

# **Your City, Your Views Map**

## User guide



## What is Your City, Your Views?

TfGM, Manchester City Council and Salford City Council are holding a conversation to help shape the future of city centre transport. Your City, Your Views is an opportunity for you to have your say on what happens, via an online map. You can view the city centre boundary, neighbouring areas and planned key interventions on the map, alongside a range of transport information.

The map will be open for comments between 8<sup>th</sup> August and 17<sup>th</sup> October 2018.

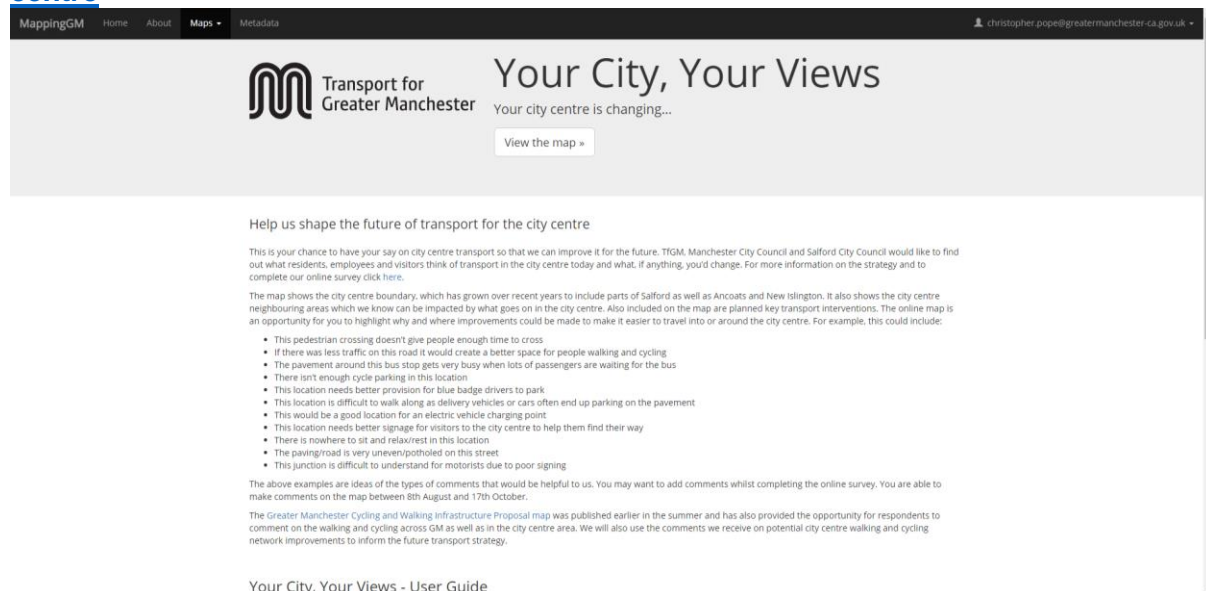
## How can I access the map?

To access the website, visit <https://mappinggm.org.uk/your-city-centre>. Alternatively, from the [MappingGM homepage](#), click on the 'Maps' button at the top, and choose 'Your City, Your Views' from the dropdown.

The homepage will provide you with a range of information about the consultation, including contact details for further information.

To access the map and make a contribution, click the 'View the map' link at the top of the screen. In order to access the map, you will need to confirm that you have viewed the terms and conditions of use. Once you open the map, the default view is the city centre and surrounding wards.

## Image 1: Your City, Your Views map homepage: <https://mappinggm.org.uk/your-city-centre>



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**Transport for Greater Manchester** Your City, Your Views  
Your city centre is changing...  
[View the map »](#)

Help us shape the future of transport for the city centre

This is your chance to have your say on city centre transport so that we can improve it for the future. TfGM, Manchester City Council and Salford City Council would like to find out what residents, employees and visitors think of transport in the city centre today and what, if anything, you'd change. For more information on the strategy and to complete our online survey click [here](#).

The map shows the city centre boundary, which has grown over recent years to include parts of Salford as well as Ancoats and New Islington. It also shows the city centre neighbouring areas which we know can be impacted by what goes on in the city centre. Also included on the map are planned key transport interventions. The online map is an opportunity for you to highlight why and where improvements could be made to make it easier to travel into or around the city centre. For example, this could include:

- This pedestrian crossing doesn't give people enough time to cross
- If there was less traffic on this road it would create a better space for people walking and cycling
- The pavement around this bus stop gets very busy when lots of passengers are waiting for the bus
- There isn't enough cycle parking in this location
- This location needs better provision for blue badge drivers to park
- This location is difficult to walk along as delivery vehicles or cars often end up parking on the pavement
- This would be a good location for an electric vehicle charging point
- This location needs better signage for visitors to the city centre to help them find their way
- There is nowhere to sit and relax/rest in this location
- The paving/road is very uneven/potholed on this street
- This junction is difficult to understand for motorists due to poor signing






The above examples are ideas of the types of comments that would be helpful to us. You may want to add comments whilst completing the online survey. You are able to make comments on the map between 8th August and 17th October.

The Greater Manchester Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Proposal map was published earlier in the summer and has also provided the opportunity for respondents to comment on the walking and cycling across GM as well as in the city centre area. We will also use the comments we receive on potential city centre walking and cycling network improvements to inform the future transport strategy.

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## What do the different buttons and tools on the map mean?

A range of tools are provided to help you with navigating the map and the information on it. These are detailed below. As you hover over most of our tools, a small title or description will appear.

Tool image	What does this tool do?
	Allows for you to zoom in (+), zoom out (-) and zoom to an area. To choose an area to zoom to, click on the third button, and then hold down the left mouse button and drag to cover the area chosen. Alternatively, a mouse scroll will also zoom in and out.
	If you have zoomed in too far, and want to zoom out to see all of Greater Manchester, or if you are not centred on Greater Manchester, this button will change the view to cover all of Greater Manchester.
	<p>When clicking this button, a search box will open allowing for you to search for place names, addresses or postcodes. It does not work for searches of things, e.g. 'post office' will not return any results. Choose from one of the provided options and the map will zoom to and centre on that location. If only one search result is available, the map will automatically zoom to and centre on that location before you have finished typing in the location.</p> <p><b>PLEASE NOTE:</b> this searches for places, not specific planned investments or comments.</p>
	This button allows for two options: to print the current on-screen view; or to save the current on-screen view as a PDF (this functionality works better in Chrome and Firefox, for example).
	<p>This tool allows you to make a comment directly onto the map. You can do so by clicking on this button, then clicking anywhere on the map where you would like to make a comment.</p> <p>As soon as you click on the map, a comment box appears. You only need to type in your comment, and then click 'Submit comment'. Your comment will be submitted to our central register.</p> <p>If you have clicked the map, but do not wish to make a comment, or have made a mistake and want to return to the map, click 'Cancel comment' and your comment will not be logged.</p>

## Tool image

## What does this tool do?



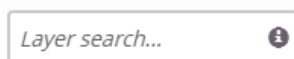
If you have started to write a comment, but then realised that you did not want to submit a comment here, you can go back to the comment submission button on the left hand side of the page. The submission button will have changed to a trashcan. Clicking this will delete the comment you have made thus far.

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This is a measurement tool. As you hover over the tool button, the option to create a new measurement appears. Once you have clicked this, the cursor will change to a hand with a small red dot. To measure a distance, choose the start and end point using a left mouse click. On each click, the latitude / longitude and easting / northing of the place will be presented on the left hand side of the screen. On the second click, a path distance in metres will be presented. On the third click - and all subsequent clicks - a path distance and a total shape area in both square metres and hectares is presented. To cancel the measurement and start again, click the 'Cancel' option. To finish the measurement, click 'Finish measurement'. A popup will then appear offering the options of centring on the area, or deleting the shape created.

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This tool is provided to allow you to search for potential layers, and is available in the top right hand side of the screen. As you begin typing a description or name of a layer, layer options will be presented below. Choosing an option adds this layer to the map, and shows where this layer is available in the 'Layers' tool.

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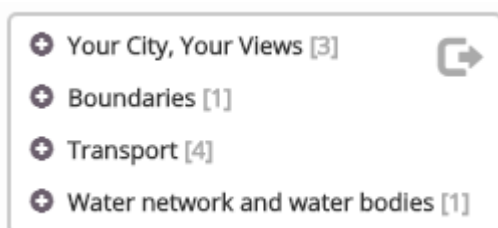


The layer selector tool is automatically turned on - as you open the map, the tool will be open. If it is not, this symbol will appear. To open the layer selector, click this button and a range of layers, or layer themes, will be presented.

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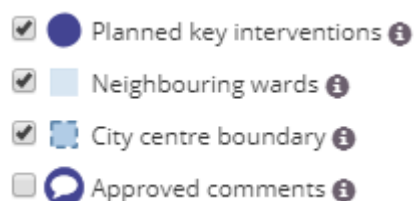
## What does this tool do?



The layer selector will normally open looking like this. The different data layers are available in broad thematic areas. The City Centre Transport Strategy data is available under the 'Your City, Your Views' theme.

To choose all data under this layer theme, click the bracketed number to the right hand side of the theme. If any layers within that theme are already turned on, a single click will turn all layers off, and a subsequent click will turn all layers on.

To expand the layer theme to see the layers within, either click on the name of the theme, or the small '+' to the left of the layer theme.



To select an individual layer – i.e. to turn it on or off – click on the tick box or the radial button to the left of the layer name. To find out more about the dataset, including a description and a link to the source data, click on the small 'i' button to the right of the layer name. Below the layer name is a legend, showing how that data layer will appear on the map.



To close the layer selector tool, click this button in the top right of the layer selector.

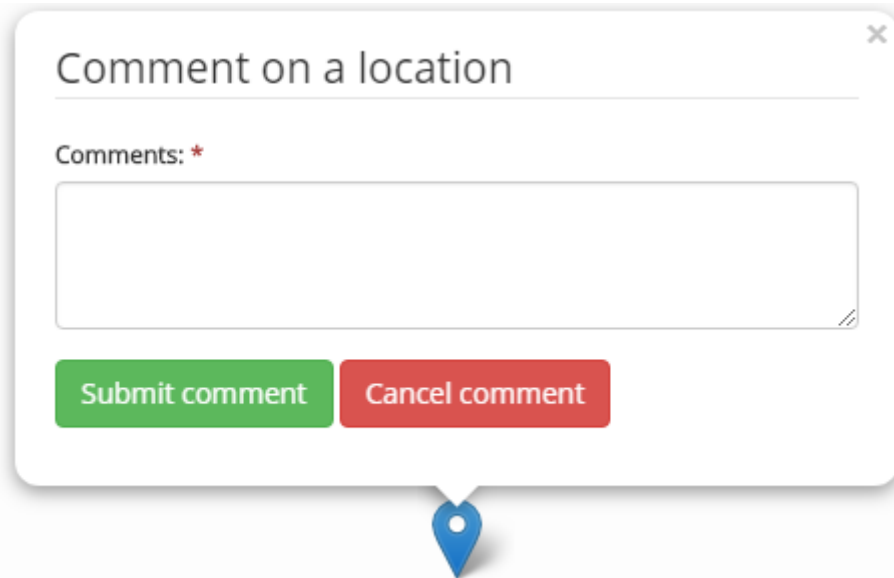


The information button is available at the side of every data layer. When you click this button, more information about the layer appears in a popup. This will include both a description of the dataset, and a link to sources, where possible.

## How can I leave a comment?

If you wish to leave a comment, you will need to use the comment button identified above. Click the comment button, then choose an area on the map where you would like to leave a comment.

In comparison to other consultations, we are not asking for your personal information (name, email address etc.), we are only interested in your comments on transport in the city centre. This is an opportunity for you to highlight why and where improvements could be made to make it easier to travel into or around the city centre.



Comment on a location

Comments: \*

Submit comment Cancel comment

## Example comments

Here are a few examples of the types of comments that would be helpful to us:

- This pedestrian crossing doesn't give people enough time to cross
- If there was less traffic on this road it would create a better space for people walking and cycling.
- The pavement around this bus stop gets very busy when lots of passengers are waiting for the bus.
- There isn't enough cycle parking in this location.
- This location needs better provision for blue badge drivers to park.
- This location is difficult to walk along as delivery vehicles or cars often end up parking on the pavement.
- This would be a good location for an electric vehicle charging point.
- This location needs better signage for visitors to the city centre to help them find their way.
- There is nowhere to sit and relax/rest in this location.
- The paving/road is very uneven/potholed on this street.
- This junction is difficult to understand for motorists due to poor signing.

In submitting your comment, ensure you are aware that we are not seeking personal information about you.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Once you have submitted a comment, you will not be able to make a direct change to it through the map. You will need to contact TfGM directly and let them know what your comment stated.

### **What happens to my comment once I have submitted it?**

TfGM will validate any comments received through the system, to remove any offensive or inappropriate comments. This process will only take account of the content of the comment only. Once the comments have been validated, they will be pushed live straight away.

As a result, once you have submitted your comments, they will not immediately appear on the website. If your comment is not visible on the website within a week of submission, please contact the Your City, Your Views team directly at [your.city@tfgm.com](mailto:your.city@tfgm.com).

### **How can I see my comment on the website?**

Once your comment has been validated and added to the map, you can view it by choosing the 'Approved comments' layer in the layer choice panel on the right hand side.

### **Where can I find out more information about Your City, Your Views, or suggest a change to the map?**

For more information on the map, including any questions you may have about the data or conversation, contact [your.city@tfgm.com](mailto:your.city@tfgm.com). Alternatively, find out more by visiting the [Your City, Your Views website](#) or [joining the conversation on Twitter](#).

### **I am having trouble viewing the map. What do I need to do?**

There may be a number of reasons why the map isn't working, including an issue with our networks or high demand and usage of the maps. You may wish to try refreshing your browser again.

If you are still having a technical issue in accessing the map, please contact [mapping@greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk](mailto:mapping@greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk).

### **I like MappingGM. What else is there?**

MappingGM is managed by the Greater Manchester Combined Authority, and hosted by Salford City Council.

It has been designed to provide mapped information about Greater Manchester to the public. We have a range of maps available, covering areas as diverse as planning, housing, infrastructure, socio-economics, demography, public services, ecology, transport, culture and heritage.

If you want to find out more, contact [mapping@greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk](mailto:mapping@greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk), [check out our Twitter feed](#), or [have a click around the MappingGM website](#).