

Decision Register Entry

Single Member Cabinet Decision

Executive Forward Plan Reference	E3448
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A37 Whitchurch Crossing

Decision maker/s	CIlr Sarah Warren, Cabinet Member for Climate and Sustainable Travel
The Issue	<p>Executive Forward Plan Reference E3394 delegated the decision to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) agree the proposed shortlists to be taken forward to preliminary design and engagement; and b) following preliminary design and engagement and final design and consultation, implement the shortlisted interventions; <p>to the Cabinet Member for Sustainable Transport and Directors of Place Management and Sustainable Communities, in consultation with cabinet and ward members.</p> <p>Executive Forward Plan Reference E3404 agreed the proposed shortlist to be taken forward to preliminary design and engagement. As part of this report it was also agreed to 'fast track' the measures comprising the proposed A37 crossing.</p> <p>The preliminary design and engagement on the measures comprising the proposed A37 crossing is now complete, and there is a desire to proceed to final design, consultation and implementation.</p>
Decision Date	21st March 2023
The decision	<p>Make a decision to proceed to final design, consultation and implementation for the measures comprising the proposed A37 crossing.</p> <p>Approve advertising a Notice of Intent in relation to the proposed controlled crossing, informing the public of the proposals. Subject to any objections or representations received, approve officers to proceed to a Notice of Construction.</p> <p>Approve the spend for this phase of the programme, which is in part covered by a Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) contribution of £338,310.</p>
Rationale for decision	To enable the project to maintain its current timetable and deliver maximum benefit and value to the community as soon as possible.
Financial and budget implications	The funding allocated to implement the Liveable Neighbourhoods programme and associated Resident's Parking Zone

	<p>improvements comprises:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A £6m allocation secured through the City Region Sustainable Transport Settlement, of which the WECA Grant is £5m and £1m is the match funding required from B&NES to meet it's 20% minimum requirement for local contribution. • The £1m match funding in turn comes from the £2.2m supported borrowing allocation confirmed in the Council's Capital Programme in February 2022 budget setting. • Total funding approved to date is £3.2m, which includes funding of £800K from the Council's Strategic Transport Infrastructure CIL allocation and £220K from the Council's Project Initiation Fund. These last two sources will be restored on receipt of the full WECA Grant and future borrowing funded by Resident's Parking Zone income. <p>The total funding allocated is sufficient to complete the design of all the shortlisted interventions across the 15 areas in the LN programme and to deliver the three LN pilots and seven new Resident's Parking Zones. WECA have agreed to fund £440K towards scheme development and design and then once the Full Business Case (FBC) is submitted and approved they will release £4.56m of CRSTS grant to deliver across the project. The FBC will also determine the extent to which costs incurred to date will be eligible as match funding.</p> <p>The report in Appendix A notes that the cost of the works is estimated to be approximately £512,000, including a 10% contingency allowance.</p>
Issues considered	Social inclusion, sustainability and equality.
Consultation undertaken	Consultation has been undertaken with the Directors of Sustainable Communities and Place Management, together with cabinet and ward members plus Section 151 Finance Officer and the Monitoring Officer.
How consultation was carried out	Via email.
Other options considered	None
Declaration of interest by Cabinet Member(s) for decision:	None

Any conflict of interest declared by anyone who is consulted by a Member taking the decision:	None
Name and Signature of Decision Maker/s	Cllr Sarah Warren, Cabinet Member for Climate and Sustainable Travel
Date of Signature	21 st March 2023
Subject to Call-in until 5 Working days have elapsed following publication of the decision	