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# Manchester Airport Transport Forum - Airport Update

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# Agenda

- Welcome to Manchester
- Recap – What is Surface Access?
- Why is the theme Connectivity?
- Our Sustainable Development Plan & Surface Access Plan
- Surface Access Principles
- Key initiatives – our year in pictures
- Next Steps



# Recap.. What is Surface Access

**Surface Access** is all the ways in which:

- Passengers
- Visitors
- Colleagues
- Goods
- Local Communities

Travel to and from the Airport. It's part of the Airport's capacity.

This includes travelling by train, Metrolink, coach, bus, taxi, private hire, car, motorbike, lorry, van, bike and of course on foot.

**There are range of stakeholders with an interest in surface access and that is why collaboration and connectivity is key.**



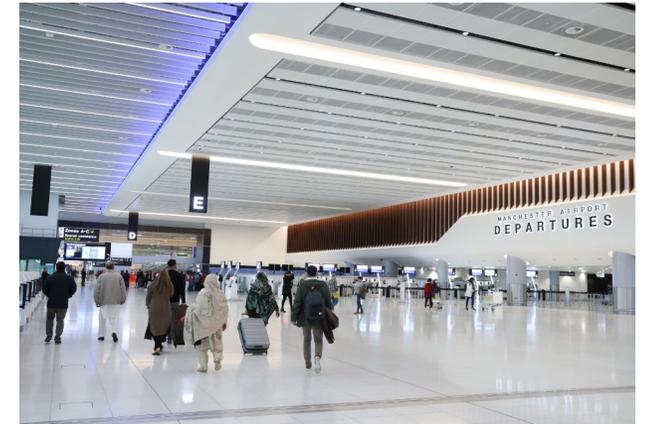
# Why Connectivity ?...

- Last year our theme was collaboration – exploring how working together allows us to find solutions together
- Over the past 12 months we have been working closely with our stakeholders to innovate and share ideas.
- We recognise that by continuing to enhance connectivity to the airport, we can offer better choice thus helping to:
  - Better connect people to jobs
  - Supporting business growth
  - Improving access to services
  - Reducing congestion and emissions
  - Enhances public health through increased opportunities for active travel



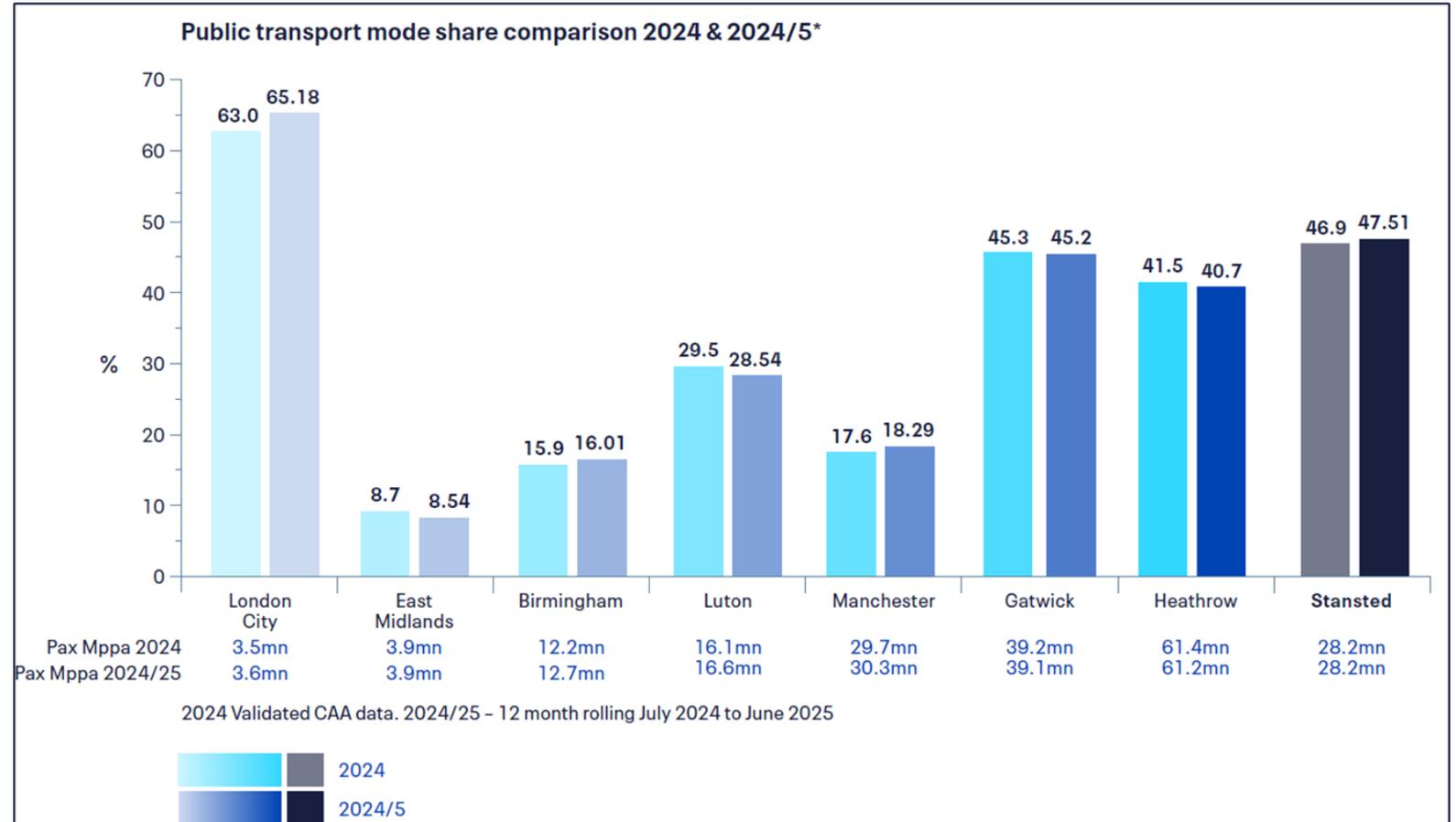
# Key Airport Activity

- All airlines due to operate from Manchester's Airport's award-winning Terminal 2 have now completed their move!
- Around three-quarters of Manchester Airport's 32m passengers will use the revamped Terminal following it's £1.3bn transformation.
- Record passenger numbers this year.
- Exciting new plans for T3 will see:
  - A new entrance to the terminal with more space, easier access and better facilities
  - Brand new security equipment
  - 40% more seating capacity in the departure lounge
  - New shops and food and drink outlets
  - A new 500 seat bar area with airfield views
  - An expanded dining area with 200 extra seats
  - More shops and facilities landside in the arrivals area of the terminal



# Current Insight:

- The Airport's passenger numbers are growing,
- Around 18% of passengers arrive by public transport
- Car and Taxi arrivals at the Airport are still popular for passengers



# Sustainable Development Plan

Sets out the strategic context and approach for the development of Manchester Airport to capitalise on the opportunities for growth whilst operating a responsible and sustainable business

## Changes since the last SDP:

- Economic growth
- EU exit
- COVID-19 pandemic
- Economic and energy challenges
- On-site developments including T2 facilities
- Local development in the vicinity of the Airport

**The SDP also sets out the Airport's approach to Surface Access**



# Surface Access - Key Principles

- **Predictable, Affordable, and Reliable Accessibility to the Airport:** Easy access by a variety of modes is important for MAN's success
- **Sustainable Accessibility:** Working to increase the proportion of public transport journeys, and active travel modes
- **Reduce Carbon, Congestion, and Improve Air Quality:** Encouraging a greater use of public transport and alternatively fuelled vehicles accessing the airport
- **Funding Commitments:** A Sustainable Transport Fund using drop-off and parking revenue to support public transport and sustainable access projects
- **Collaboration and Working with Partners:** Transport operators and authorities as part of an integrated network

# Surface Access – 2025-26 Key Initiatives

- Manchester Airport annual Transport Forum meeting and Rail Roundtable Events
- Supported Network Rail's successful business case to secure investment for the lengthening of platforms at the Airport rail station
- Collaborated with TfGM to welcome the Bee Network to the Airport
- Delivery of schemes supported by the Sustainable Transport Fund
- Master planning activity for the Ground Transport Interchange
- Marketing and promotion of the Airport's public transport services
- A Strategic Highway Plan looking at the Airport's main access roads
- Work to develop the Airport's active travel networks

# Just a moment more



# Next Steps

- Your feedback and conversations today will inform our updated Surface Access Strategy
- We look forward to your input throughout the day
- We will continue to support our stakeholder working groups focusing on rail, bus & coach, and active travel strategies - to hear more about the work of the forums as they move forward together reach out to us at [mantransportforum@magairports.com](mailto:mantransportforum@magairports.com)
- You will hear more about the initiatives proposed for delivery this year throughout the morning, but do feel free to chat to us at break time or lunch if you have any questions too
- Enjoy the collaboration experience – thank you to all forum attendees for making time to join us today

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