



Belfast

Developing a City of the Future

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Belfast region at a glance



Belfast population	345,418
Belfast region population	1.12 million
Population under 30 years of age	42%

Our vision for Belfast in 2035...



Belfast will be a city reimagined and resurgent. A great place to live and work for everyone.



Our Growth Ambitions ..

Our city is home
to an additional

66,000

people



Our economy
supports

46,000

additional jobs



There will be a

33%

**reduction in the life
expectancy gap**

between the most and least
deprived neighbourhoods



**Every
young
person leaving
school**

has a destination that
fulfils their potential



**Our carbon
emissions will
be reduced by**

80%



Enablers for the City



- ✓ **Climate Change Act** - framework for tackling climate change and roadmap to net zero emissions
- ✓ **Belfast Region City Deal** - unlocking £1 billion co-investment to boost the economy and deliver more and better jobs and help make the region a global investment destination.
- ✓ **Belfast Resilience Strategy** – transition Belfast to an inclusive, zero-emissions, climate resilient economy in a generation,



- ✓ **Belfast Local Development Plan** – sets out our aspirations for the future development of Belfast and policies to assess planning applications
- ✓ **A Bolder Vision for Belfast** – an ambitious blueprint for creating a more attractive, accessible, safe and vibrant city.



- ✓ **A Cultural Strategy for Belfast** – supporting and enhancing cultural offerings and fostering community engagement.

Game changers



Investing in
**Sustainable
Infrastructure &
transport**



Investing in
Tourism & Culture

Accelerating
City Centre Living



Investing in
Place-making



Greening the
economy



Belfast
Region
City Deal

Investing in
**Innovation and
Smart districts**



Climate action in Belfast

Cities helping lead the charge towards a net zero future.

Housing

- **45% emissions** from domestic housing sector

Targeted investment required if Belfast is to meet our net zero targets through retrofitting homes in Belfast to ensure more efficient energy usage, to reduce carbon emissions and energy demand.



Commercial buildings

- **20% emissions** from commercial buildings

Targeted investment required to retrofit over 2,500 commercial buildings if Belfast is to move towards its Net Zero targets.

Est. £450m-£935million



Low carbon materials

Surface Transport

Leading Innovation

CATAGEN E-Fuel
Energy Vector

CATAGEN



Power (hydrogen)

Maritime

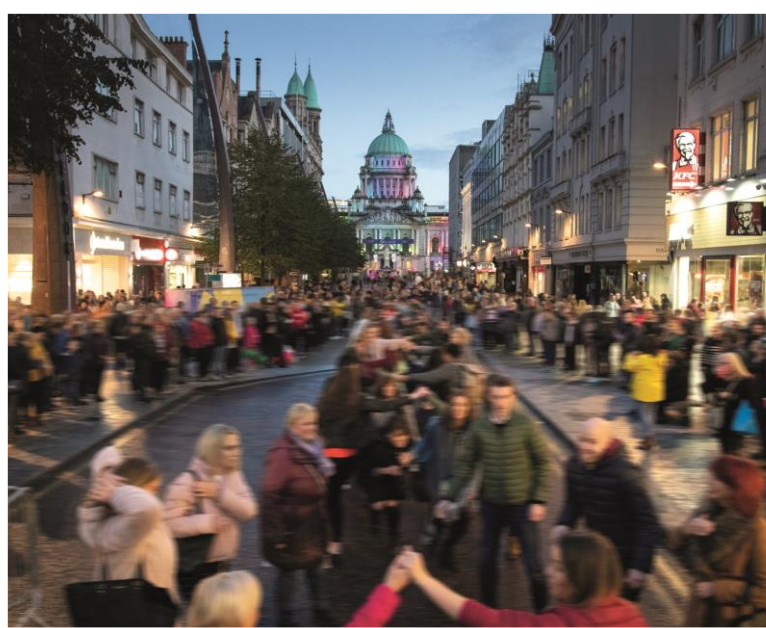


Innovation is in our DNA



Innovation District

Net Zero Tech Park
Knowledge City North



Smart District



Smart Port

Waterfront regeneration

Belfast



Accelerating City Centre Living

Ambition: Support a vibrant, liveable city centre and deliver 11,500 new homes in the city centre and Titanic Quarter.

Accelerating city centre living by:



Investing in
placemaking



Improving
connectivity



Enhanced
cultural
offering



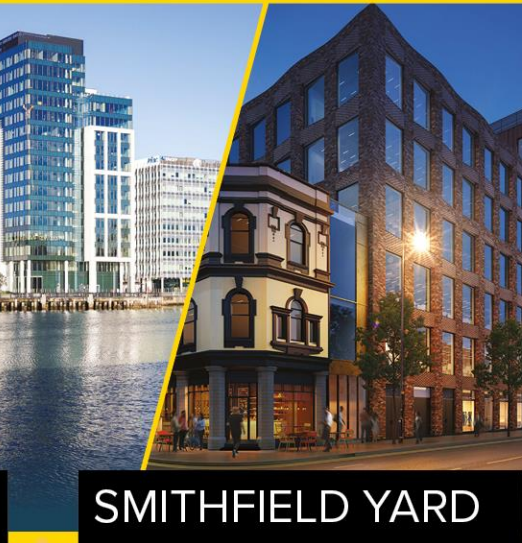
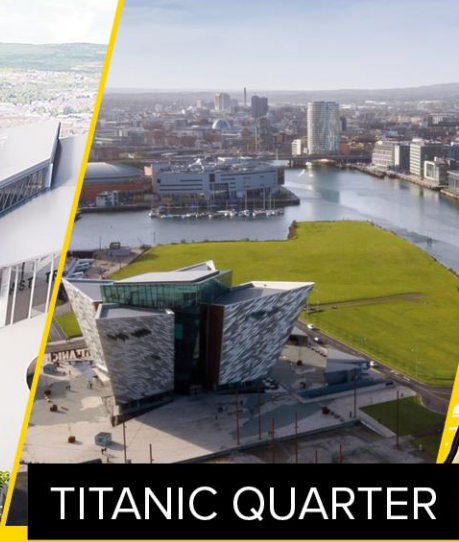
Community
& Social
Infrastructure



Mixed tenure
and multi-
generational
housing



Major developments



Belfast Region City Deal

Ambition: £1 billion investment to boost economy
Delivering more and better jobs by investing in:



High growth sectors



Innovation and digital capabilities



Tourism and regeneration



Connecting people to opportunity



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