

## Active travel timeline during COVID19

### Timeline

- 9th May: £2 billion announced for cycling and walking, of which £250 million was to form an emergency active travel fund
- 29th May: Indicative funding amounts released for local authorities for tranche one
- 5th June: Tranche one submission deadline
- 6th July: Tranche one funding received (8 weeks since the 9th May)
- 10th July: Invitation to bid for tranche two funding released – 4 week deadline for submitting bids.
- 28th July: Government releases vision document to increase cycling and walking levels
- 7th August: Tranche two bids to be submitted
- Still no outcome of this as of 21st September (almost 19 weeks since the 9th May and 11 weeks since bids invited for tranche two).

### 2. Swift action?

May 9<sup>th</sup> – Grant Shapps announcement on the £2 billion package

- So today (9 May 2020) I am [announcing a £2 billion package to put cycling and walking at the heart of our transport policy](#).
- To set out how we will deliver this, I will bring forward a national cycling plan for publication in early June (happened 28th July), in line with the statutory Cycling and Walking Investment Strategy to help double cycling and increase walking by 2025.
- The first stage, worth £250 million, is a series of swift, emergency interventions to make cycling and walking safer.
- Pop-up bike lanes. Wider pavements. Cycle and bus-only streets. All examples of what people will start to see more of.
- Accompanying the new money, we are today publishing fast-tracked statutory guidance, effective immediately, requiring councils in England to cater for



significantly-increased numbers of cyclists and pedestrians, and making it easier for them to create safer streets.

- What's more, over the next few months, we will set out further measures to make a 'once in a generation' change to the way people travel in Britain.