

## HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

### Executive Decision Record

<b>Decision Maker:</b>	Executive Member for Environment and Transport
<b>Date:</b>	12 March 2019
<b>Title:</b>	Environment & Transport Capital Programme Update, including Transforming Cities Fund Programme
<b>Report From:</b>	Director of Economy, Transport and Environment

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#### 1. The decision:

- 1.1 That progress on Tranche 1 of the Transforming Cities Fund bid for Southampton and Portsmouth is noted, with a further report on the programme, detailing progress towards Tranche 2, to be received by the Executive Member for Environment and Transport following further Government announcements.
- 1.2 That, subject to receipt of funding, approval is given for adjustments to the Economy, Transport, and Environment Capital Programme to enable the following Transforming Cities Fund (TCF) Tranche 1 schemes to be added to the 2018/19 Capital Programme:
  - Further deployment of real time information (RTPI) at bus stops on bus corridors in Havant and Waterlooville (£398,000, to be entirely funded from TCF).
  - Test Lane Cycle Route (£302,500, of which £223,000 will be funded from local contributions and a further £79,500 from TCF).
  - Redbridge Causeway to Eling Pedestrian and Cycle improvements (£750,000, to be entirely funded from TCF).
  - Hut Hill Cycle Route (£1,008,000, of which £770,000 will be funded from TCF and the remainder from other external sources).
- 1.3 That authority be delegated to the Director of Economy, Transport and Environment, in consultation with the Executive Member for Environment and Transport and the Head of Legal Services, to agree and enter into contractual and other arrangements as necessary to facilitate joint working to develop a Strategic Outline Business Case for the Transforming Cities

Fund with Portsmouth City Council and similarly with Southampton City Council.

- 1.4 That it is noted that the Tranche 1 scheme submission: Enhanced busway extension (retention of Rowner Road bridge, Gosport) is already included in the capital programme as part of the Eclipse Busway Phase 1 Completion scheme and that, subject to receipt of funding, the funding allocation for the scheme will be amended to reflect the addition of £1.4million of TCF.
- 1.5 That approval is given to vire £500,000 of 2018/19 revenue funding to capital funding to the Eclipse Busway Phase 1 Completion scheme, with the funding allocation for the existing scheme amended to reflect this funding.
- 1.6 That the revised value of the proposed air quality speed limit reduction schemes along the A331 and A339, from £378,000 to £20,000, is noted.

## **2. Reasons for the decision:**

- 2.1 To provide authority to make adjustments to the Environment and Transport Capital Programme to reflect the developing context for delivery and ensure efficient progress of the County Council's capital projects.
- 2.2 The Department for Transport (DfT) has accepted an Expression of Interest in the Transforming Cities Fund (TCF), jointly submitted by the County Council and Portsmouth City Council and requested the submission of a Strategic Outline Business Case, to be co-developed by the authorities. It will therefore be necessary to establish joint arrangements to share the cost and deployment of resources equitably between the authorities.
- 2.3 The DfT has also accepted an Expression of Interest in the TCF submitted by Southampton City Council that in part depends upon infrastructure elements in Hampshire and would need to be implemented by the County Council. The City Council has invited the County Council to participate in co-development work to prepare a Strategic Outline Business Case. It will therefore be necessary to establish joint arrangements to share the cost and deployment of resources equitably between the authorities.

## **3. Other options considered and rejected:**

- 3.1 Not to provide authority to amend the Capital Programme. This option was rejected on the basis that it would obstruct the timely and efficient delivery of capital projects.
- 3.2 Not to enter into agreements with the cities. This was rejected because it would inhibit the joint working necessary at this stage of a process that could bring substantial benefits to the county.

**4. Conflicts of interest:**

4.1 Conflicts of interest declared by the decision-maker:

4.2 Conflicts of interest declared by other Executive Members consulted:

**5. Dispensation granted by the Conduct Advisory Panel: none.**

**6. Reason(s) for the matter being dealt with if urgent: not applicable.**

**7. Statement from the Decision Maker:**

**Approved by:**

**Date:**

**12 March 2019**

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**Executive Member for Environment and Transport  
Councillor Rob Humby**