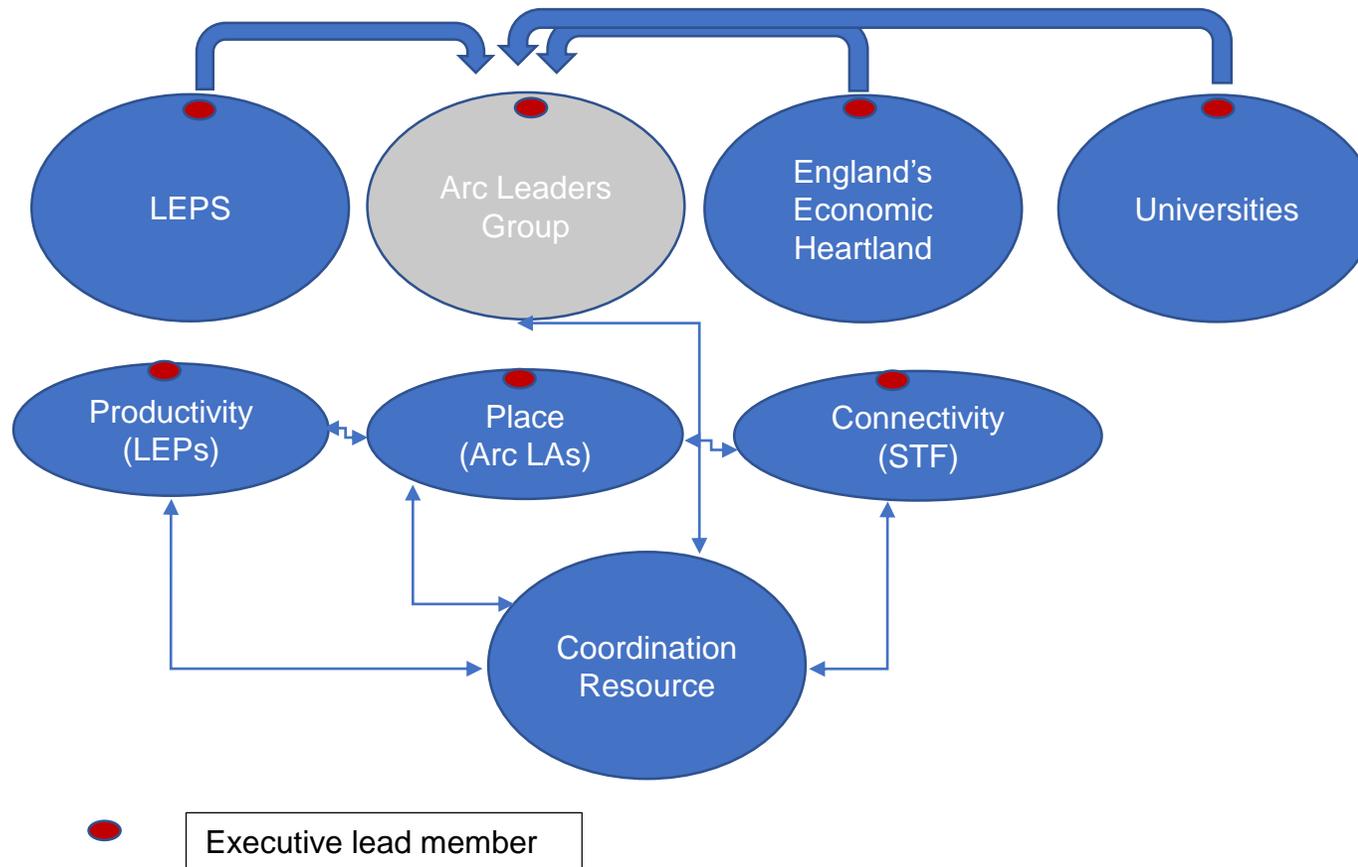


# Context



*“... there is the long-term potential to transform the Arc as a whole into a world-leading economic area, acting as a testbed for innovation.”* The Oxford-Cambridge Arc: Government ambition and joint declaration between Government and local partners (March 2019)

# Oxford-Cambridge Arc Leaders Group



# OxCam Arc BRAND

## OUR SHARED 2050 AMBITION

“Our shared ambition is for the Oxford-Cambridge Arc to be the world leading place for high value growth, innovation and productivity. A global hub where ideas and companies are generated and thrive, home to exemplary models of 21<sup>st</sup> century development, with a high-quality environment and outstanding quality of life, and with a strong economic focus that drives inclusive clean growth”

### COMMON OBJECTIVES

- Committing to delivering an Oxford-Cambridge Arc that is greater than the sum of its parts.
- Demonstrating collaboration and partnerships, working together for the public good across geographical boundaries, institutions, and political interests.
- Taking the long view – an ambition to 2050 – and working effectively now to achieve it.
- Environmental improvement built into everything we do.
- Delivering places and homes that make people proud and stand the test of time.
- Infrastructure and homes planned the right way to meet the Arc’s full economic potential.

### HOW WE WILL WORK TOGETHER



### WHAT WE WILL DO NEXT

- This is our emerging shared ambition to 2050, but now we want to hear from others – from businesses, from environmental and heritage groups, from the public. So we will launch a road show over Summer 2019 to get their views.
- And this will be a digital road show too, aiming to embed open digital policy making principles so everyone gets their say.
- We will aim to publish a revised ambition in Autumn 2019.
- This is our shared ambition for the Arc, and we will consider it when taking forward individual and collective projects and activities in the Arc.

#### A WORLD LEADING ECONOMY

- Set out to become the most talented, productive and innovative place in the world.
- Target economic indicators (TBC) based on long-range economic forecasting and LISs – growth, employment, innovation, R&D investment etc.
- Industrial strengths we will maximise (within and beyond LISs).
- Strength of current and future university and research services (drawing on university collaboration work).

#### PLACES PEOPLE LOVE TO LIVE AND WORK

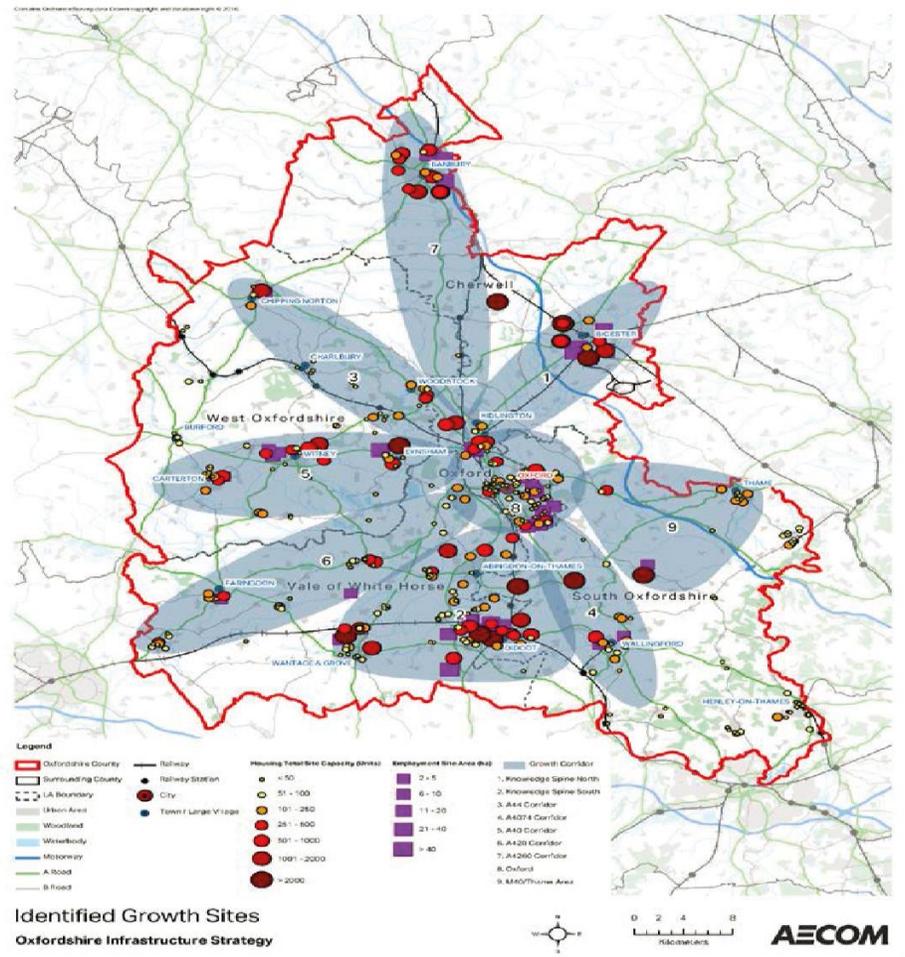
- Aim to create happy, healthy, inclusive communities, for this and future generations.
- Target among highest quality of life indicators in the world.
- Build quality homes at scale to tackle affordability and unlock full economic potential – Planning for the best places together – considering an Arc spatial vision underpinned by a number of joint plans.

#### A BETTER ENVIRONMENT

- A demonstration of best practice for the Government’s 25 Year Environment Plan, including implementing an Arc Local Natural Capital Plan.
- A biodiversity/ environmental net gain approach to development of housing and infrastructure.
- Increasing wildlife-rich habitats and supporting environmental services for recreation, flood amelioration, water and air quality improvements.

#### THE INFRASTRUCTURE WE NEED

- Committing to East West Rail and the Expressway while aligning delivery to maximising economic & housing opportunities.
- Arc as front runner for Future Mobility Grand Challenge.
- Embedding principles of the Government’s Future Telecoms Infrastructure Review in development.
- Recognise principle of planning for physical and social infrastructure, including transport, health, education, utilities, ahead of building new communities.



OxIS Assessment- top 12 Oxfordshire schemes	Current cost
Didcot to Oxford Capacity Improvement	£570m
Oxford station redevelopment Phases 2 and 3 (including new station buildings, Phase 2 rail infrastructure works and replacement of Botley Road Bridge)	£291m
Culham to Didcot Strategic Link	£125m
Rapid Transit Network Lines 1, 2 and 3	£120m
Didcot East Junction Grade Separation	£100m
A40 Corridor Stage 2 (Witney to Eynsham)	£54m
Cotswold Line Upgrade Phase 1 (inc Hanborough Station)	£150m
Upgrade Cowley Rail Line to enable provision of passenger services	£50m
A34 Short Term Upgrades	£50m
Science Vale, Didcot – new Science Bridge & A4130 Capacity	£43m
Northern Development Arc – A40-A44 Link Road and A44/A4260 corridors inc new A44 P&R	£38m
A34 Lodge Hill P&R and Lorry Park	£19m

# What is Next?

- Conversation about the Arc, its value, its purpose and its programme
- Further Government Commitment through Autumn Statement/CSR
- Discussion about a Spatial Framework
- Implications for Oxfordshire