



# Coventry Rail Investment Strategy

## Coventry Station Masterplan

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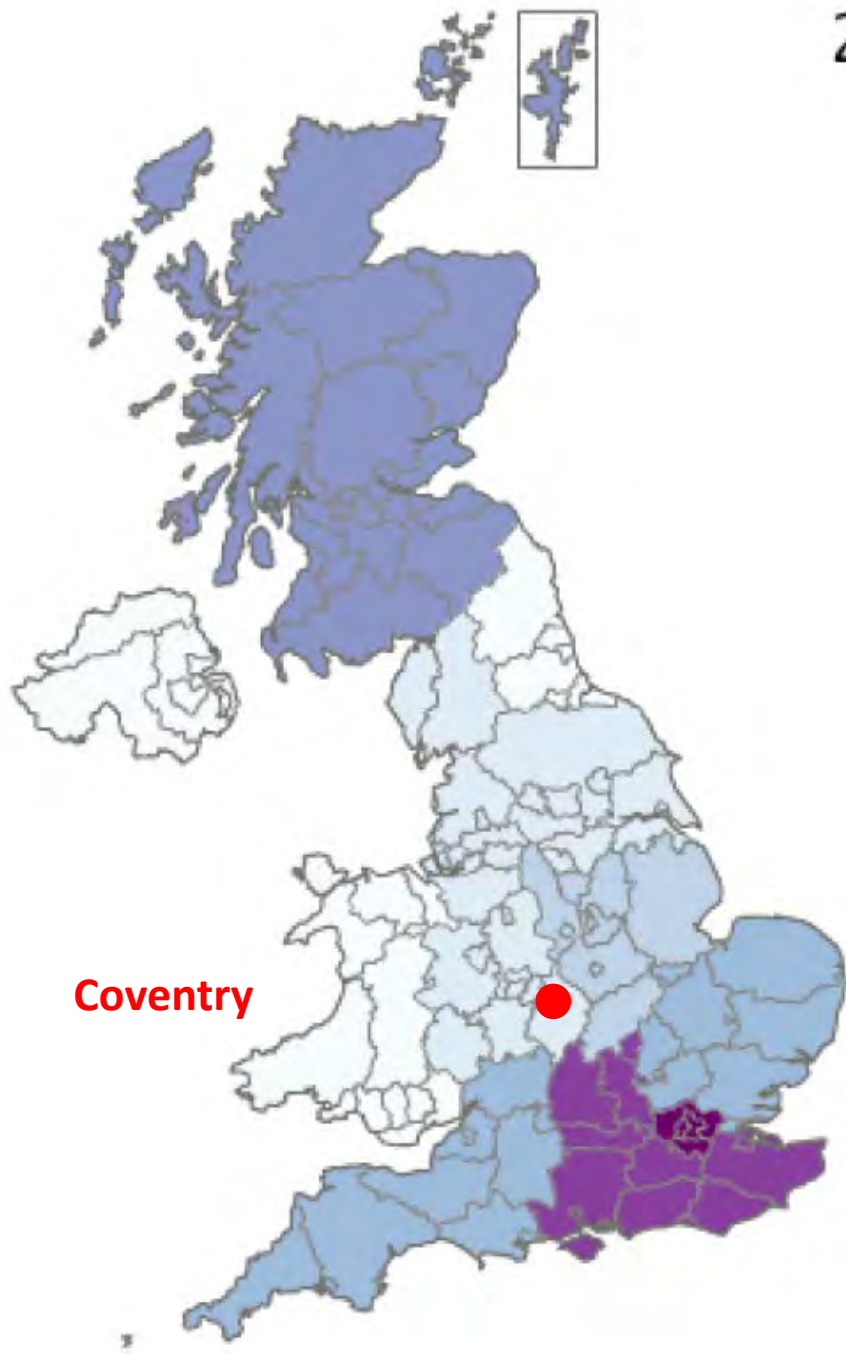
# Coventry

1. **Economy**
2. **Growth**
3. **Station**

# 1. Economy

2011

**GVA per head  
Change  
1997-2011**



ONS : 2011

**GVA uplift**

**New jobs**

**Committed jobs**

## **2. Growth**



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**UK Rail**  
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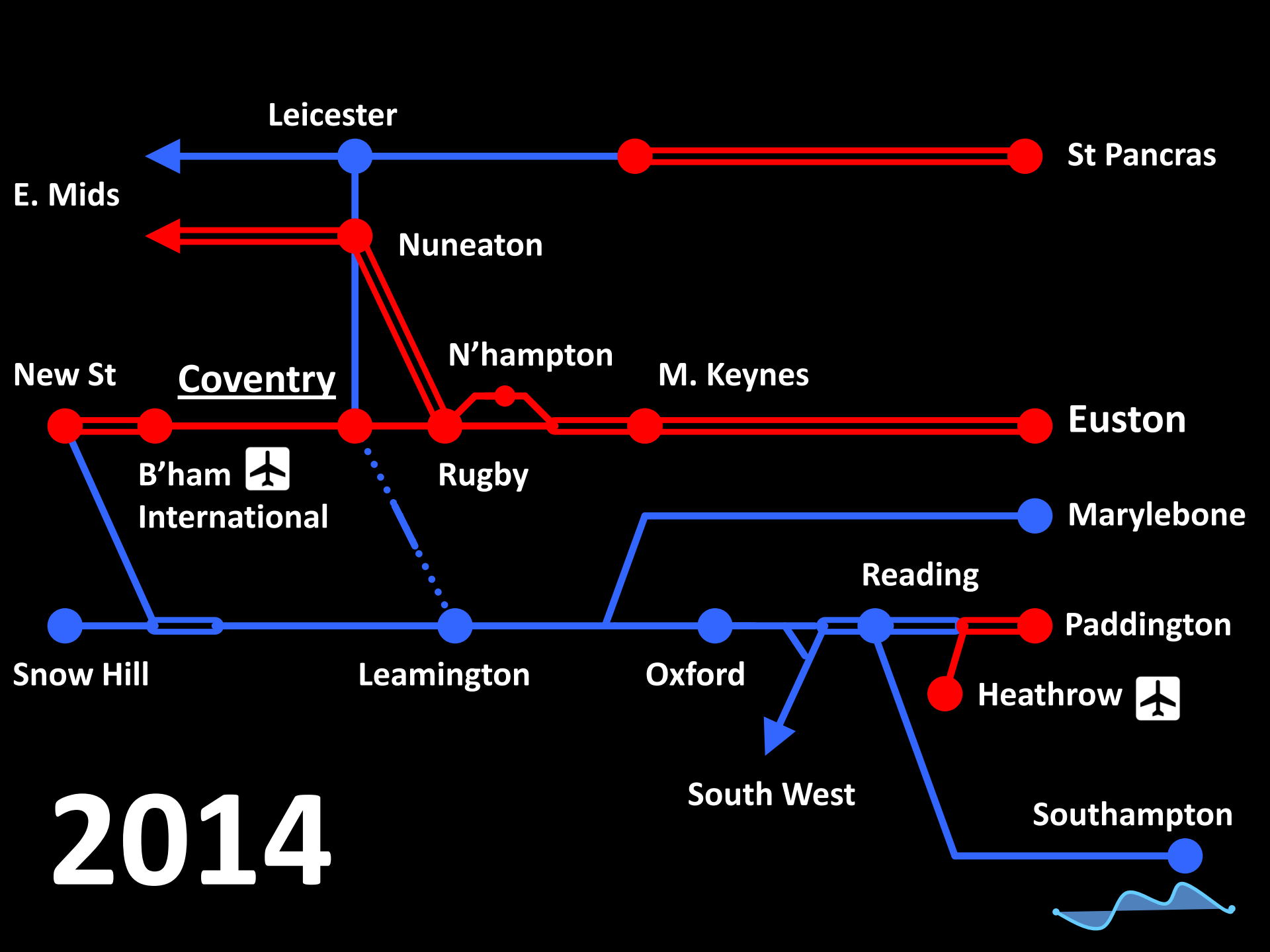


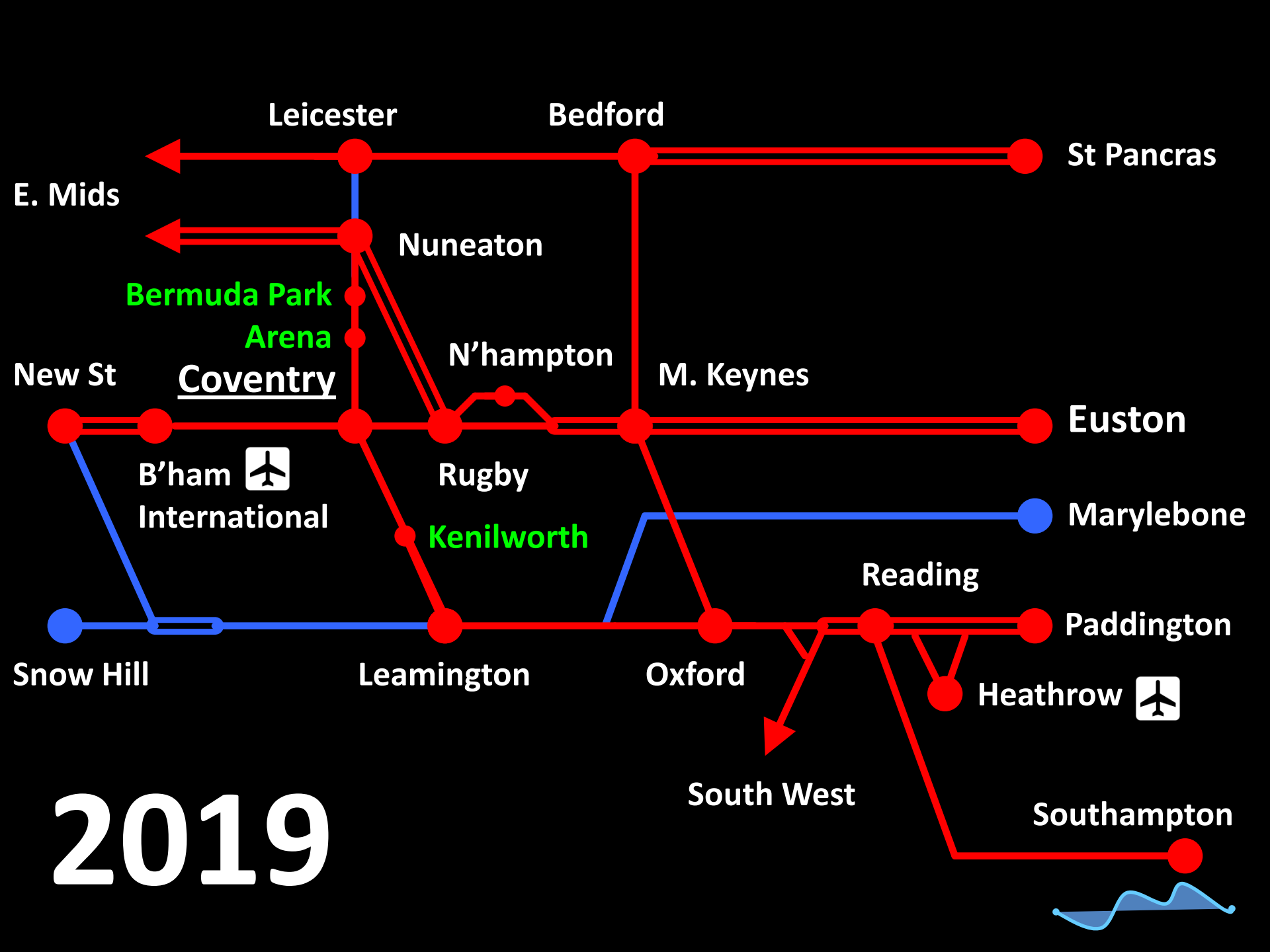
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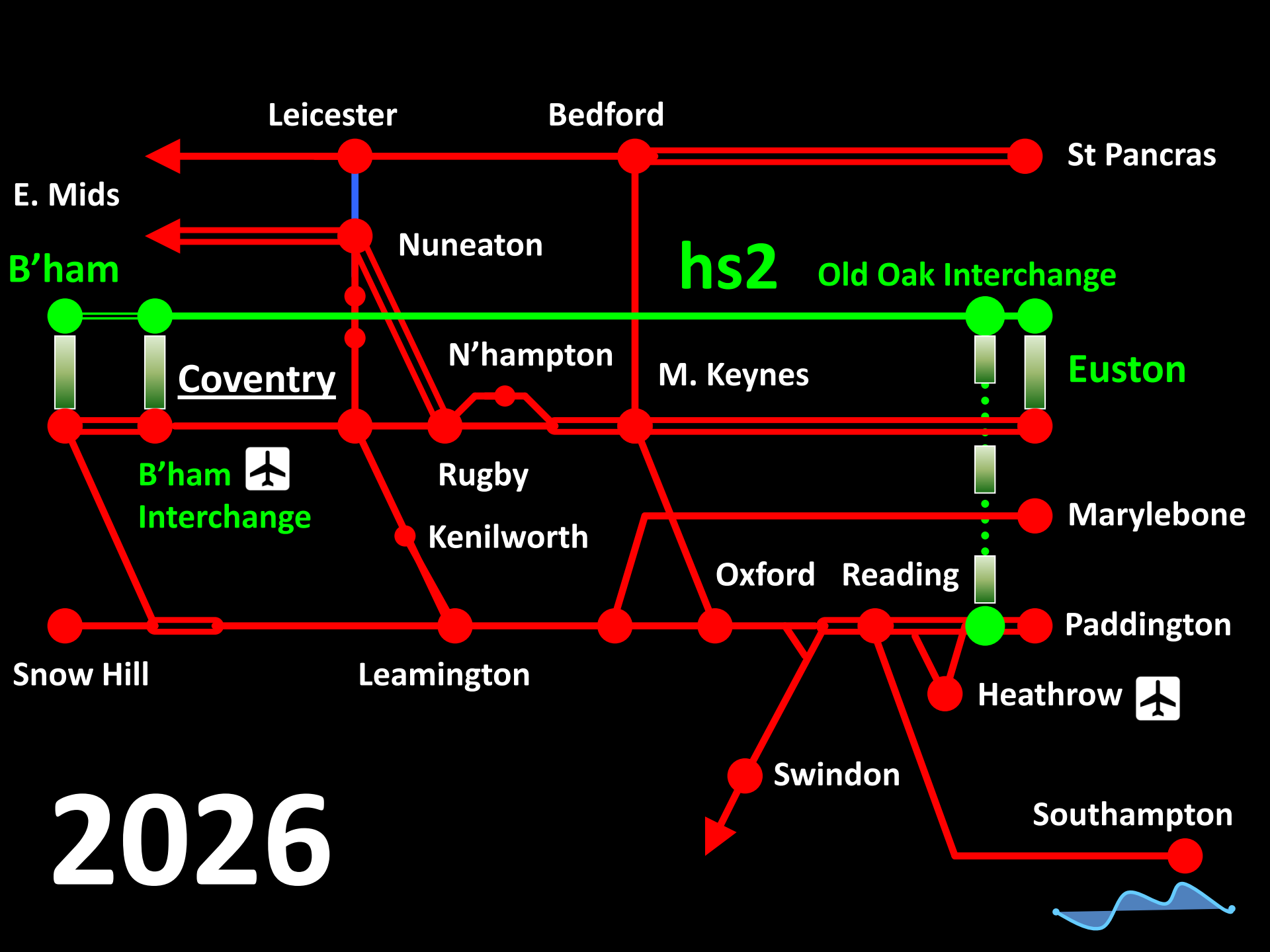


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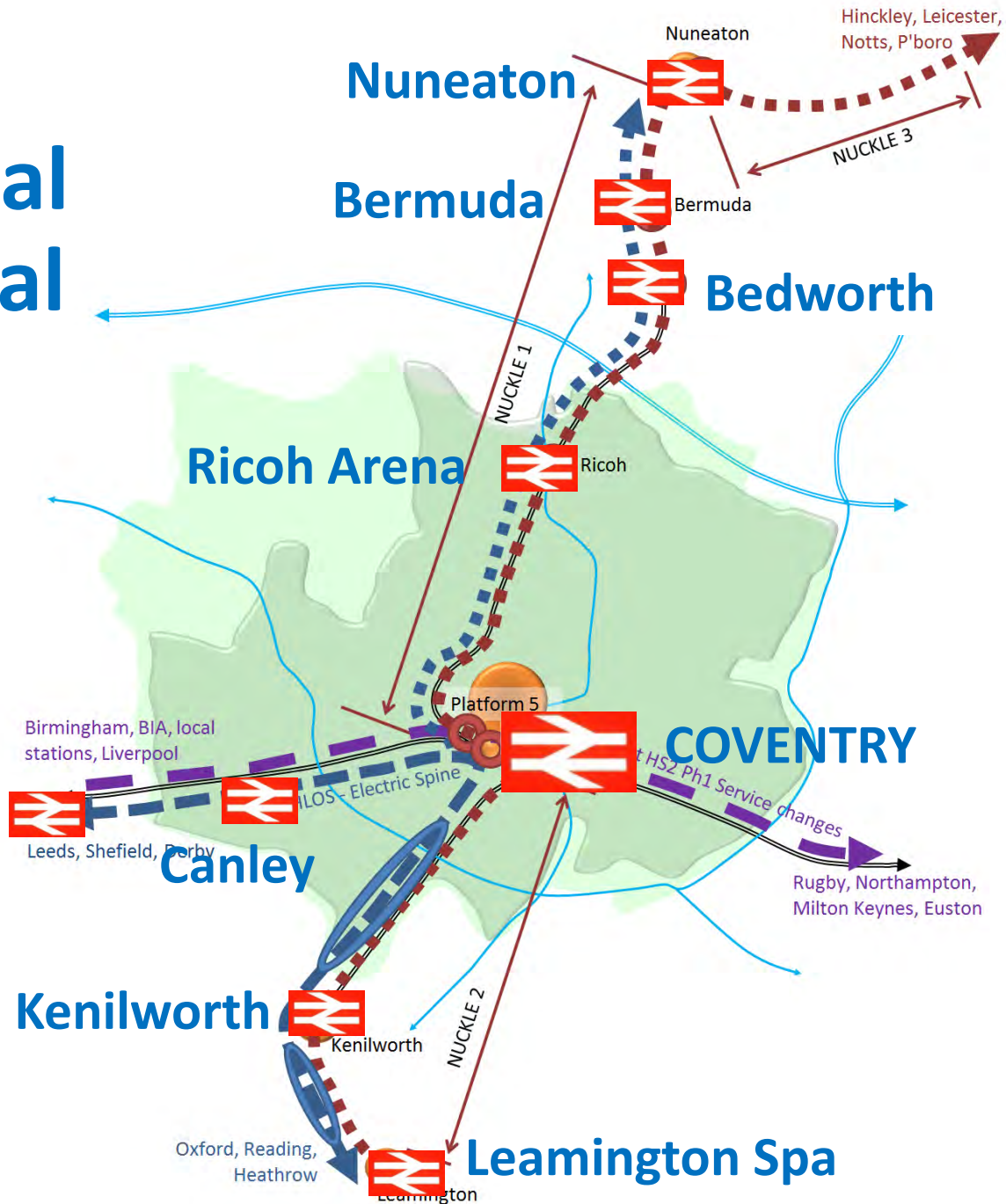






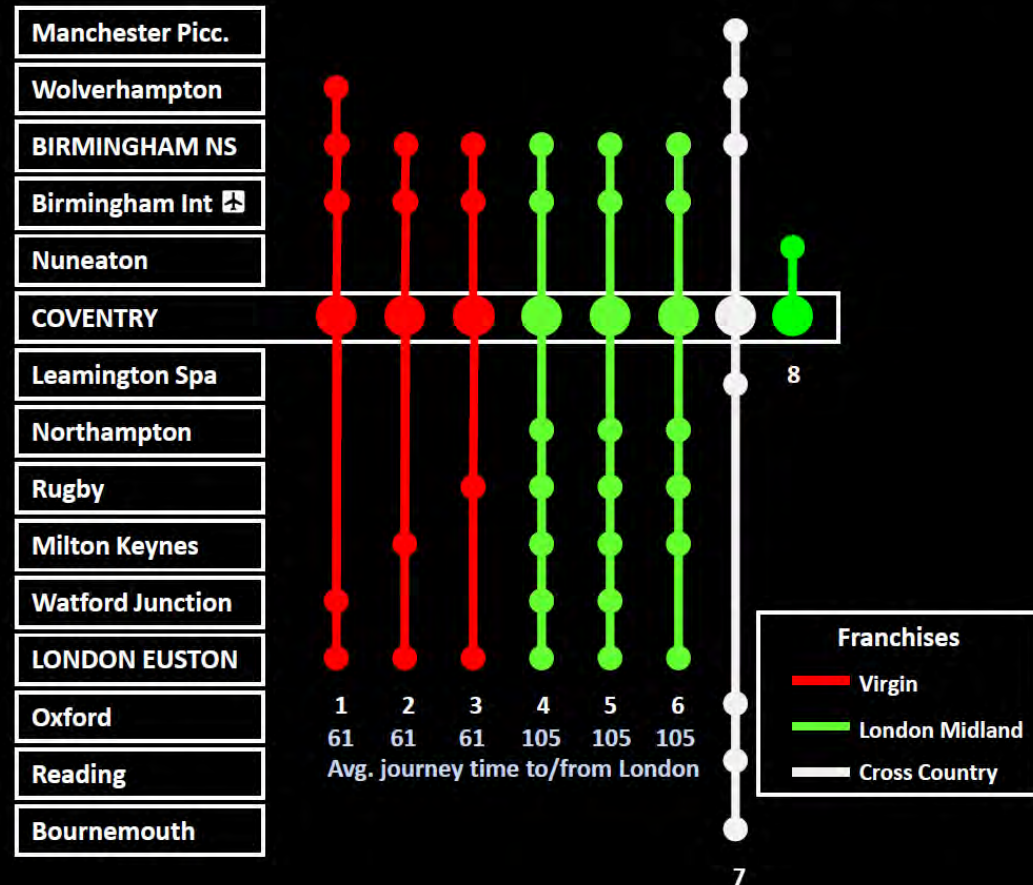
# Local Regional National

Tile Hill



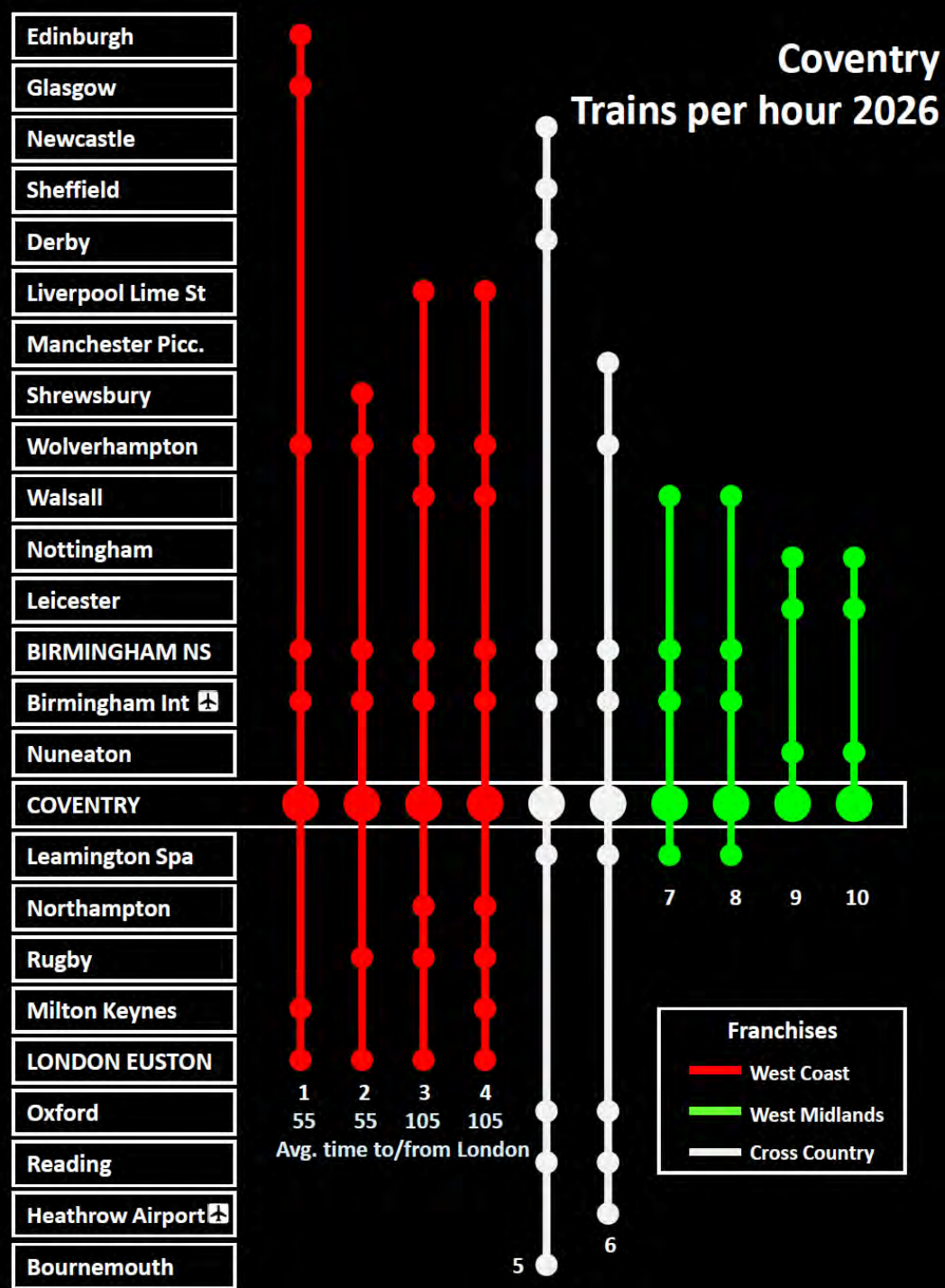
Now

# Coventry Trains per hour 2013





# 2026 Coventry Rail Investment Strategy



# 3. Station



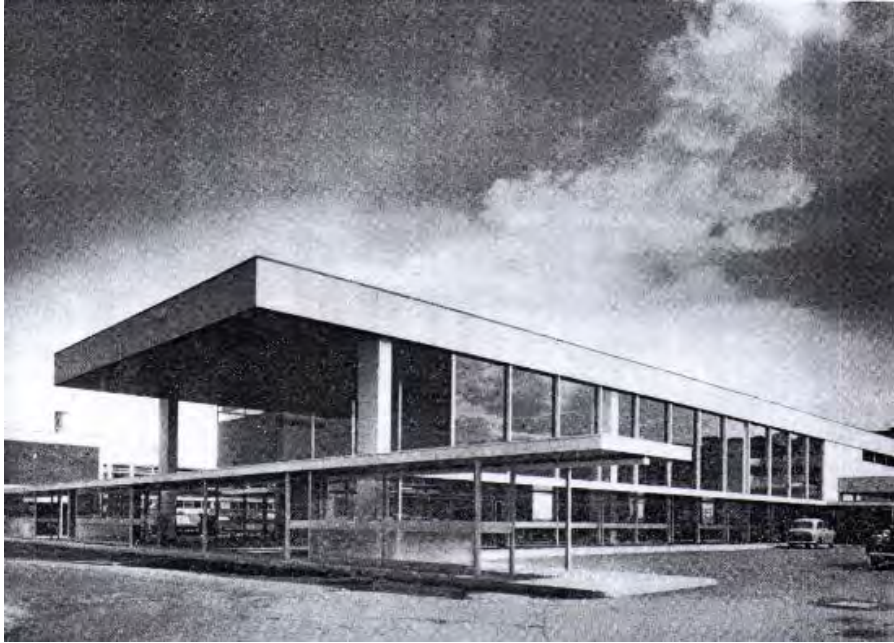
# 1960s Ambition



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# COVENTRY STATION



# THE NEW MODERN

- Coventry Station a modernist building
- Form Follows Function
- Buildings were considered - Machines for Living
- Reduction in unnecessary ornamentation
- Clean lines expressed vertically and horizontally
- An honest use of materials
- Minimal structure slender columns
- Building featured in both the Architects Journal & Architectural Design in 1962

Comment from the Architects Journal

*'designed on the essential idea of movement.'*

# COVENTRY STATION

## Light & Space





Comment from the Architects Journal

*advantage. Bedsitting-rooms for manageress and catering staff are situated over the booking office. The inevitable queue does not indicate any inadequacy in the planning of the booking office*



# COVENTRY STATION

In the Architects Journal

The Architects' Journal Information Library May 30 1962 1185



**AJ** **STB (93)**  
Building Illustrated UDC 725.31 Railway station buildings

## Coventry station

architect W. R. Headley, regional architect (LM Region) under the direction of A. N. Butland, chief civil engineer

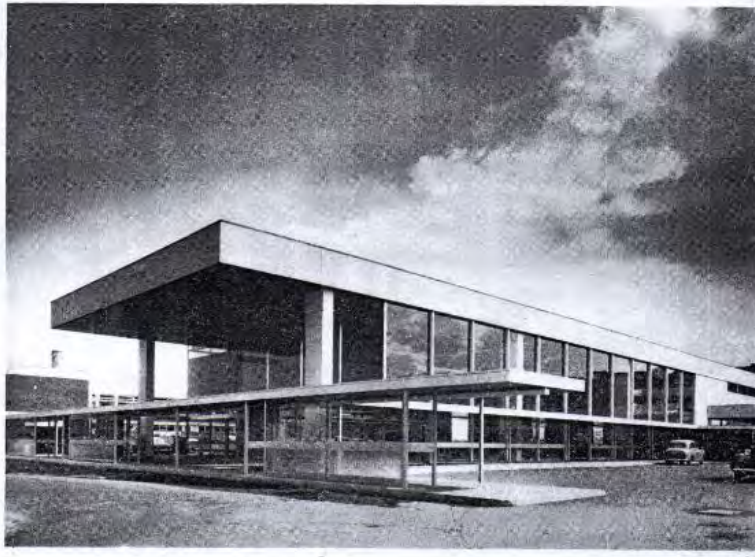
J. S. Wyatt, principal assistant architect

job architect D. Shorten  
assisted by J. M. Collins  
M. J. C. Edwards

quantity surveyor K. Rawson  
J. B. Whybrow, chief quantity surveyor, regional architect's office, and W. A. Storey, principal assistant quantity surveyor

consultants  
structural Ore Arup & Partners  
lettering and signs Joek Kinneir

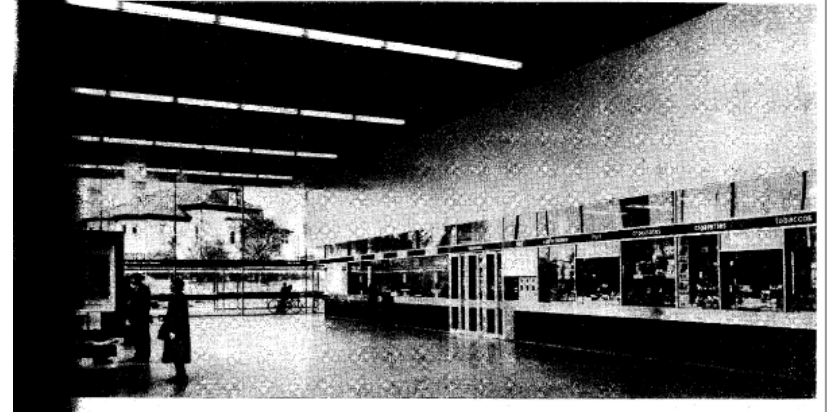
*This railway station had to be rebuilt because of electrification of the line and growth in passenger traffic. The architects have produced a building which fully matches the straightforward confidence of the nearby rebuilt city centre. Unfortunately permission was not given for costs to be published, but an outline specification is included*



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*The main concourse seen from the taxi rank and drive-in. To the far left is a developer's boarding which announces the commencement of a 'Station square redevelopment scheme'. When this development is completed the station will have a more effective road link with the city centre*

*The concourse provides almost all that the intending passenger needs, with easily read 'labels' and plenty of room to circulate. One omission is in the provision of comfortable seating in this area for the weary traveller. The backless slabs (one of which is seen on the left beyond an advertising cube) are hardly adequate and certainly not comfortable*



COVENTRY STATION

Euston Station



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# 2010s anonymous



# COVENTRY TRANSPORT MUSEUM

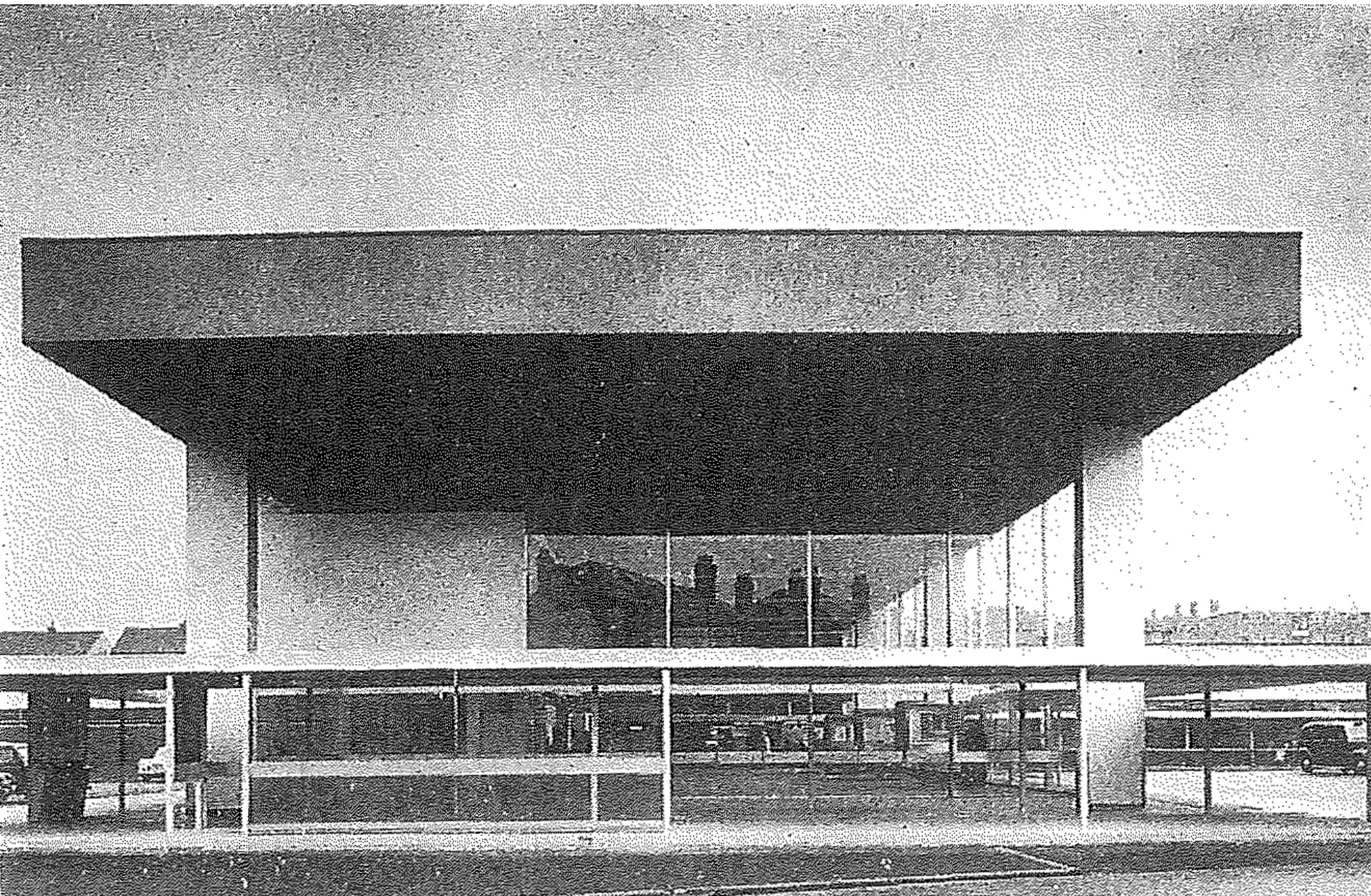


# Masterplan



# Friargate

# 1960s Statement





# 2010s little seen



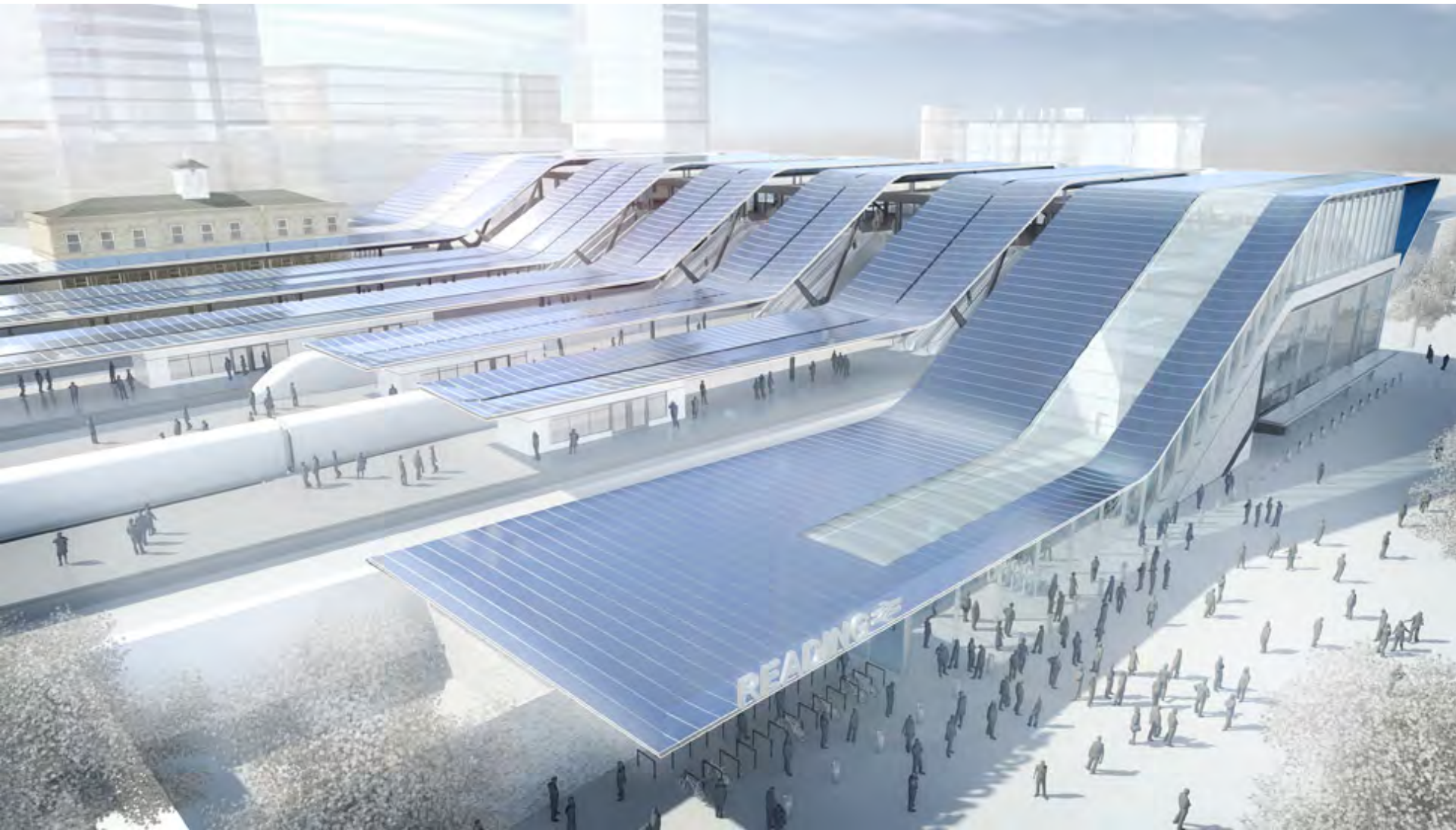
# To come

## At head of Friargate Boulevard



**Ambition**

# Reading UK (Network Rail)



# Car Park, Interchange, 2<sup>nd</sup> Entrance



*Towards  
London*

# Business Case

**At capacity – 2023**

**£18.5m**

**BCR 2.5**