## **GARDEN TOWN** & SUSTAINABLE TRAVEL

How people move around Harlow is key to the success of the Garden Town, allowing housing and employment growth to be achieved.

We want to make sure that this growth results in improvements and Getting Around in the Garden Town sets out ways of supporting safe and sustainable travel choices for Harlow's new and existing communities.

We can help make a better Harlow through new growth by:

- Providing local facilities to reduce the need to travel
- Investing in safe and attractive infrastructure for walking, cycling and public transport
- Providing travel choices that support healthy lifestyles
- Ensuring that we can adapt to new and innovative forms of transport in the future

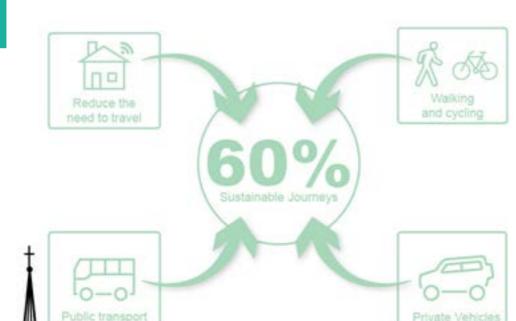
We won't make a better Harlow by increasing road space and highway capacity for cars because:

- New roads often means new traffic and vehicle congestion shifts from elsewhere
- We would rather invest money in facilities, services and neighbourhoods for people

## **GARDEN TOWN OBJECTIVES**

Prioritising local journeys based on the following hierarchy of importance:

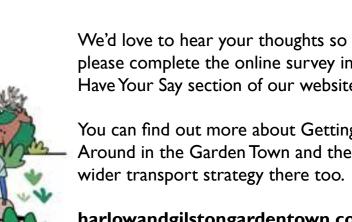
- Reduce the need to travel
- Walking and cycling journeys
- Public transport journeys
- Journeys by private car will be least preferable



60% of all journeys across the new Garden Town communities will be made by active and sustainable modes.

**GARDENTOWN OPPORTUNITIES** 

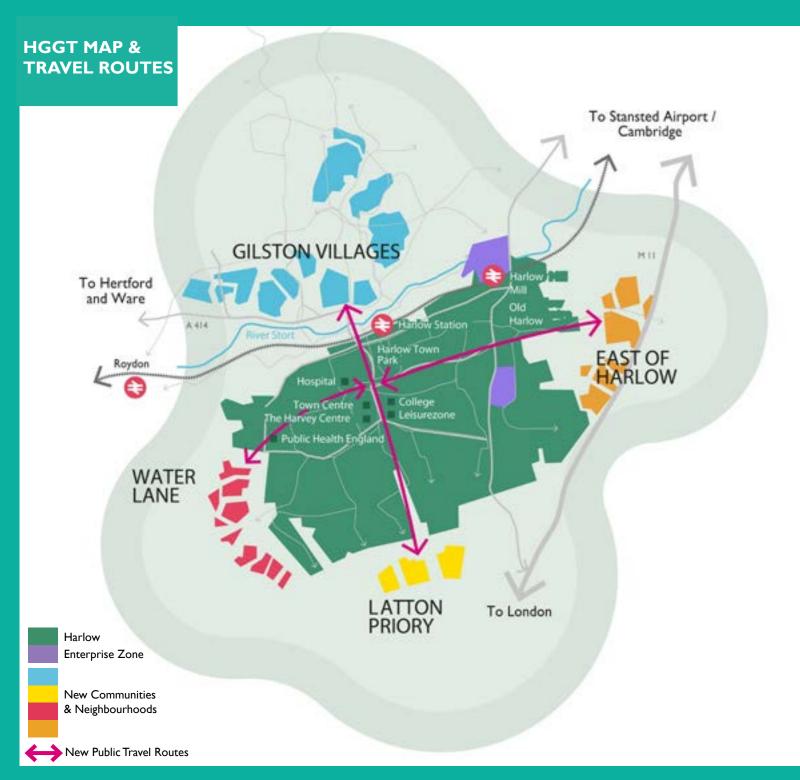
- Better Digital broadband and 5G to support more home working in Harlow & Gilston
- Attractive and direct walking and cycling routes along with new public transport routes with links connecting new communities
- Provision of rapid and reliable services across the new public transport routes
- More direct, frequent and integrated bus services to a range of destinations
- Introduce more bus priority measures to help avoid delays and congestion
- **Improve sustainable routes** from the town centre to the railway stations
- Infrastructure **investment** such as Junction 7A of the MII and a second River Stort crossing



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You can find out more about Getting Around in the Garden Town and the wider transport strategy there too.

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The new public travel routes are dedicated spaces, either along the existing highway or via newly created roads.

In certain locations, the new routes will be for buses only with provision for walking and cycling while promoting healthy and active travel.

Allows buses to avoid congestion at junctions and have priority over other traffic.

Routes used by buses will provide frequent services across the Garden Town.

Will be fully integrated with the existing or any new network of bus services in the town.

Will be used by modern, high quality, low emission buses.

Will link to hubs in the existing town and in new developed areas, providing a range of services and facilities.



- North to South route
- Will link Gilston in East Herts with Harlow Town Railway Station, the town centre and Latton Priory to the south
- East to West route, starting close to the new Junction 7a of the MII
- Runs to the town centre and through to Pinnacles and the new developments at Water Lane













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