

The logo consists of the words "TRANSFORMING" and "ROTHERHAM" in a bold, sans-serif font. The letters are filled with a pattern of diagonal stripes in shades of green and brown. The text is centered within a white rectangular area, which is enclosed by a thick, dark blue border.

TRANSFORMING ROTHERHAM

**IPSC External Funding Workshop
November 2021**

Future High Street Fund

The Council received confirmation in December 2020 that the Future High Street Fund bid had been successful, with an offer made of over £12m. This will be matched by the Council's contribution of over £16m. The funding bid was confirmed in May 2021 which will enable the Council to deliver on several key projects, including:

- Safe and Smart Streets - High quality public realm works (£419K)
- Riverside Gardens (pictured), a playful green space connecting Forge Island with the heart of the town providing recreational space for residents and visitors (£2.552m)
- The Markets Complex redevelopment, delivering an innovative space for enterprise, learning and culture, with a pioneering new flexible shared space for markets, a library and community hub, which is expected to start spring 2022 (£8.909m)
- The expansion and development of children's literacy charity, Grimm and Co., on Ship Hill (£780K)



Getting Building Fund

In August 2020, the Government announced £900m of funding across the country for the delivery of shovel-ready infrastructure projects, agreed with mayors and Local Enterprise Partnerships to boost economic growth, and fuel local recovery and jobs.

From a regional allocation of £33.6m Rotherham secured £6.686m towards the delivery of

- A new business centre (Century II) at Manvers (£2m)
- Capital works in the town centre masterplan new public realm works, acquisitions and demolitions at Riverside Precinct. (£2.18m)
- Transport improvements at The Whins (Greasbrough) (£2.5m)



Towns Fund

The Rotherham Towns Fund covers three areas of the borough (Eastwood, the town centre and Templeborough). This investment will link with other funding and developments (e.g. Forge Island, the markets and town centre housing) in delivering a set of six projects that will drive forward the long-term regeneration of Rotherham town centre and the surrounding area:

- **Eastwood (£2.85m)** – provision of larger houses and better connections to the Tram-Train and rail network
- **Riverside Residential Quarter (£3.39m)** – building on the existing developments on Sheffield Road and at Westgate Chambers
- **Guest and Chrimes Heritage (£4.5m)** – bringing the building back into use
- **Leisure and Cultural Quarter (£4.28m)** – linking the town centre and Forge Island, and providing further residential units
- **Templeborough Business Zone (£6.56m)** – linking into opportunities of new development and the proposed Tram-Train Station
- **Mainline Station (£10m)** – providing Rotherham with direct services to destinations such as Leeds and Manchester

Confirmation of an award of £31.6m was received from government in June 2021. The next stage will require full business cases for each project to be prepared over the coming months which will include wide ranging community involvement. A communications strategy to support the project is also currently in development.

The programme is funded by DLUHC and must be completed by March 2026.

Levelling Up Fund

Rotherham Council submitted three bids totalling almost £60 million. An announcement was made on the 27th October confirming two bids were successful as follows:

- Leisure Economy and Skills – £19.9m Major Attractions & Skills
 - Magna = £1.8m
 - Wentworth Woodhouse = £4.6m
 - Rother Valley Country Park = £5.5m
 - Thrybergh Country Park = £2.5m
 - Maltby Grammar School = £4.5m
 - Gullivers Skills Village = £1m
- Rotherham Town Centre - £19.5m Leisure & Cultural and Riverside Quarters
 - Canal Barrier = £2.4m
 - Strategic Acquisitions = £4.1m
 - Riverside Walk North = £1.8m
 - Riverside Walk South = £852k
 - Riverside Gardens = £3.4m
 - Water Lane Public Realm = £1.6m
 - TCF Upgrades = £3.4m

A further bid focussed on Dinnington and Wath and totalling £20m was unsuccessful. Feedback is awaited.

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Local Growth Fund

Nationally devolved funding to each MCA/LEP area

- Flood Defence works at Forge Island (£2.8m)

Additional MCA 2020-21 budgeted funding allocations from the local growth fund (LGF)

- Emergency Gainshare (revenue) (£1.085m)
- Strategic Acquisition (£3m)
- Century II Business Centre (match to GBF) (£1M)
- Towns Fund Accelerator (£350K)



Active Travel

The Council has secured money from the Department for Transport's Transforming Cities Fund by Sheffield City Region, to deliver a number of schemes across the borough, including:

- **Frederick Street walking and cycling route** - Improved layout and landscaping will allow it to be used by cyclists and pedestrians, making journeys in and around the town centre by bike quicker and easier
- **Forge Island footbridge** - The existing footbridge across the River Don will be replaced with a new pedestrian bridge. This will provide a high-quality walking route between the town centre, train station and the Forge Island leisure development
- **Rotherham to Tinsley walking and cycling route** - Proposed improvements on Westgate and the A6178 Sheffield Road will make walking and cycling between Tinsley and the town centre – and its public transport links – easier and more pleasant.
- **Magna Tram-Train Stop** - Proposed new stop to connect Templeborough to Rotherham town centre and increase catchment from Sheffield.

