

Package 5 – Western Gateway (Watford & Croxley Business Parks)

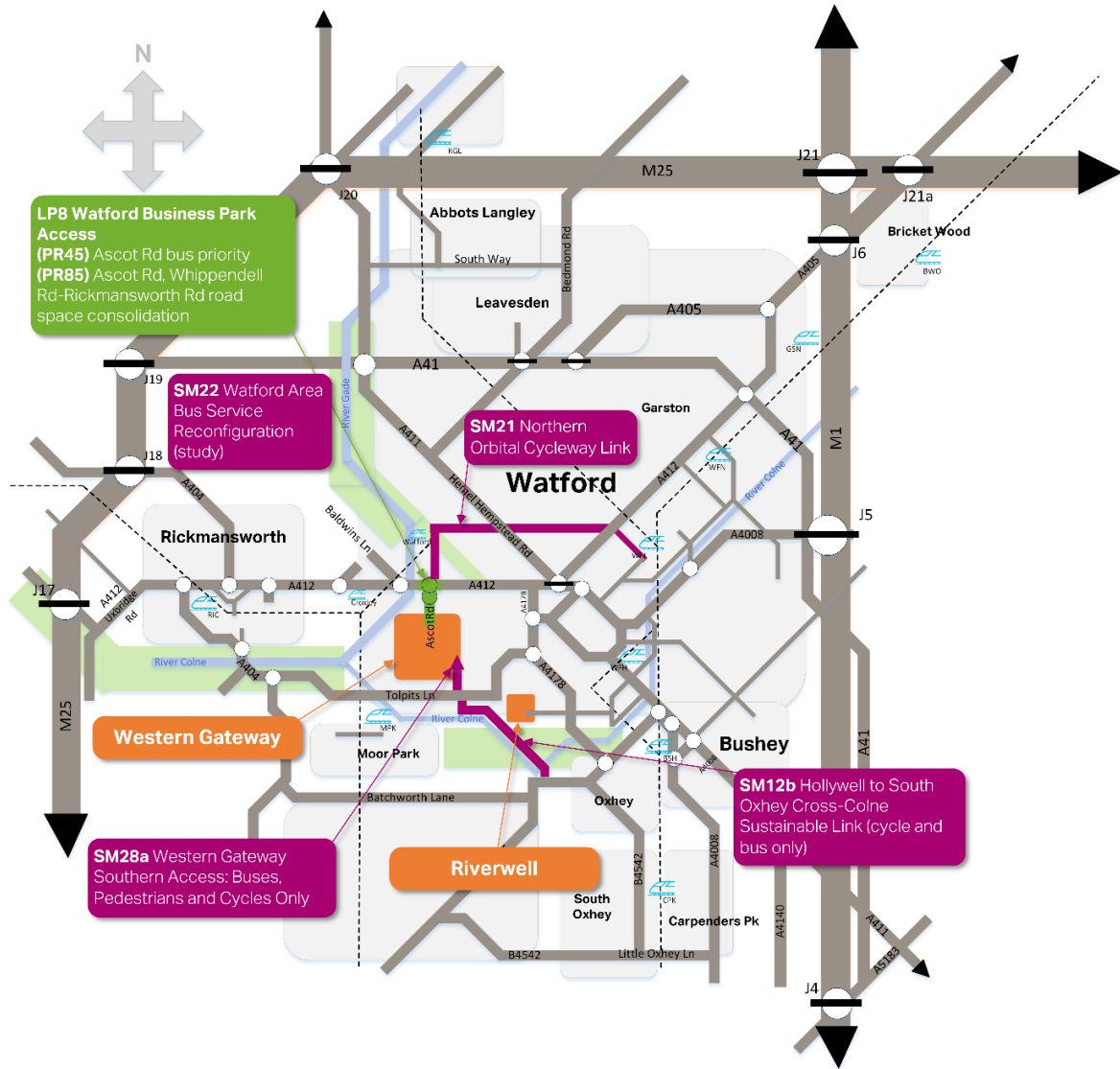
The overarching aim of Package 5 is:

To improve access to Watford & Croxley business parks through the enhancement of sustainable transport links.

The package consists of:

- A new southern access into Watford & Croxley Business Parks area for cyclists and buses only.
- Making use of the disused railway alignment in West Watford to enable sustainable and mass transit transport opportunities (see Strategic Interventions)
- The introduction of a new bus- and cycle-only link across the River Colne linking South Oxhey and the Business Parks Area.
- Enhanced cycleways and facilities from the area around the edge of Watford town centre to Watford Junction.

Reference		Scheme or Project Name	Concept description
LP8	PR45	Ascot Road bus priority	Reduce Ascot Road (main entrance link road) from dual carriageway to a single carriageway, with a lane converted to bus only lane in each direction.
	PR85	Ascot Road -Whippendell Road-Rickmansworth Road road space consolidation	Simplification of some road space at the Watford & Croxley Business Parks access junctions including reduction in lanes approaching roundabouts and enhanced provisions for pedestrians on Ascot Road (linked to bus priority scheme PR45).
SM12b		Holywell to South Oxhey Cross-Colne Sustainable Link (cycle and bus only)	Upgrade of Ebury Way from Tolpits Lane to adjacent to Electricity Transmission Station and new section running to Hampermill Lane alongside Bushey Cricket Club. New/re-routed bus services from Bushey and South Oxhey areas.
SM21		Watford northern orbital cycle link	Enhanced cycleway link between Watford Junction and Cassiobury Park via Langley Road, Stratford Road and Stratford Way, through Cassiobury Park (via existing route), Cassiobury Park Avenue, Swiss Avenue, Gade Avenue, Rickmansworth Road and Ascot Road (utilising existing provision with some enhancements at junctions and across roads such as the A412).
SM22		Watford Area Bus Reconfiguration (study)	A study to identify potential reconfiguration of bus services throughout Watford and connections to neighbouring settlements to provide efficient routes across the town with the aim of maximising connections to the town centre, Watford & Croxley business parks, and retail parks.
SM28		Watford Business Park southern access: Buses, pedestrians and cycles only	A new southern access into the Watford & Croxley business parks area from Tolpits Lane for buses, pedestrians and cyclists only (bus services use existing roads to Moor Park, Northwood etc.). Plus new walking connection between Tolpits Lane industrial area and Watford & Croxley Business Parks via Ebury Way and Dwight Road.



Package 5 preferred combination