



Malta in Motion

# Malta's National Integrated Transport Plan





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# The right to MOVE, the way you CHOOSE



## Malta in Motion

-  **Malta needs a modern, connected transport system** that works today and scales for tomorrow
-  **Malta in Motion** is the Government's programme to implement the National Transport Strategy 2050
-  **The Integrated Transport Plan** is the core delivery plan over the next 15 years
-  It will give people practical travel choices that **make every day journeys easier and more reliable**

# Strategic Pillars of Malta in Motion



**Travel  
Choice**



**Liveability**



**Inclusive, Safe  
Places**



**Reliable  
Connectivity**



**Resilience**

The 5 pillars focus the system on people, places, and economic opportunity

# Core Components

Six delivery components

One integrated system

A people-centred, multi-modal  
mobility model

Builds on progress already made in  
roads, buses, ferries, and road safety



Bus Network & Services



RTS – Rapid Transit System



Maritime Network & Ferry Services



Public Realm & Active Travel Access



Road Network Efficiency



Parking Policy & Strategy



# Bus Network & Services



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Public transport remains Malta's backbone, with 500+ buses providing nationwide coverage



**400**

**additional daily bus services**  
improving frequency and coverage



**Zero-emissions fleet**  
expansion to 42 electric buses

**Gozo electrification of bus fleet**



# Growth & Demand

**112%**

increase in number of passengers carried since 2013, far outpacing population growth

**82 million**

bus trips in 2025 underline the system's importance

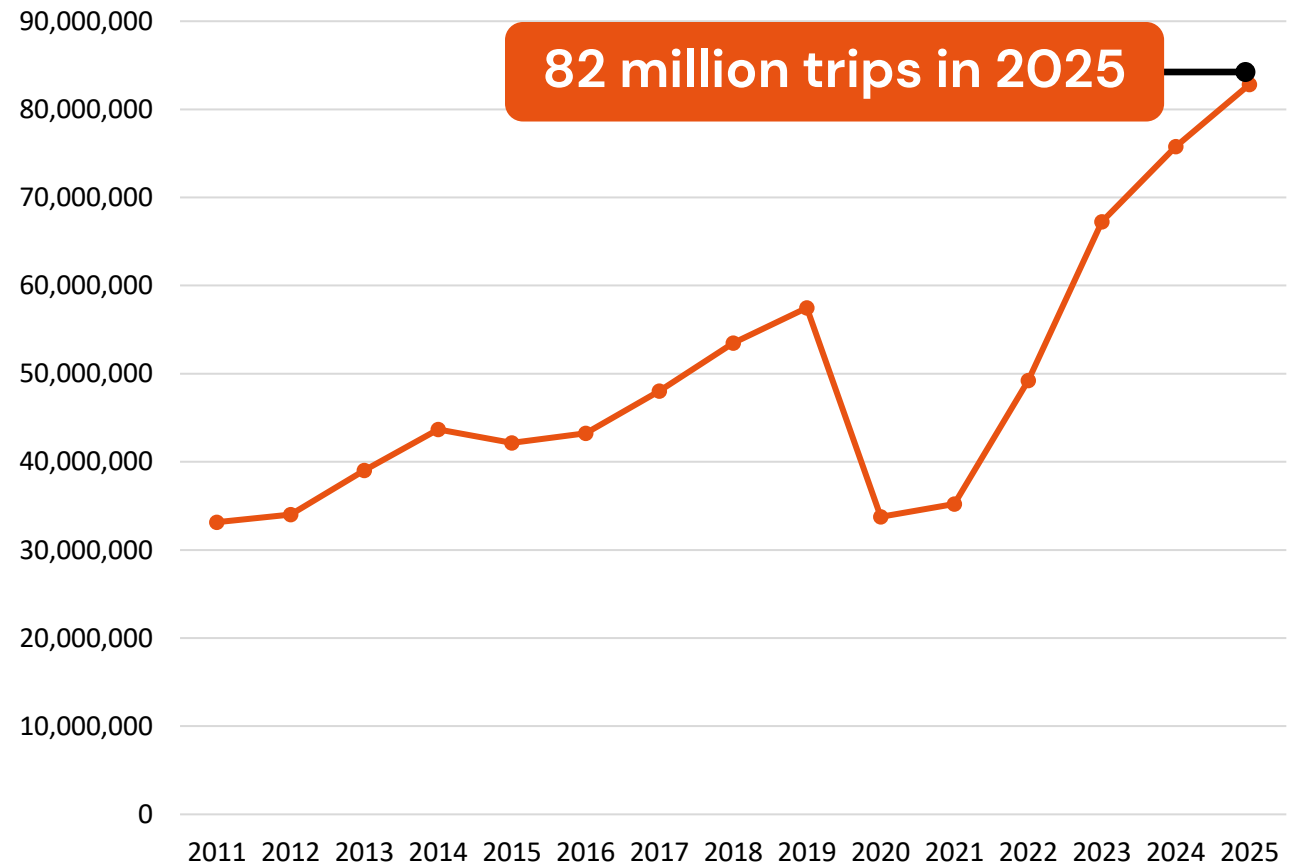
**226,918**

passengers per day on average in 2025, a **9.6%** increase from 2024

The system is on a strong growth path toward **250,000 daily users** backed by **rising public trust** and **ongoing service upgrades**



### Evolution of bus ridership



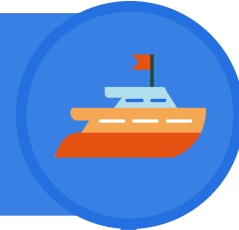


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Ferry services provide essential cross-harbour and coastal connections, relieving pressure on the road network



What's coming:



**Tal-Linja bil-Baħar Ferry route linking Sliema, Bugibba and Gozo**  
will open up a new coastal passenger corridor



## **Marsascala Ferry proposal**

A new fast ferry service connecting Marsascala with Valletta and the Grand Harbour ferry network, highlights the balance between local concerns and wider system benefits



# Growth in Maritime Travel

**7 million**

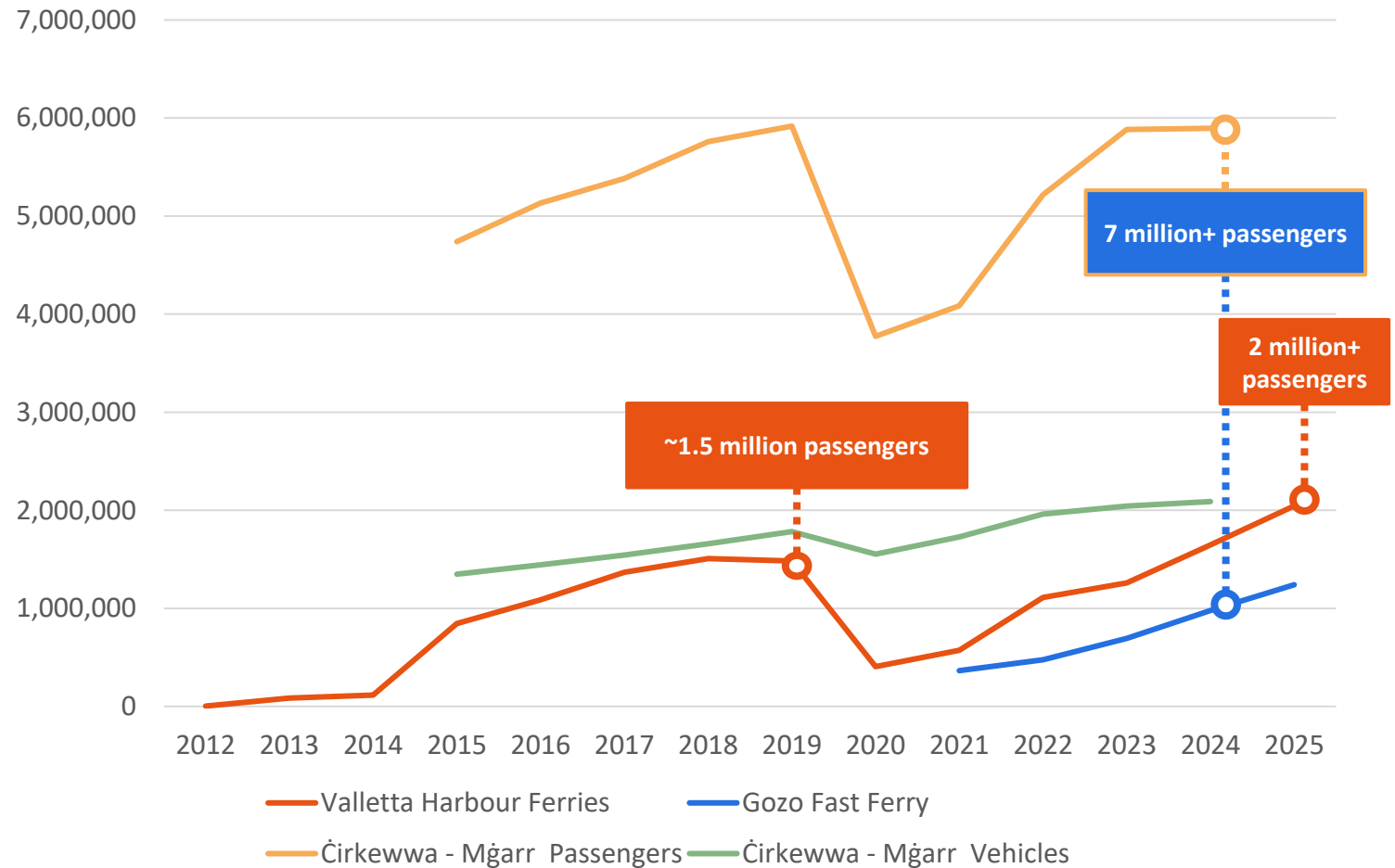
passengers travelled between Malta and Gozo by sea, when combining the Gozo Channel ferries and the fast ferry services

**26.8% growth**

In 2025, the Valletta harbour ferries carried 2,044,545 passengers between Valletta, Sliema and the Three Cities – up 26.8% on 2024 – supported by free travel for Tallinja card holders

Growing demand justifies stronger integration of ferries with buses and active modes

Passengers and Vehicles carried by Ferry Services





# Bugibba & Sliema



# Valletta & Cospicua



# Rapid Transit System



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A rapid transit system of around 24 km, delivered in clear stages to serve Malta's principal urban area



2021



Since then



Today

The Malta Metro was a three-line, 25-station light-metro network designed to provide a long-term, high-capacity alternative to car-based travel



Public transport demand grew significantly from 2021-2026



This trend underlines the need for higher-capacity, rapid transit solutions

Designed to provide high-capacity, reliable services that connect with buses, ferries, and active modes

A modern rapid transit system would serve Malta's busiest hubs:

- Malta International Airport
- Mater Dei Hospital
- University of Malta
- Valletta
- Qormi
- St Paul's Bay

where demand for reliable public transport is consistently high

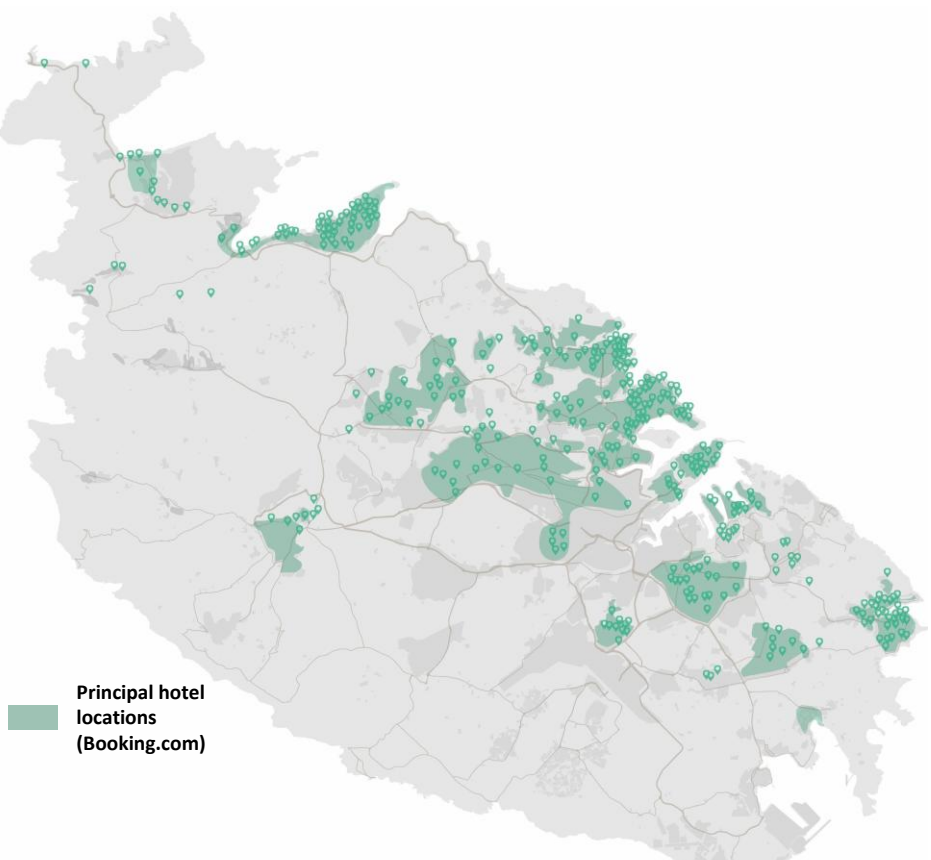
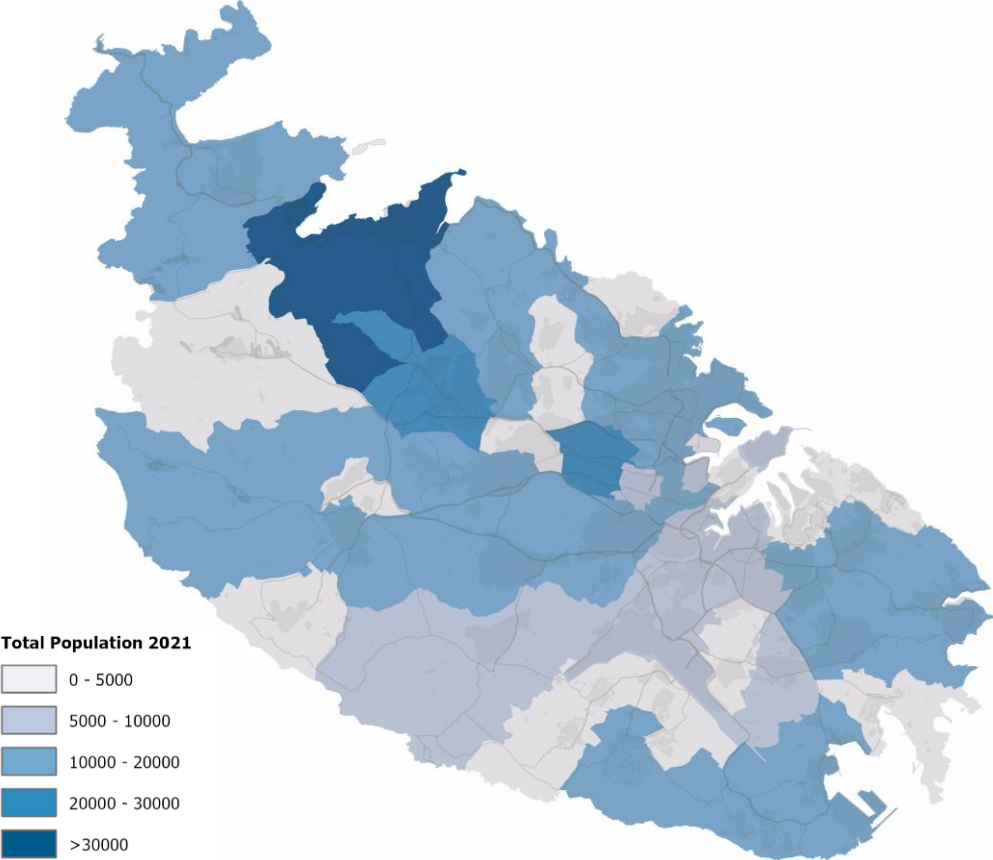
# Where People Live and Visit



Population



Principal hotels and tourist destinations





# Public Realm & Active Travel Access



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Active travel and the quality of the public realm underpin local mobility, enabling short walking and cycling trips and shaping how people reach services, public transport, and daily activities



**Bicycle grants:** VAT refund of up to €85 for bikes and €250 for pedelecs

Ongoing

**New cycling infrastructure:** Installation of new bicycle racks

Ongoing



**Connections for Safer Active Mobility Project (C-SAM):** Malta's first ITS-enabled safe cycle and pedestrian routes

- Phase 1: Pieta to Floriana
- Phase 2: Marsa to Paola
- Phase 3 : Sa Maison – Msida, Ta' Xbiex, Gżira, Connection to Tal-Qroqq, Sliema, St Julians

Ongoing



**The Vjal Kulhadd Initiative:** improvements of pedestrian paths, alternative mobility routes, green spaces

Ongoing



# Road Network Efficiency



# Malta Road Safety Strategy

## Malta Road Safety Strategy 2025–2030



7 focus areas with highest lifesaving potential:

- Motorcycles & mopeds
- Pedestrians & cyclists
- Safe speed
- Sober driving
- Undistracted driving
- Fast & effective emergency response
- Gozo-specific challenges



Implementation is planned through three successive 3-year action plans (2026–2028, 2029–2031, 2032–2034)



# Parking Policy & Strategy



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Parking policy in Malta plays a key role in managing car use, supporting park-and-ride, and enabling multimodal travel



 Progress:



Addolorata Park & Ride (Paola)

● July 2025

Ta' Qali Park & Ride

● September 2025

Pembroke Park & Ride Opening

● TBA



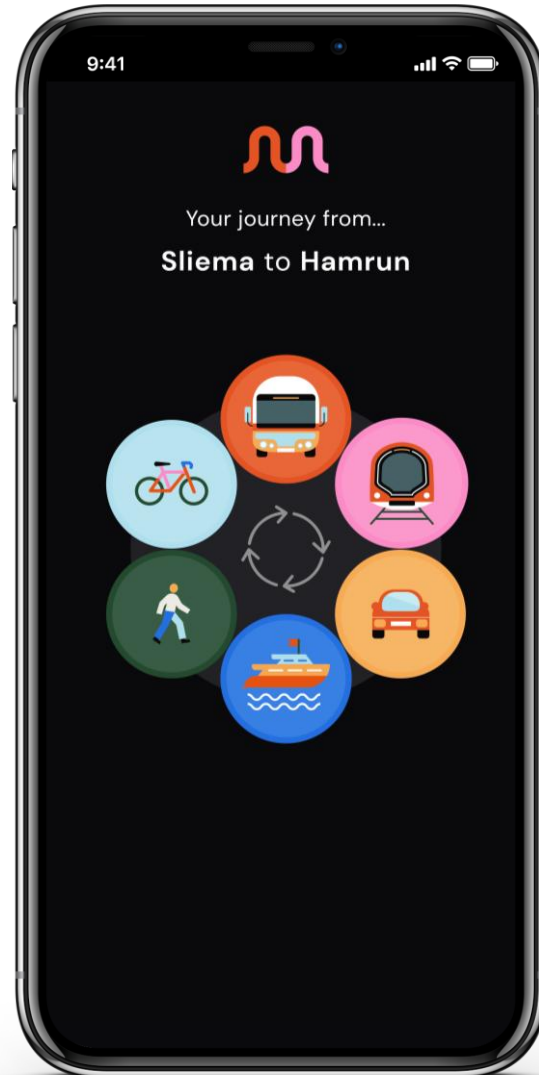
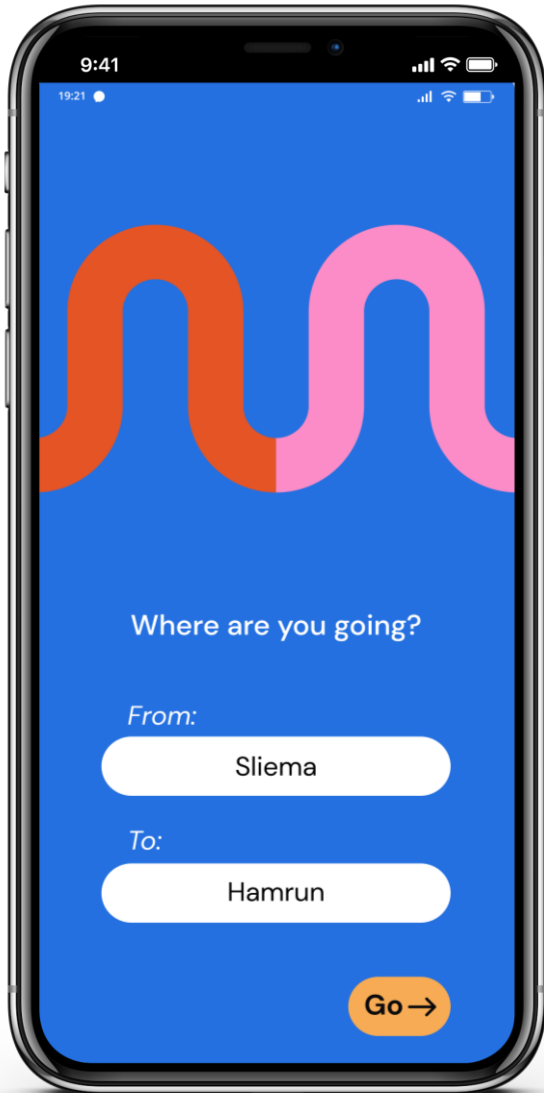
Marsaxlokk & Bormla Park & Ride

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# Mobility as a Service A Digital Platform

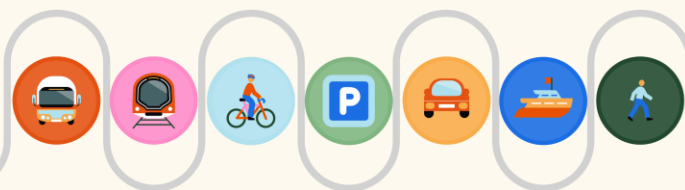


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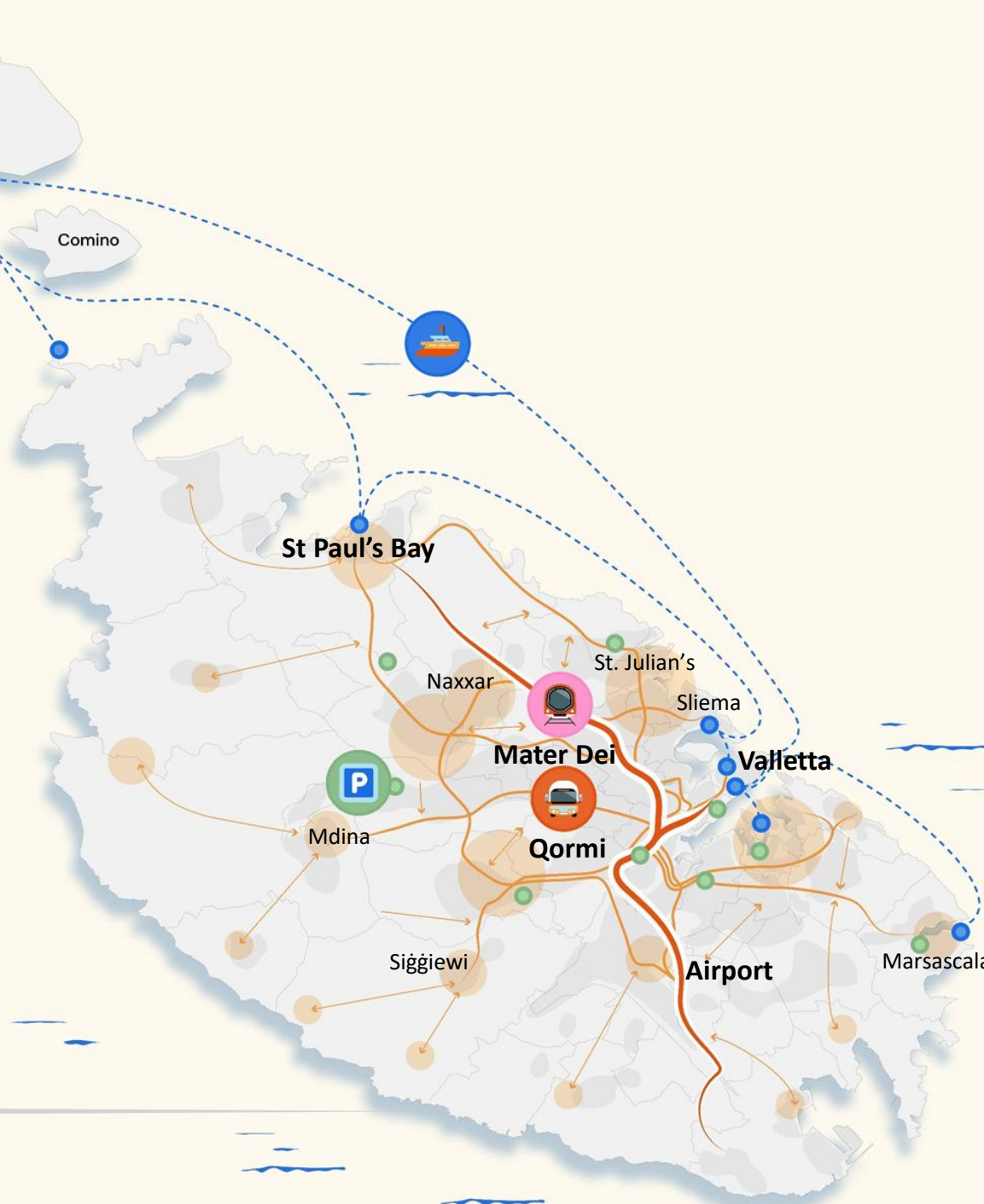


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# What the future network could look like



Integrated Transport System



- RTS
- Primary bus corridors
- Secondary / feeder buses
- Local Bus
- Ferry Network
- Ferry Terminal
- Park and Ride

*Note: This map is for illustrative purposes only. It is subject to change.*

# What this means for Malta

## Travel Choice

- Access to viable alternatives for everyday travel
- Attractive, widespread services
- Freedom to choose how to move

## Liveability & Wellbeing

- Greater social inclusion
- Improved physical and mental wellbeing
- Better access to jobs, services and social life

## Resilience

- Stable funding sustains mobility service quality
- Mobility system supports economic activity

## Inclusive, Safe Places

- Street space that feels safe and welcoming for all
- Public spaces that prioritise people movement
- Streets that support social interaction, local activity and everyday life

## Reliability & Efficiency

- Seamless, easy-to-understand travel
- More reliable, efficient travel

