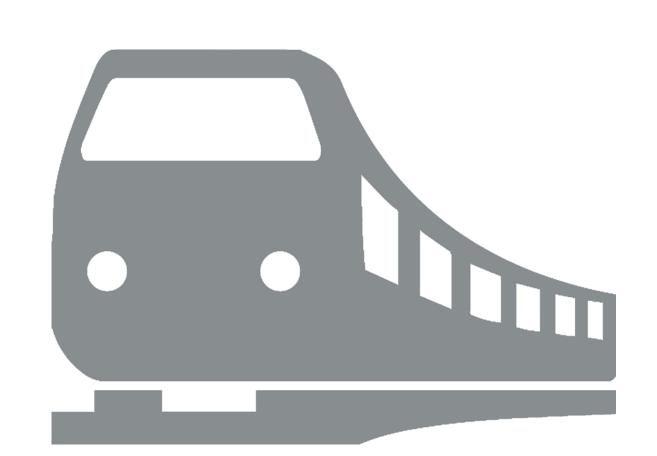


PARKWAY STATION

The provision of a parkway station was recognised in the Stage One study to bring potentially substantial sustainable travel benefits at a regional scale.

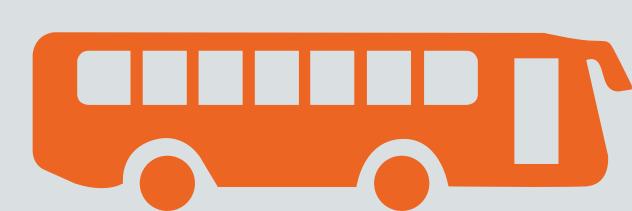
The provision of a parkway station is additional to highway options 1 and 2 as improved access from the A48 would be required to bring the benefits of a new station for the Vale of Glamorgan.

The option to provide a new parkway station on the Cardiff to Bridgend rail line near to the M4 Junction 34 has not been further designed as part of this Stage Two study. As this is dependent on further technical assessment, for example the Network Rail GRIP process. It will need to be considered as part of the rail franchise and Metro proposals.



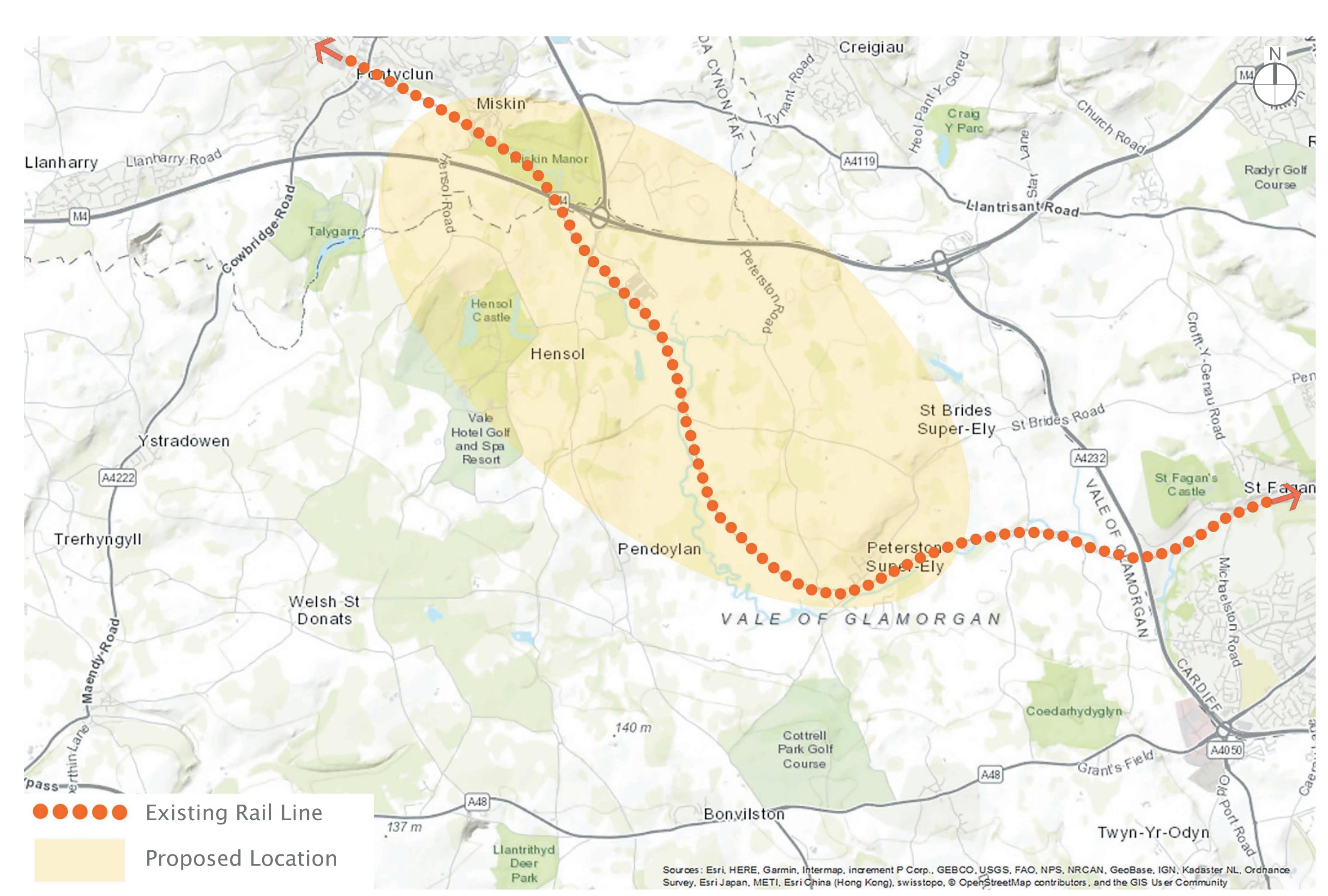
The Stage Two study has however considered the likely impacts and benefits of the following:

- A parkway station near Junction 34 served by local rail services between Cardiff and Maesteg and potentially mainline services on the South Wales Mainline, between Cardiff and Bridgend.
- Interchange with regional and local bus services, including services between the A4119 corridor and Cardiff Airport and St Athan.
- Car parking facilities to reflect the strategic location on the M4 west of Cardiff.



Station Location

The actual location of a station has not been fixed at this stage, as this will depend on further feasibility work. It is anticipated to be at a location in a broad corridor defined by Miskin to the north west and east of Pendoylan village to the south.



Option Costs and Funding

The costs of developing a parkway station are not known at this stage and will be subject to further development. Typically, a new station with interchange and park and ride facilities could cost £25m.



It is assumed that funding for a parkway station is likely to be required as part of the Metro development, using funding via City Deal/ Transport for Wales/ Welsh Government.

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