

Mobility as a Service in the West Midlands

Who are we?



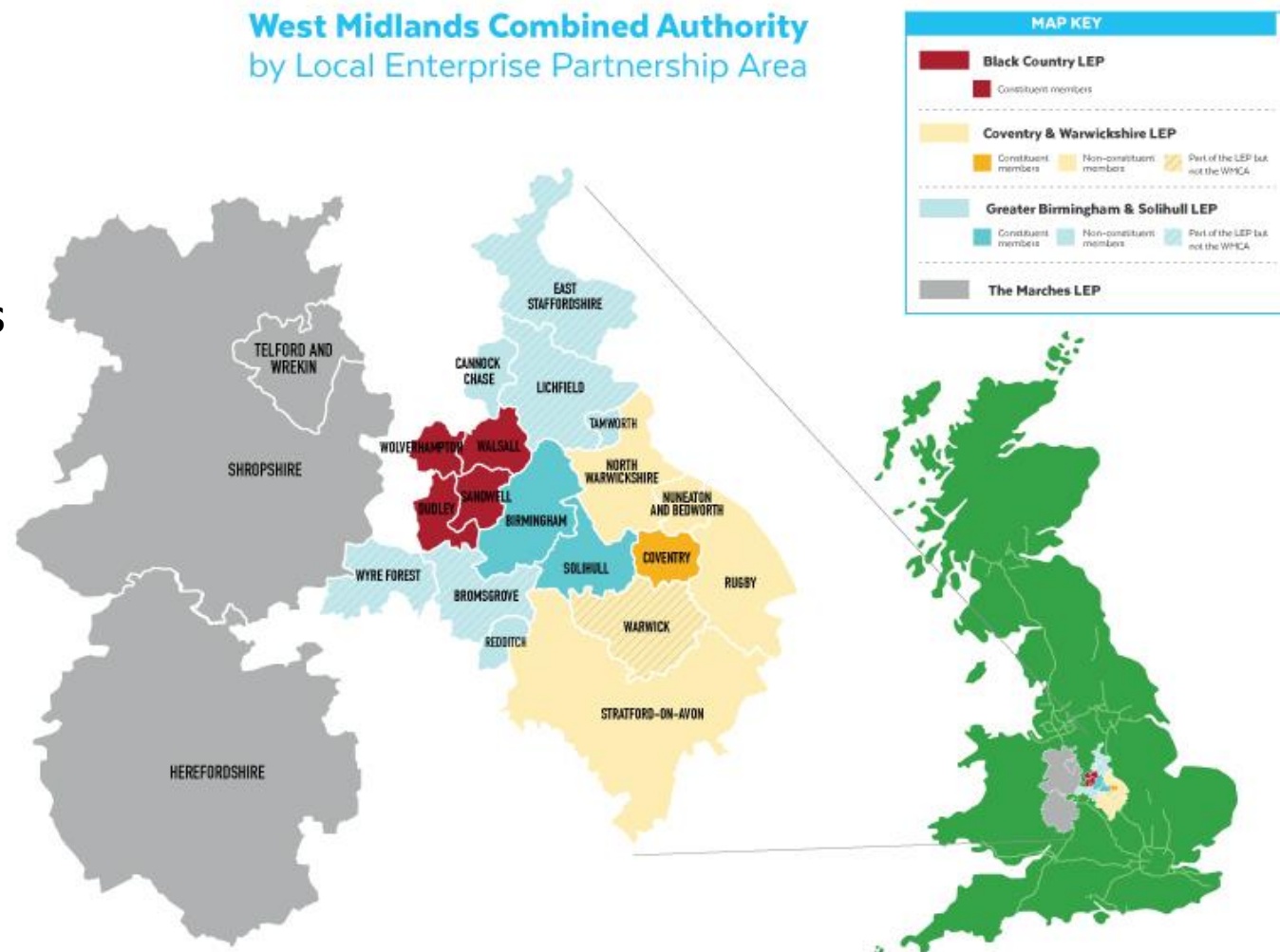
The **West Midlands Combined Authority (WMCA)** works to improve transport, economic development, regeneration, employment, housing and skills and to deliver public sector reform.



Transport for West Midlands (TfWM) is responsible for transport infrastructure and public transport services in the West Midlands Metropolitan Area

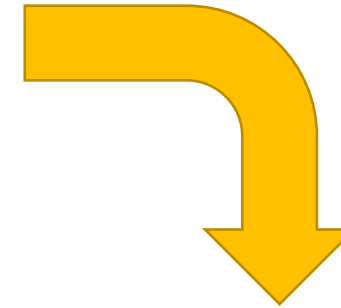
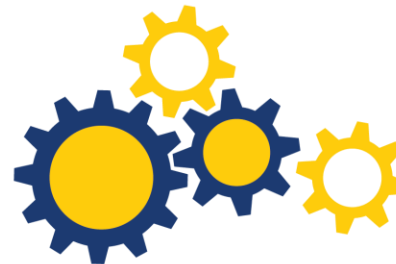
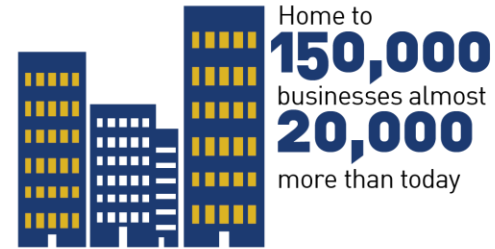
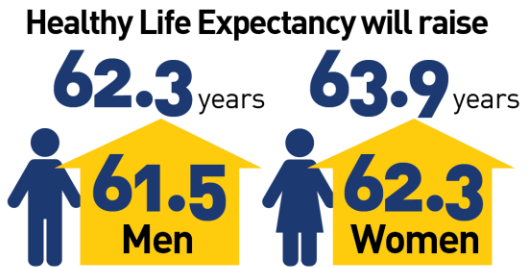


West Midlands Combined Authority by Local Enterprise Partnership Area

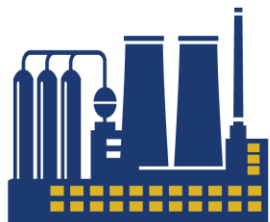
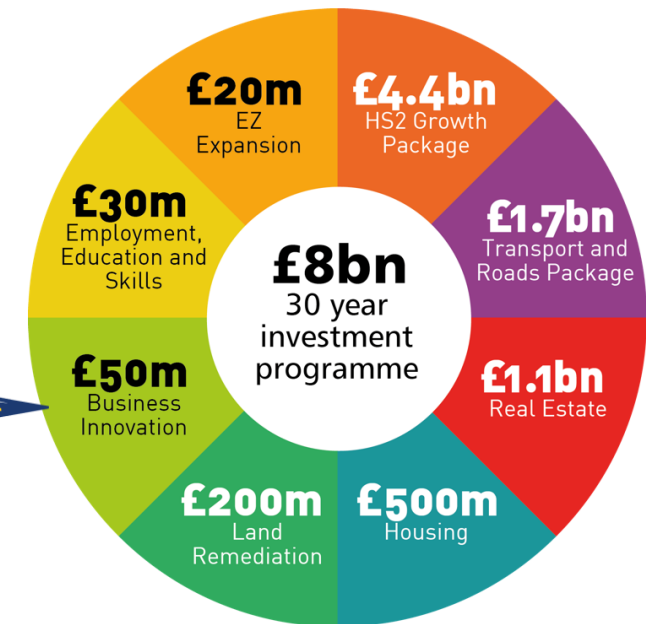


What challenges do we face?

DELIVERING THE VISION BY 2030 – THE FIGURES



£8bn INVESTMENT PACKAGE



An extra
1,600ha
of brownfield land, for first class employment land of national significance

Current
3.9 billion
deficit between taxes raised and public expenditure in the area eliminated



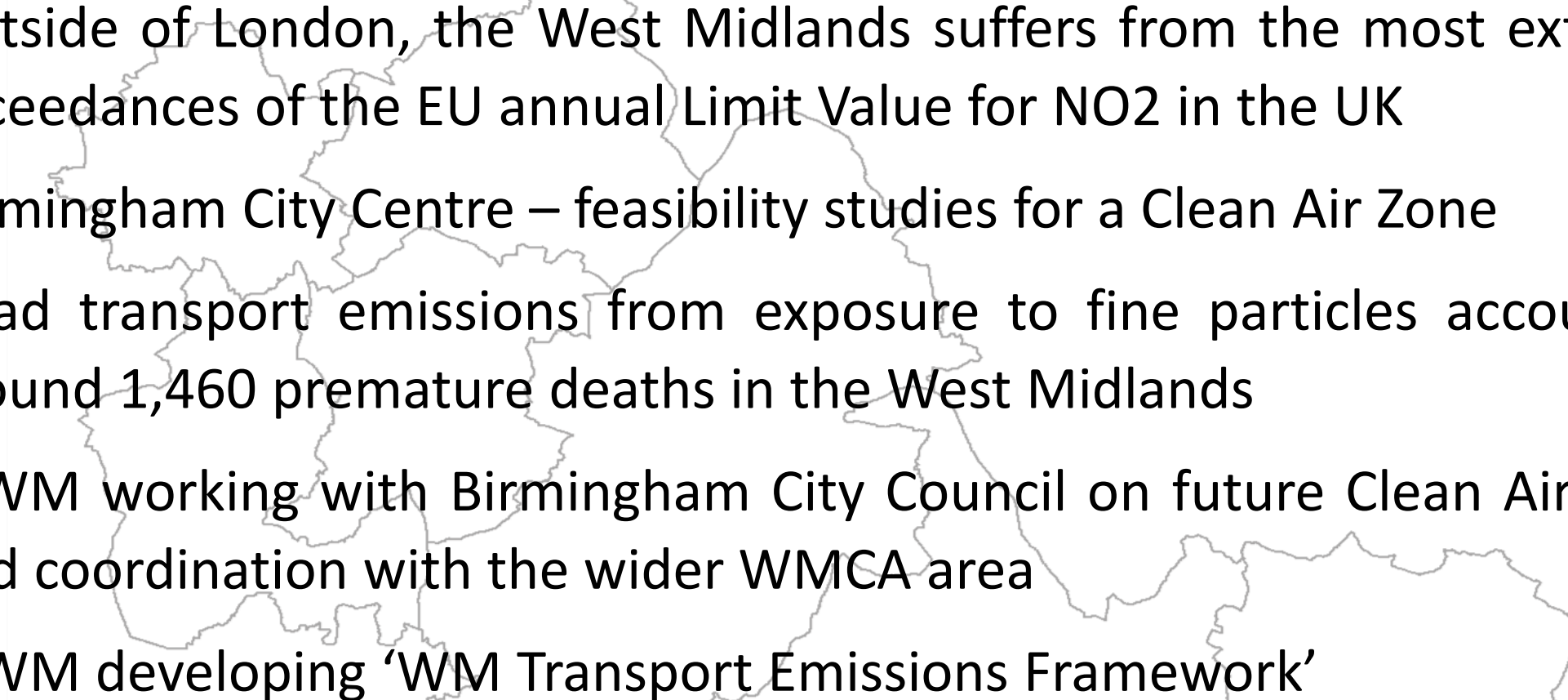
Rail travel to London **49 minutes**



Accommodating growth

- Our population is forecast to grow by 444,000 people by 2035
- Size of a Bristol, Liverpool, or Nottingham onto our area
- Number of new homes which will need to be built to help accommodate this growth over 20 years is in the order of 165,000
- An important key infrastructure challenge we face is to ensure the effective and reliable operation of the Strategic Highway Network in the West Midlands
- Need to move goods and people around and freight is of key importance to our economy

Clean air

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- Outside of London, the West Midlands suffers from the most extensive exceedances of the EU annual Limit Value for NO₂ in the UK
 - Birmingham City Centre – feasibility studies for a Clean Air Zone
 - Road transport emissions from exposure to fine particles account for around 1,460 premature deaths in the West Midlands
 - TfWM working with Birmingham City Council on future Clean Air Zones and coordination with the wider WMCA area
 - TfWM developing ‘WM Transport Emissions Framework’

What do people say?



Public transport

“It takes me from where I don’t want to start to where I don’t want to go.”



The car

“Too much traffic on the road and the cost of motoring and parking seems to be getting more expensive all the time.”

Can MaaS help?

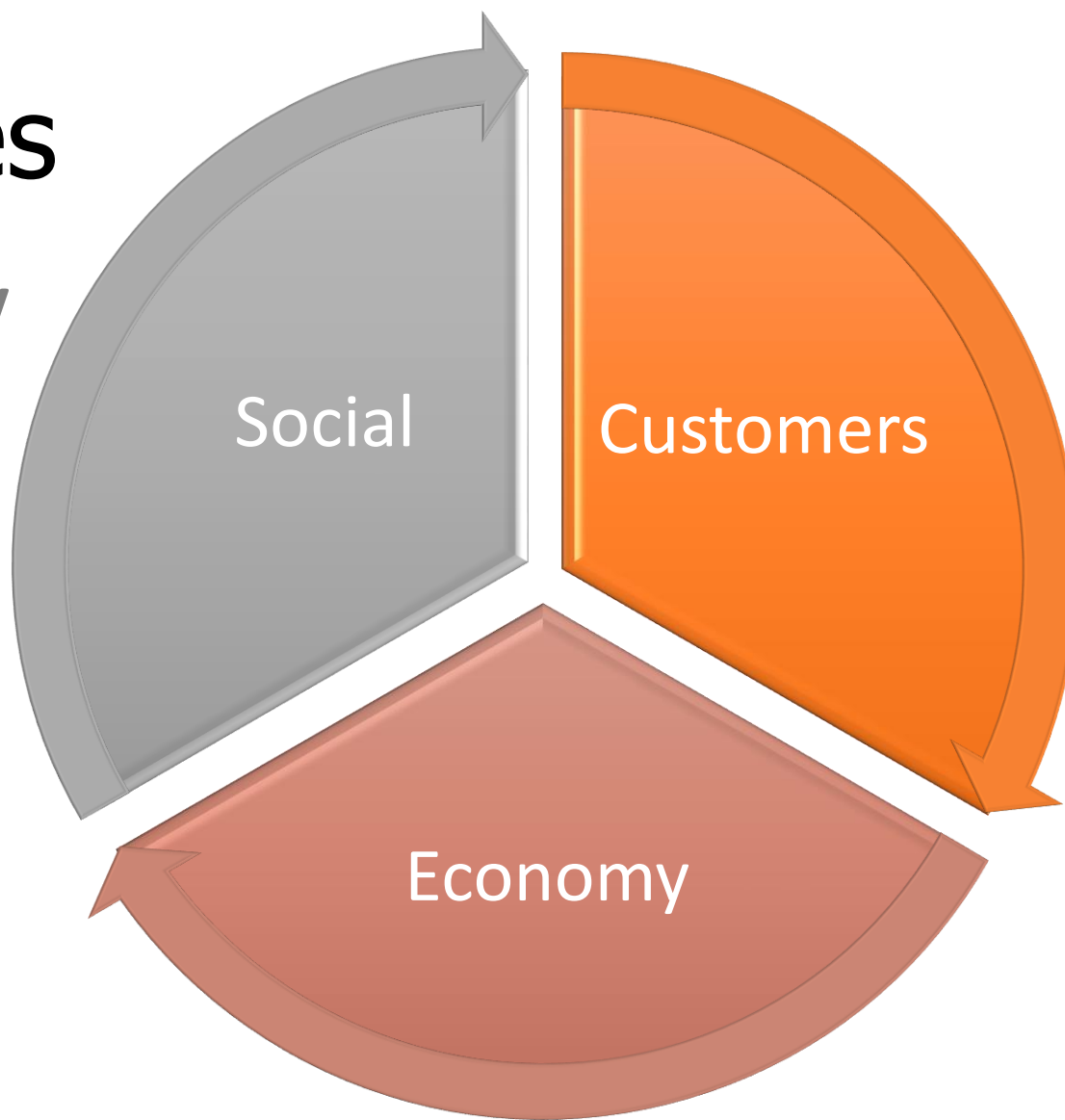
We think it can so we,

- established a MaaS strategy and gained political support for a pilot,
- sought to create a private sector opportunity which we have done,
- leveraged our excellent relationships with operators and Authorities,
- wanted to learn quickly,
- didn't want to commit public funding

So we established a opportunity where we facilitate and learn as we go but do not provide any funding for the service.

Opportunities

- Supports Policy goals
- Economic growth
- Job creation
- More reliable transport
- Better data



- Personalised, easy to use service removing hassle
- 'Best-price'
- Efficient use of time
- Access to all modes
- Easy subscription and payment

- Efficient use of transport networks
- New business opportunities
- Operators gain revenue.

What is Mobility as a Service

The BIG question
Can Mobility as a Service be better than owning your own car?



All
transport
on one
easy app

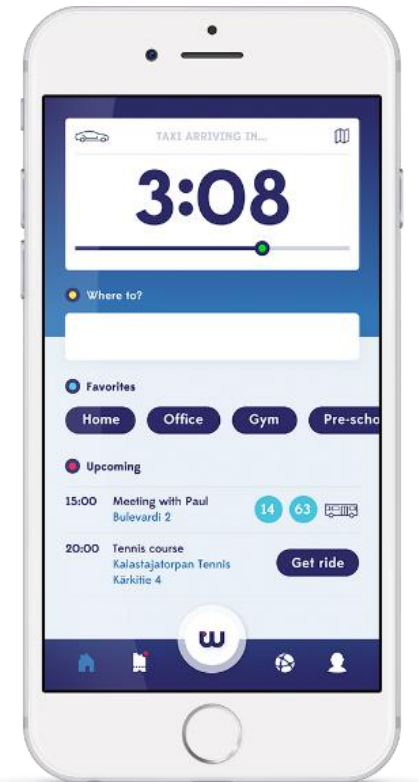
Planning

Transaction









Payment

Managed
User
Experience

Personal
Service



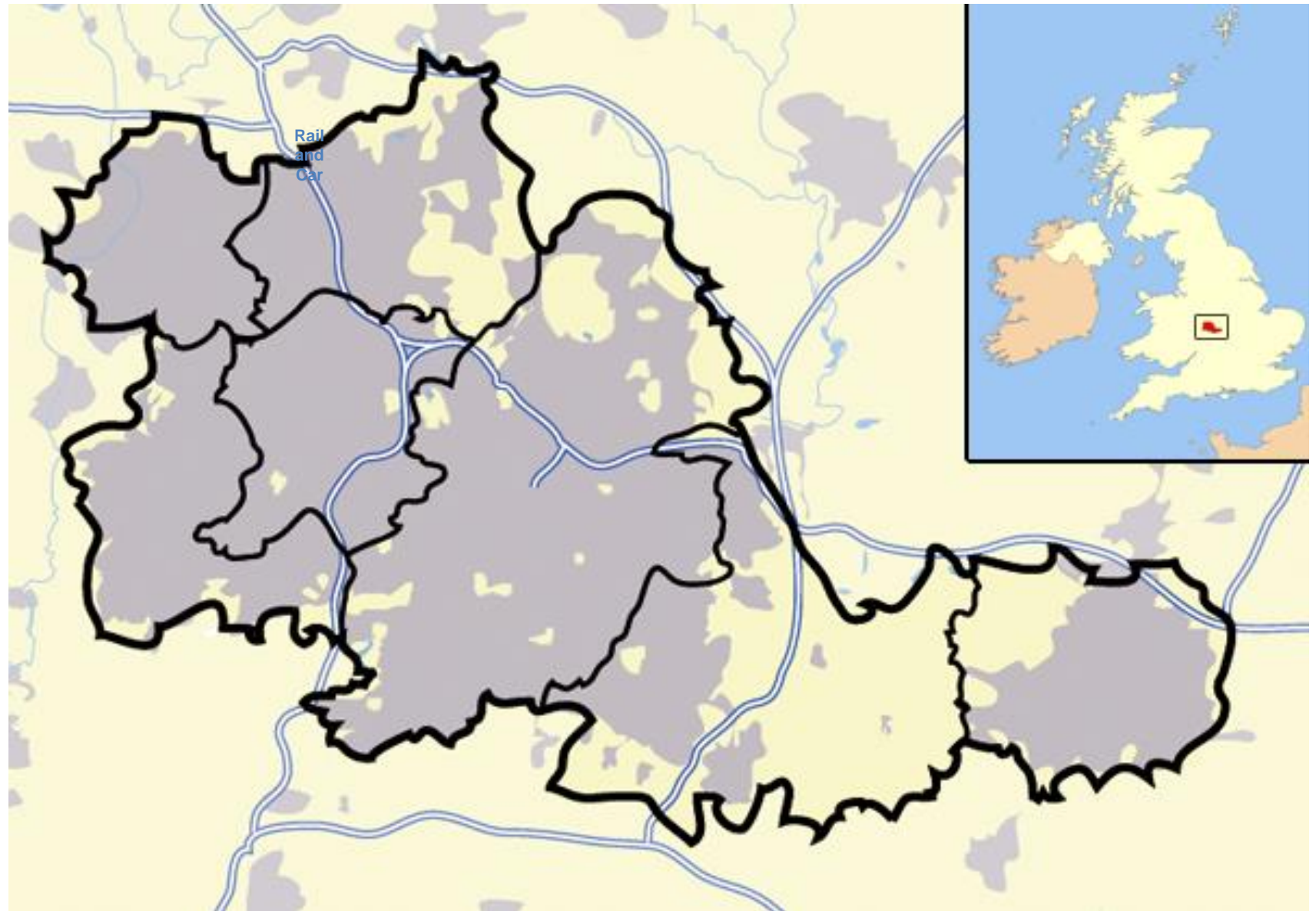
What is a MaaS package?

Light	Medium	Premium	Pay-as-you-go
1.000 Whim points	5.500 Whim points	8.000 Whim points	Try Whim without commitment and upgrade whenever you like.
Use your Whim points as you like, for example:	Use your Whim points as you like, for example:	Use your Whim points as you like, for example:	We get you to your destination using your preferred mode of transport, letting you pay as you go – all in one app!
 +  Taxi Local public transport	 +  +  Taxi Local public transport Car rental	 +  +  Taxi Local public transport Car rental	

Initial Reach



Mode	Reach
Bus	Regional
Metro	Regional
Rail	National
Car hire	National
Car trips	National
Cycle	Regional/national



Suppliers Commercial Model

A commercial initiative requiring **little or no public sector investment**.



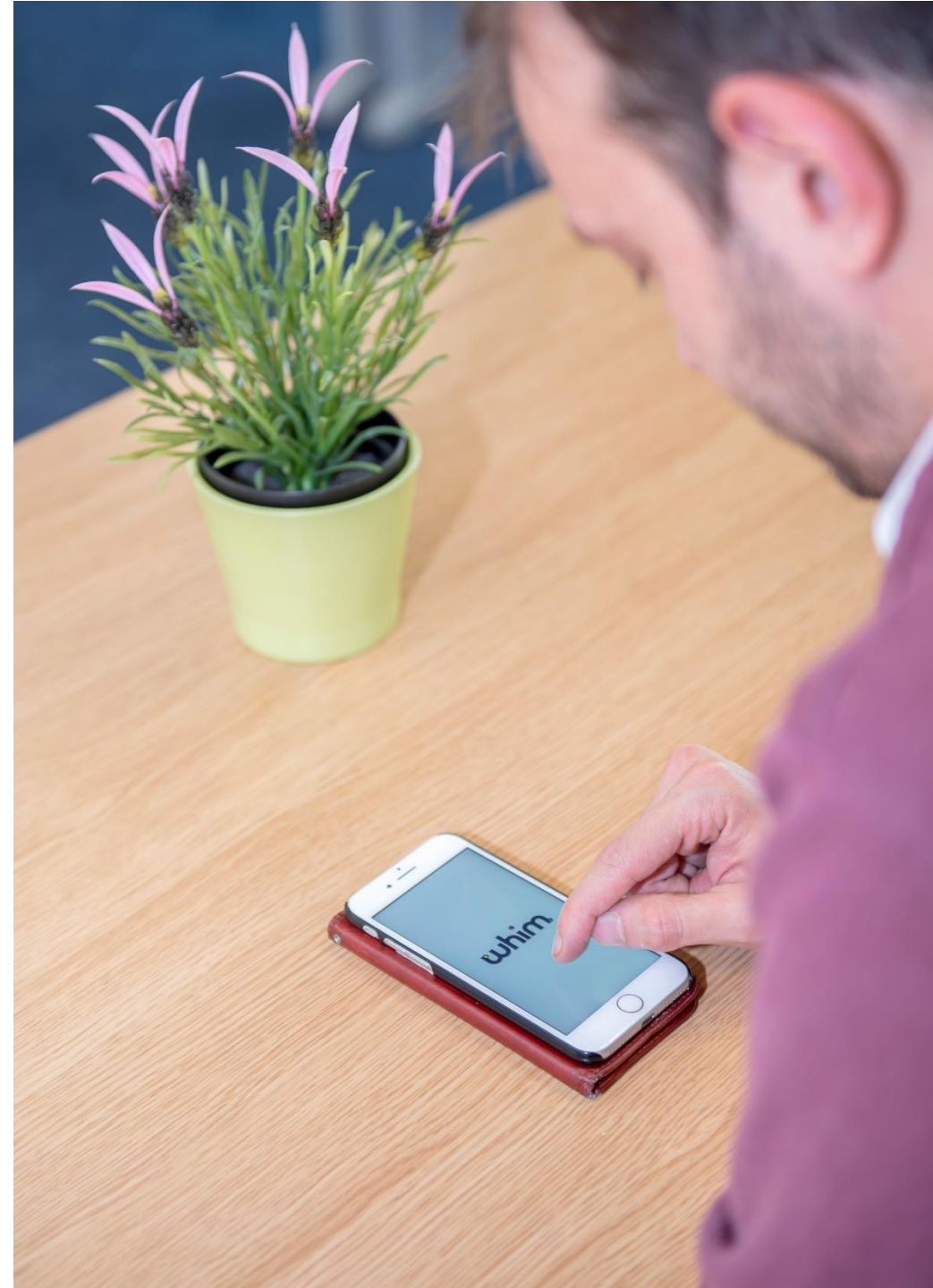
What interests MaaS customers?

- Price
- Time spent travelling and on certain modes
- Convenience (when where and how you wish) and on your smartphone
- Environmentally friendly
- Reliability and consistency
- Quality service – if you don't like it you won't use it again

Where are we now

- **Brought together a commercial partnership**
- **Signed an MoU and agreed to run a MaaS in the West Midlands**
- **Not provided any public sector funding**
- **Integrated public and private transport services**
- **Attracting interest from new transport providers**
- **Using Whim live with trusted users**

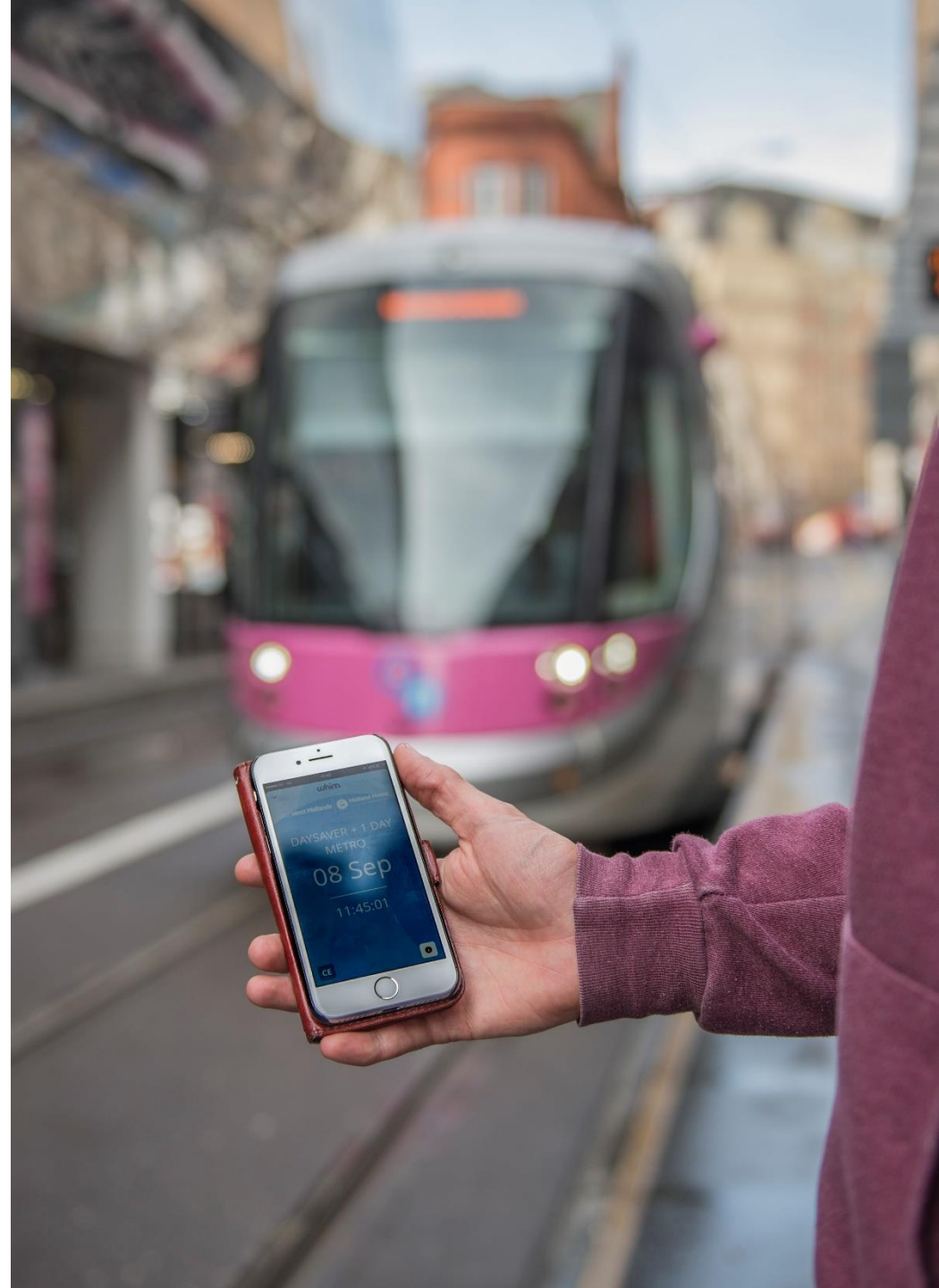
Craig is one of our live testers



Whim can be
used on the bus
as a visual ticket
across the
West Midlands



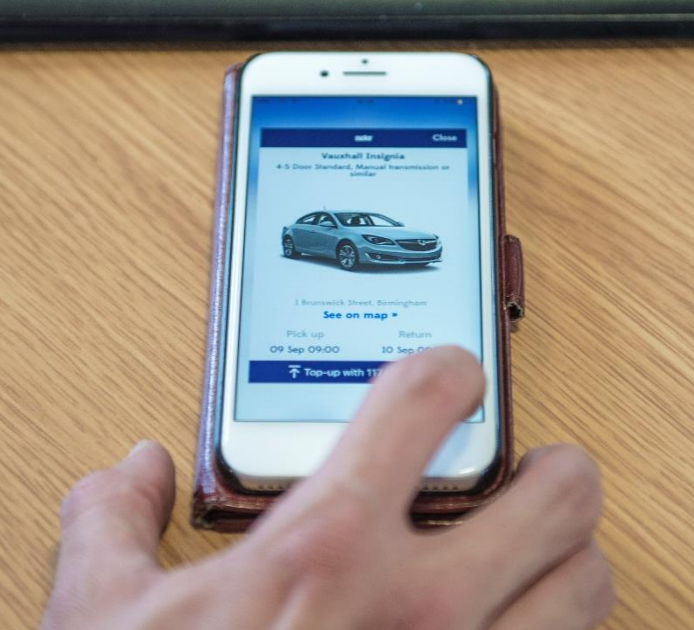
It can also be
used on the tram





To call a taxi

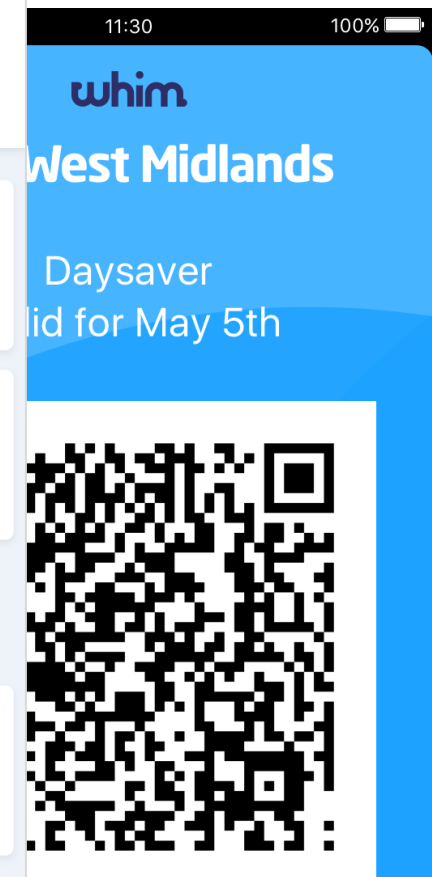
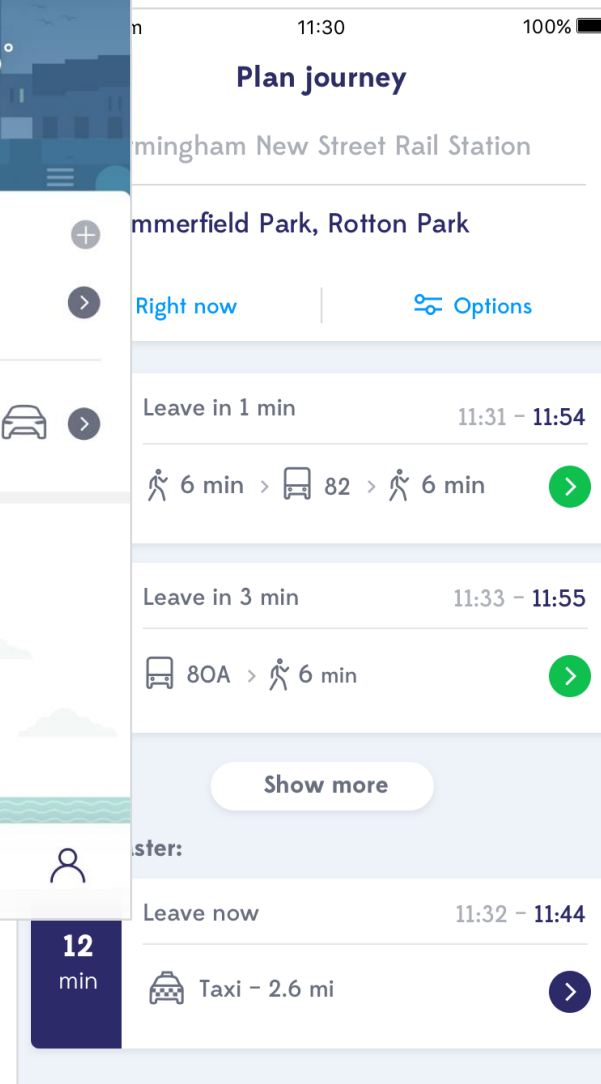
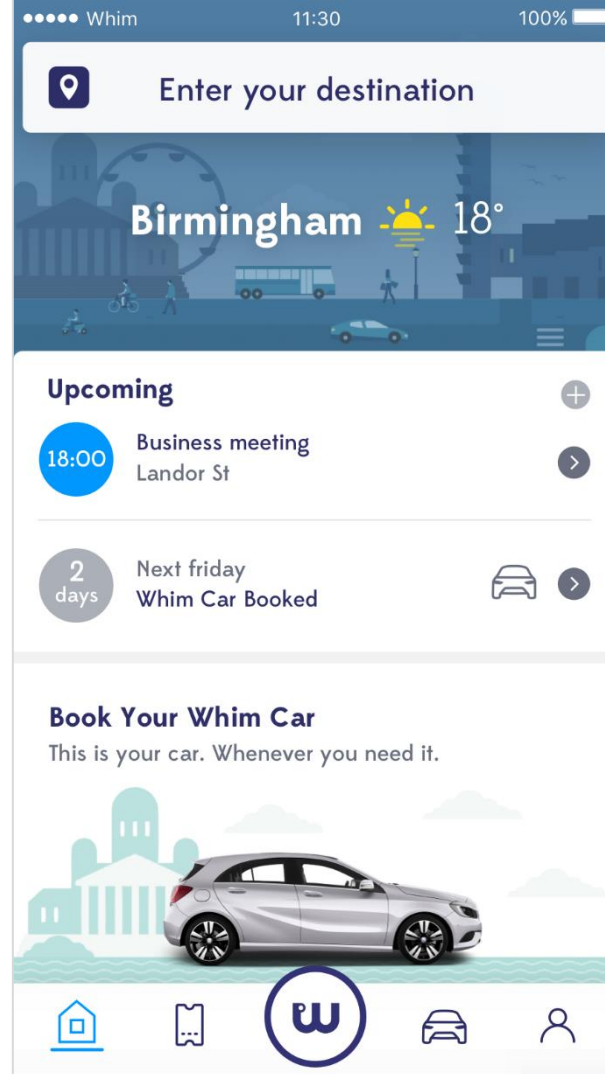




Or hire
a car



Whim has many features and we are just starting to explore them



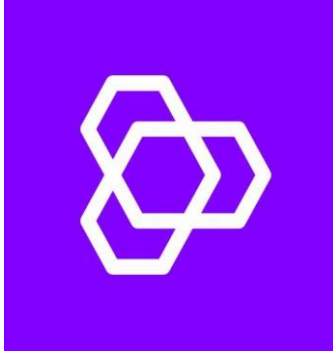
Side effects of MaaS

- Interest from other MaaS providers
- Interest from new innovative transport services wanting to come and “play” in the West Midlands
- Influencing the services provided today – for example mobile ticketing

Mobility as a Service hype or opportunity?
...we'll let you know

TravelSpirit collaboration

An open collaboration between independent stakeholders, creating a platform for them to deliver Mobility as a Service solutions, enabled by open source licensing and open development, anchored in a public fiduciary entity.



Mission:

- ☐ Community of practice for MaaS.
- ☐ Open source, open and portable data and open development.
- ☐ To signal and encourage all our work will be open source.
- ☐ Seek to enable downstream commercial deployment.
- ☐ TravelSpirit remain a not-for-profit community.

MaaS open maturity model

Level 1:
Legacy closed
systems

Level 2:
Internally open,
using APIs

Level 3:
Sharing some
own APIs and/or
source code

Level 4:
Contribution to
community APIs
and

Level 5:
Advocate for
open source and
APIs

