

**Single Member Cabinet Decision**

<b>Executive Forward Plan Reference</b>	<b>E2505</b>
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**Authority to sign legal agreements, enter into licences and memorandum(s) of understanding for the delivery of Variable Message Sign (VMS), Real Time Information (RTI) and Improved Bus Waiting Areas as part of Bath Transportation Package.**

<b>Decision maker/s</b>	Cllr Roger Symonds, Cabinet Member for Transport.
<b>The Issue</b>	Installation of VMS signs and RTI equipment require either a legal agreement(s) and or memorandum(s) of understanding and or entering into Section 50 New Roads and Street Works Act licences to enable works to take place. Authority is required. Improvements to bus stops waiting areas on land not in Council control require a licence to be entered into for which authority is also necessary.
<b>Decision Date</b>	<b>03/12/2012</b>
<b>The decision</b>	<p>The Cabinet Member agrees that:- The Network Manager, and or the Director of Planning and Transport/Director of Environmental Services are hereby authorised to enter into a legal agreement with the Secretary of State under S6 of the Highways Act 1980, to allow the construction of Variable Message Signs numbered 4, 5 and 7 on the plan attached as Appendix 1 on the trunk roads A4.A36 and A46.</p> <p>The Network Manager and or Director of Planning and Transport/Director of Environmental Services are hereby authorised to enter into a street works licence with South Gloucestershire Council under Section 50 of the New Roads and Street Works Act to allow for the construction of Variable Message sign number 6 shown on the plan attached as Appendix 1 on the A420 situated in South Gloucestershire.</p> <p>The Network Manager and or the Director of Planning and Transport/Director of Environmental Services are hereby authorised to enter into memorandum/s of understanding or other such appropriate agreement with partner organisations to allow for the installation of Real Time Information or for the connections required to allow for Variable Message Signing equipment at the Podium Car Park to be linked with the Council's UTMC system.</p> <p>The Network Manager and or the Director of Planning and Transport/Director of Environmental Services are hereby authorised to enter into other licences to allow the construction of improved bus waiting areas on land not land in Council control.</p>
<b>Rationale for decision</b>	To authorise signature of the necessary documentation enabling interests to be protected and the roles and responsibilities to be clarified.

<b>Financial and budget implications</b>	The budget for the Bath Transportation Package was approved by the Cabinet in July 2012 subject to full approval by the Department for Transport (DfT); this was granted in July 2012. All revenue and capital costs will be contained within existing budgets.
<b>Issues considered</b>	Social Inclusion; Customer Focus; Sustainability.
<b>Consultation undertaken</b>	Cabinet Member; Stakeholders/Partners; Other Public Sector Bodies; Section 151 Finance Officer;
<b>How consultation was carried out</b>	Via e mail, briefings and face to face meetings.
<b>Other options considered</b>	None. Works to trunk roads require legal approval as do works on land not in Council control. A mechanism enabling the Council to work with partner organisations is necessary.

<b>Signatures of Decision Makers</b>	
<b>Date of Signature</b>	

**Subject to Call-in until 5 Working days have elapsed following publication of the decision**