

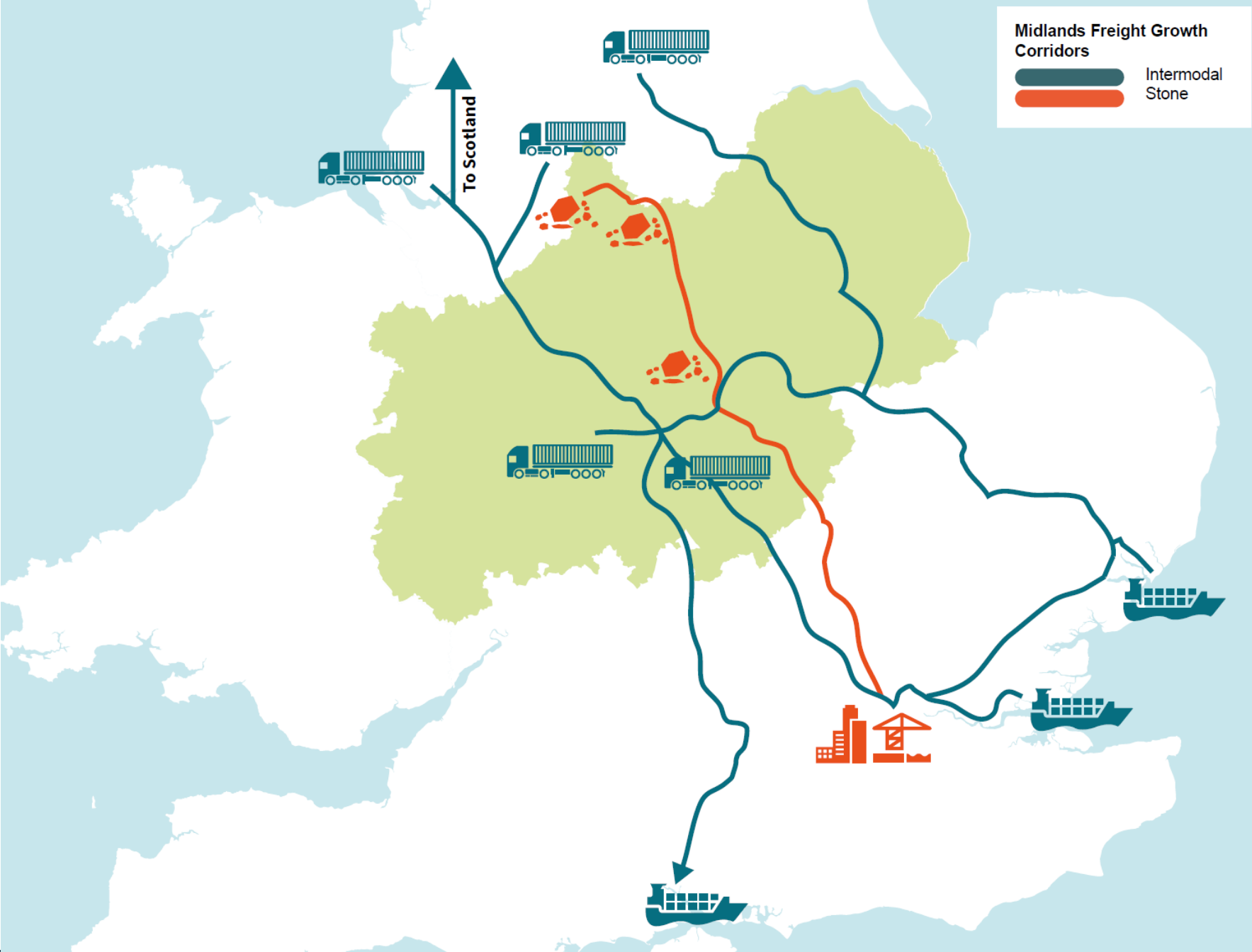


Midlands Engine Rail

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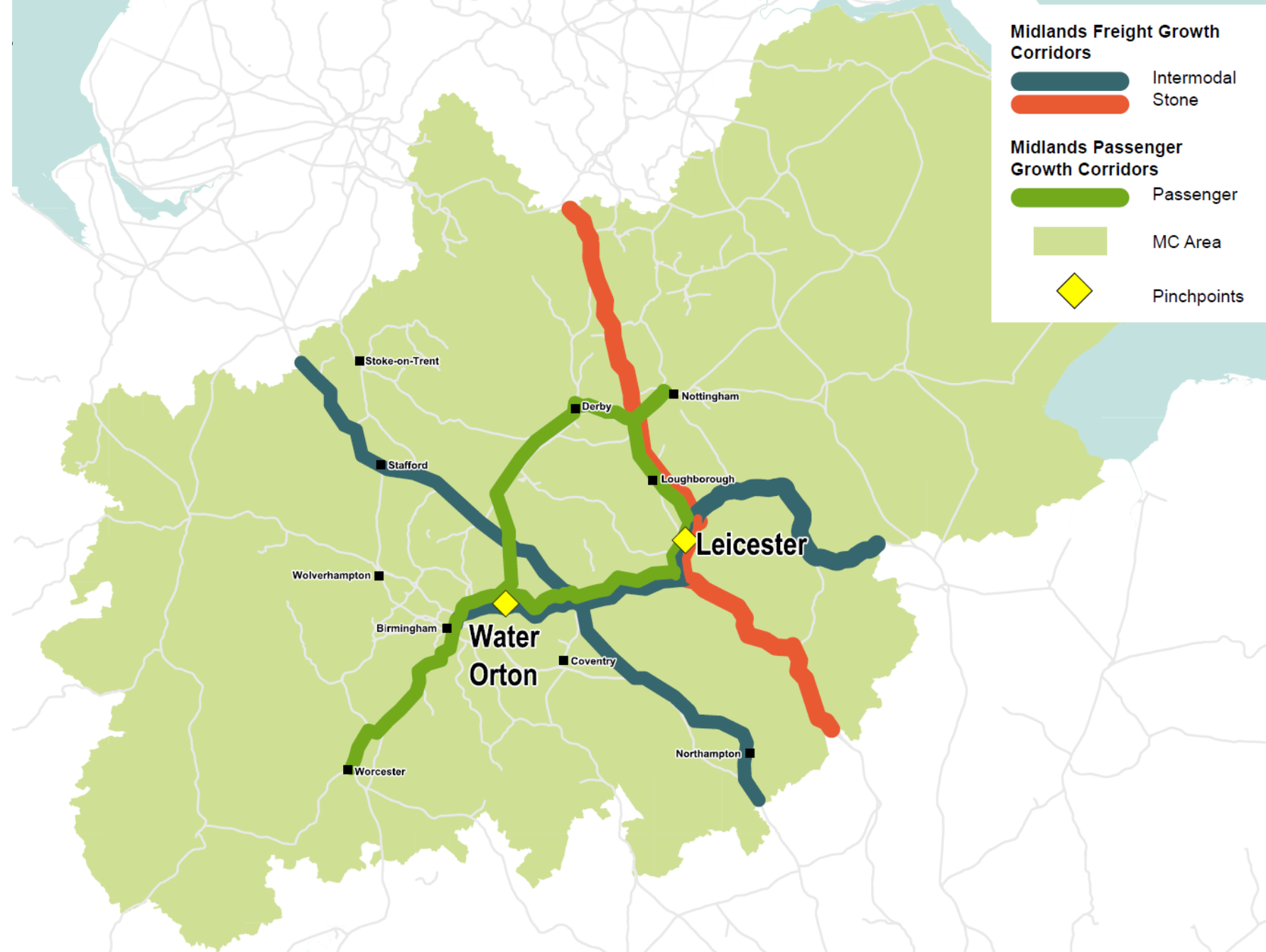
Midlands Connect Freight Strategy (March 2017)

Provide for freight growth corridors



Also planning
new east-west
passenger
services

which means
capacity
constraints at
Water Orton
& Leicester



Midlands Rail Hub

- Flagship £2bn programme
- Links Birmingham & Coventry to Leicester & Nottingham
- Four extra passenger services through **Water Orton**
- Proposal for extra tracks and faster turnouts including capacity for freight
- Birmingham side of programme up for £20m OBC (GRIP3) study



Leicester

- MRH services from Birmingham
- Coventry-Leicester-Nottingham
- HS2 Shuttle services
- HS2 Bedford-Leicester-Leeds

- East-west intermodal freight
- North-south stone freight

- A project in its own right
- Looking to study “flat max” scheme



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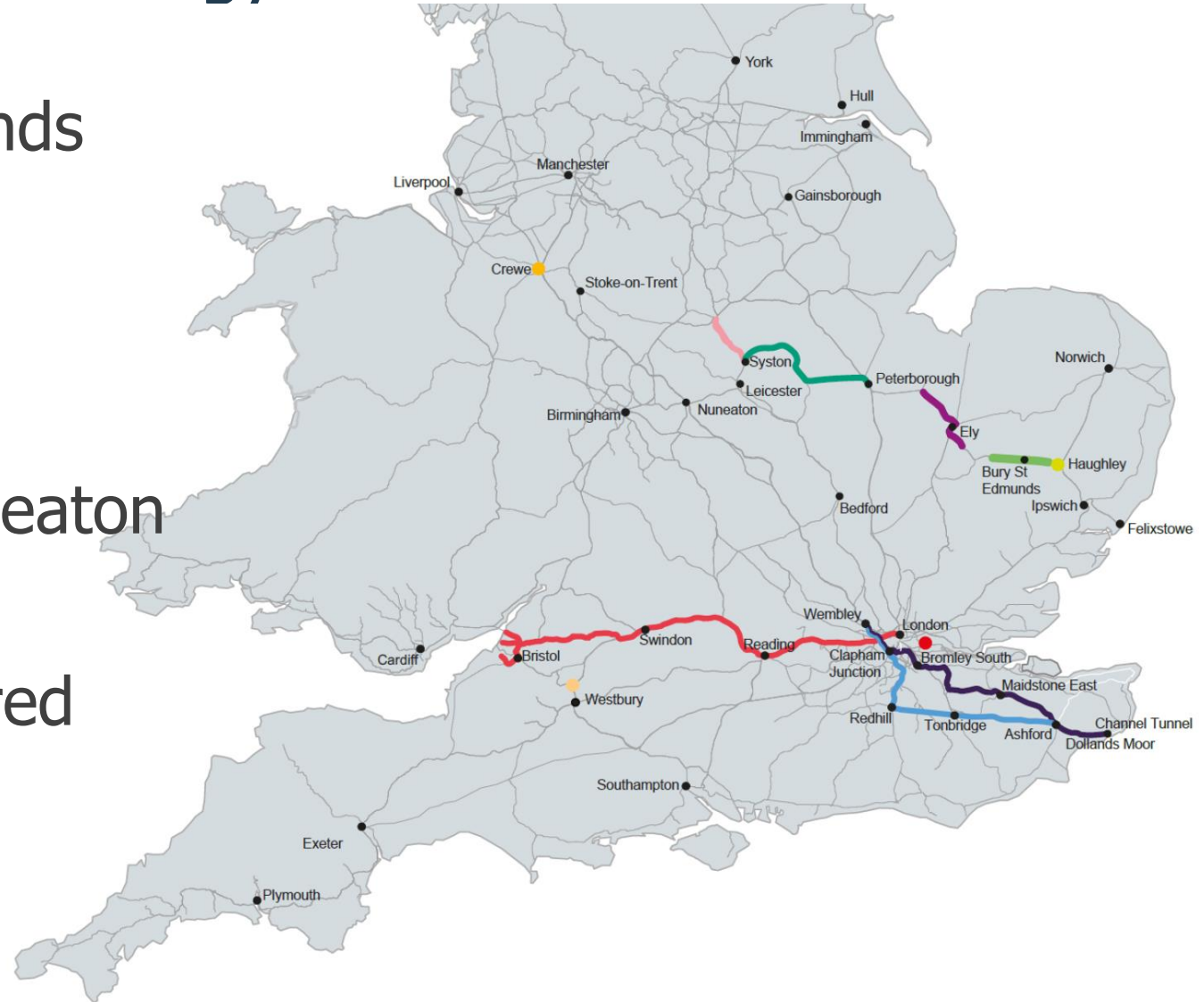
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Freight – part of the national strategy

- It's not all about the Midlands
- Strategic Freight Network
- Freight-specific schemes
- Particularly Felixstowe-Nuneaton
- Felixstowe loop just delivered
- Ely is next key bottleneck



Midlands Engine Rail fact sheet

 <p>736 extra passenger trains per day</p>	 <p>72 more freight trains per day</p>	 <p>Space for > 1 million more lorries' worth of goods on our railways</p>
 <p>Faster and/or more frequent services for up to 60 stations across the UK</p>		
 <p>Seven schemes</p>	 <p>Fully integrated with High Speed Two</p>	 <p>£3.5bn capital investment required</p>