

Committee Name and Date of Committee Meeting

Delegated Officer Decision – 25 July 2023

Report Title

Transport Capital Programme – entry of projects

Is this a Key Decision and has it been included on the Forward Plan?

No, but it has been included on the Forward Plan

Strategic Director Approving Submission of the Report

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Ward(s) Affected

Borough-Wide

Report Summary

Further to the Cabinet report on 19th December 2022 for Local Neighbourhood and Road Safety schemes, this report seeks approval for entry of schemes into the following themes of the Transport Capital Programme –

- Local Neighbourhood & Road Safety
- Collision Investigation & Prevention

Recommendations

1. That Local Neighbourhood and Road Safety schemes listed in paragraph 2.1 and Appendix 1 are approved for entry into the Transport Capital Programme;
2. That Collision Investigation and Prevention schemes listed in paragraph 2.2 and Appendix 2 are approved for entry into the Transport Capital Programme;

List of Appendices Included

- Appendix 1 Project Mandates for schemes entering Local Neighbourhood & Road Safety Programme
- Appendix 2 Project Mandates for schemes entering Collision Investigation & Prevention programme

- Appendix 3 Summary of extant and proposed approvals under the Transport Capital Programme
- Appendix 4 Initial Equality Impact Screening Assessment – Part A
- Appendix 5 Carbon Impact Assessment

Background Papers

None

Consideration by any other Council Committee, Scrutiny or Advisory Panel

Cabinet – 19 December 2022

Cabinet – 24 April 2023

Council Approval Required

No

Exempt from the Press and Public

No

Transport Capital Programme – entry of projects

1. Background

- 1.1 Indicative budgets for the Local Neighbourhood and Road Safety Programme were approved by Cabinet in December 2022.

Nominal allocations were indicated for wards in tranche 1 as set out below; wards not listed will be given allocations in tranche 2 pending prioritisation of that funding.

Ward	Indicative budget 2022-25 (£ thousands)
Anston & Woodsetts	120
Swinton Rockingham	120
Bramley & Ravenfield	120
Hellaby & Maltby West	120
Hoober	120
Maltby East	120
Thurcroft & Wickersley South	120
Rotherham West	120
Wales	120
Rawmarsh East	120
Boston Castle	120
Greasbrough	120
Kilnhurst & Swinton East	120
Total	1,560

- 1.2 Details of specific schemes and budgets were not available at the December 2022 report. Delegation was therefore approved for entry of projects into the programme once more detail was available. This report seeks approval for programme entry for specific schemes into the Local Neighbourhood and Road Safety Programme.
- 1.3 An indicative budget of £90,000 for the Collision Investigation & Prevention Programme was approved by Cabinet in April 2023. Details of specific schemes and budgets were not available at that time. Delegation was therefore approved for entry of projects into the programme once more detail was available. This report seeks approval for programme entry for specific schemes into the Collision Investigation & Prevention Programme.

2. Key Issues

2.1 **Local Neighbourhood and Road Safety**

Following scheme development and engagement with Ward Members, it is proposed to enter the following projects(s) into the capital programme under the LNRS theme. Further detail on the projects is included at Appendix 1.

<i>Project</i>	<i>Ward</i>	<i>Value (£000s)</i>	<i>of which</i>	
			<i>CRSTS</i>	<i>RMBC capital</i>
Broom Valley 20mph zone with associated traffic calming & pedestrian facilities	Boston Castle	120	102	18
Pedestrian crossing facilities, Flash Lane near Bill Chafer Youth Centre	Bramley and Ravenfield	120	102	18
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 20mph in Scarbrorough Crescent area - HGV restrictions in Little London - Review of terminus of 30mph speed limit on A634 - Review of parking on Tickhill Road - Speed management measures at Stone 	Maltby East	120	102	18
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Traffic calming, various streets - Psalters Lane, one way traffic 	Rotherham West	120	102	18
Traffic calming in Brampton-en-le-Morthen	Wickersley South & Thurcroft	120	102	18

2.2 **Collision Investigation & Prevention**

Following the requisite technical studies into sites with a history of recorded injury collisions, it is proposed to enter the following projects(s) into the capital programme under the Collision Investigation & Prevention theme. Further detail on the projects is included at Appendix 2.

<i>Project</i>	<i>Ward</i>	<i>Value (£)</i>
Studies informing 23/24 schemes (below)	n/a	16,037
Bawtry Road junction with Atlas Street – signing improvement	Brinsworth	1,500
Hard Lane junction with Penny Hill Lane – signing, lining and visibility improvement	Thurcroft	37,000
Preparatory work for 24/25 programme	n/a	19,160
Programme contingency	n/a	16,303
	Total	90,000

3. **Options considered and recommended proposal**

- 3.1 Option 1 – do not approve programme entry of the projects. This would severely impact on delivery of the programme, and would carry significant reputational risks, in respect of –
- Local members and communities having their expectations of improvement in their communities not met.
 - Risk that funding partners may be influenced by a perceived lack of commitment and/or delivery in RMBC.
 - In respect of the Collision Investigation & Prevention programme, additional may compromise the ability of the authority to discharge its duty under Road Traffic Act 1991 section 29(3)(a) .

This option is not recommended.

- 3.2 Option 2 – approve programme entry as set out. This is the recommended option.

4. **Consultation on proposal**

- 4.1 Consultation on individual projects takes place at levels consistent with the scale of each project. For example, small schemes often engage with Ward Councillors and local community interests whereas larger schemes require wider community and public engagement. Further detail on engagement for each project is given in Appendix 1.
- 4.2 The Cabinet member for Transport and Environment has been consulted on, and supports the proposal (12th July '23)
- 4.3 The Section 151 Officer has been consulted on, and supports, the proposal (21st July, '23)

5. **Timetable and Accountability for Implementing this Decision**

5.1 Following approval of the Council's transport capital programme budget, the programme will be delivered as part of the capital programme of the Council.

5.2 Further detail on timescales can be found in Appendix 1.

6. Financial and Procurement Advice and Implications (to be written by the relevant Head of Finance and the Head of Procurement on behalf of s151 Officer)

6.1 Where there is a need to engage third party suppliers to support the delivery of the programme, these must be procured in compliance with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended) and the Council's own Financial and Procurement Procedure Rules.

6.2 The projects described in the report are funded from the council's approved capital programme, with further detail provided in the Transport Capital Programme Report to Cabinet on 24th April '23.

7. Legal Advice and Implications (to be written by Legal Officer on behalf of Assistant Director Legal Services)

7.1 There are no specific legal implications associated with the inclusion of the projects in the programme. The projects themselves will have legal implications and require legal assistance. For example, this may include the acquisition of land in third party ownership, contracts with third party suppliers and the development of Traffic Regulation Orders.

8. Human Resources Advice and Implications

8.1 There are no direct human resources implications arising from this report.

9. Implications for Children and Young People and Vulnerable Adults

9.1 The proposed vertical traffic calming schemes can be expected to reduce the incidence of road traffic collisions by ~60-70% in relevant areas. As noted in the Initial Equality Screening Assessment, children and young people are disproportionately vulnerable to road traffic collisions, and so the collision saving benefit should be particularly felt by children and young people.

10. Equalities and Human Rights Advice and Implications

10.1 Screening indicates potential benefits in respect of reductions in the incidence of road traffic collisions, and improved access. These are expected to reduce inequalities in the transport system. Further information is included at Appendix 3.

11. Implications for CO2 Emissions and Climate Change

11.1 CO₂ emissions impacts have not been quantified. At high level it is anticipated these will fall into three categories –

- Emissions from transport (impact unknown, likely negligible)
- Emissions from construction (forecast increase emissions)
- Operational emissions (forecast increase emissions)

11.3 Further detail can be found in the Carbon Impact Assessment at Appendix 4.

12. Implications for Partners

12.1 Where required engagement takes place with interested parties during scheme development and at construction. Any implications that may arise through specific measures would be addressed as part the scheme design and / or Traffic Regulation Order process that governs the operation and use of the road network. Further detail on engagement strategy is given in Appendix 1 as appropriate.

13. Risks and Mitigation

13.1 Project risks are identified within scheme design, business case preparation and then at operational level during the construction process. These are managed using recognised risk register approaches and in accordance with the Council's contract procedure rules for the approval of any project or programme changes.

13.2 Further detail in respect of project risk is included in Appendices 1 & 2.

14. Accountable Officers

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Approvals obtained on behalf of Statutory Officers: -

	Named Officer	Date
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Strategic Director of Finance & Customer Services (S.151 Officer)	Named officer	Click here to enter a date.
Head of Legal Services (Monitoring Officer)	Named officer	Click here to enter a date.

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