## HyNet North West

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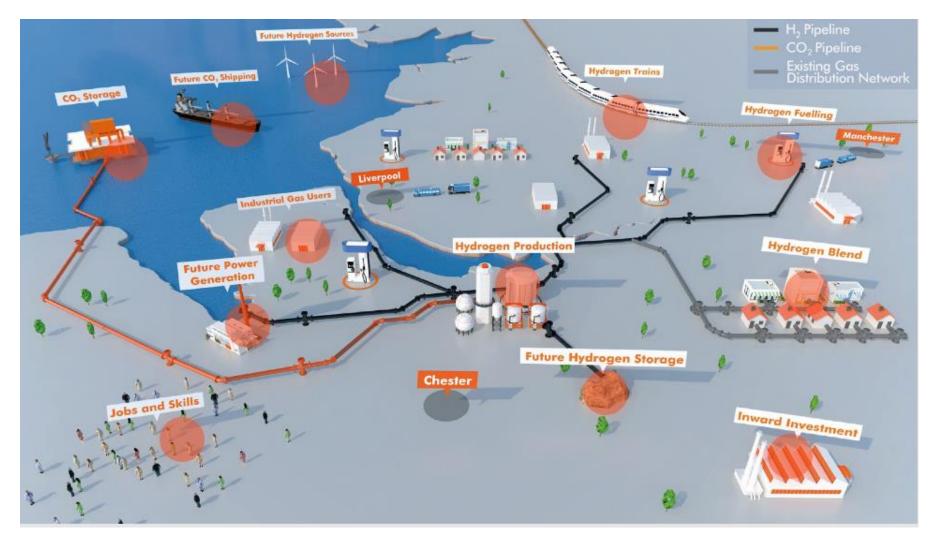








## **HyNet** North West Background



"The leading hydrogen and CCUS project in the UK today"

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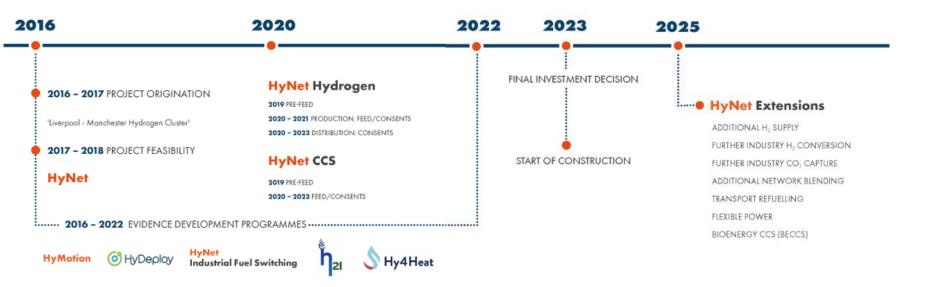
Hydrogen All Party Parliamentary Group – 2020 report

## What is HyNet?

- HyNet North West is a significant clean growth opportunity for the UK.
- It is a low cost, deliverable project which meets the major challenges of reducing carbon emissions from industry, domestic heat and transport.
- HyNet North West is based on the production of hydrogen from natural gas.
- It includes the development of UK's first carbon capture, and storage (CCS) infrastructure. CCS is a vital technology to achieve the widespread emissions savings needed to meet the 2050 carbon reduction targets.
- Accelerating the development and deployment of hydrogen technologies and CCS through HyNet North West positions the UK strongly for skills export in a global low carbon economy.

HyNet North West can be expanded into Lancashire, Cumbria, Derbyshire, parts of the West Midlands and further into Wales.

## **Delivering HyNet by 2025**



#### HyNet has attracted significant funding to date:

Onshore - £45.2m total cost, of which £19.4m is grant Offshore - £26.5m total cost, of which£13.3 is grant

Total HyNet : £72m total cost, of which £33m is grant and £39m partner contribution

# Why does HyNet Matter for the Region?

- It is a **genuine regional decarbonisation solution**, not focused on one key anchor energy project.
- It places cross sectoral decarbonisation of regional industry at its heart – maximising emission reduction.
- It is the most affordable & deliverable CCS option by 2025.
- **Regional fuel switching** to reduce emissions from hard to decarbonise sectors.
- Decarbonisation of domestic heating.
- First hydrogen village.
- Enables existing industry to drive low carbon growth.



## **HyNet Economic Benefits**

- £17 billion Gross Value Added for the North West.
  £31 billion for UK.
- **5,000 North West jobs** created to 2025 and many more beyond.
- Protects energy intensive industry jobs across the North West and creates a springboard for regional low carbon growth.
- First UK CCUS infrastructure at low cost through the practical and economic re-use of the Liverpool Bay oil and gas fields site.
- Over 80% of the construction spend and over 60% of the design and engineering sourced in the North West.
- Positions the North West as a leader in hydrogen technologies and skills for export.
- Hydrogen infrastructure can attract new inward investment – from new marine fuels, sustainable glass and hydrogen tanks.



### What does HyNet need from the LEP?

- 1. Strong Whitehall engagement at Ministerial level
- 2. Building a coalition of support across Liverpool, Manchester, Cheshire and Warrington
- 3. Advocacy into local authorities to support planning activity
- 4. Positive public affirmation of the project to support stakeholder engagement