

- f. A27 Providence Hill Cycle Scheme, at a cost of £1,900,000, to be funded from the Transforming Cities Fund and developer contributions.
- g. Bursledon Road Cycle Scheme, at a cost of £678,000, to be funded from the Transforming Cities Fund.

1.3 That authority to make the necessary arrangements to implement the schemes, including minor variations to the designs or contracts, be delegated to the Director of Economy, Transport and Environment.

1.4 That the Executive Lead Member for Economy Transport and Environment delegates authority to the Director of Economy, Transport and Environment, in consultation with the Head of Legal Services, to progress any orders, notices or statutory procedures and secure any consents, licences, permissions, rights or easements necessary to enable implementation of the Southampton and South-West Hampshire TCF Programme.

2. Reasons for the decision:

2.1 The decision will allow the spend of a proportion of the £57 million of funding secured by the County Council together with Southampton City Council from the Department for Transport's (DfT's) Tranche 2 Transforming Cities Fund, which aims to improve productivity by investing in public and sustainable transport infrastructure in and around City Regions.

2.2 The schemes will provide improvements to cycleways, footways and road crossings to help more people to walk and cycle locally and further afield, as well as improving bus travel and connecting different types of transport through mobility hubs in Eastleigh and Southampton Parkway (subject to a separate Decision Day report later in 2022). The funding will be used to better connect Eastleigh, Bursledon and The Waterside/Totton to Southampton City Centre.

2.3 The decision is being sought now to meet programme and funding requirements set out by the DfT.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

3.1. The original Southampton and South-West Hampshire TCF bid outlined 'Low, Medium and High' funding scenarios with scheme options based on the level of funding available. Funding was secured to deliver the programme of schemes covered by the 'Low' funding scenario. Therefore, this report focuses on those schemes with other options discounted.

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:

Thank you to County Councillor Tim Groves for attending and speaking at my Decision Day today.

I also thank the Waterside Cycling Action Group for their submission on the proposals and the modest improvements suggested, which will be considered under delegated powers going as work progresses.

Approved by:

Date:

27 January 2022

**Executive Lead Member for Economy, Transport and
Environment
Councillor Rob Humby**