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Dear Cllr Thorp

**Council Meeting – Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2024**

Thank you for your supplementary question to Council on 17<sup>th</sup> July 2024.

You explained that, under regional sustainable transport, it stated that the Council should put 15% of the funds in. and asked if the Council had done it.

I can advise that the 15% contribution referred to in the supplementary question is assumed to relate to the TCF guidance, whereby it stated that bidding/accountable bodies (SYMCA in this case) have to demonstrate a contribution of 15% through the submission of the business case. For clarity, this is common with central government funding opportunities, with expected local contributions usually around 25%.

The Council considered its options for match funding and put forward the financial values of several schemes that it had already committed to fund. This included funding secured through the Local Growth Fund (Parkway Widening), the then Integrated Transport block allocations and any local allocations that were committed to related schemes, such as highway maintenance and traffic signal maintenance.

In addition, private sector commitments secured through the planning process, S106 and S278 agreements were also included. Essentially, no additional funds that weren't already committed were used to make up Rotherham's share of SYMCA's demonstration of the 15%.

For clarity, this was only required for the TCF funding, and not the ATF2 funding for Broom Lane.

I hope you find this helpful.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R Taylor', with a small flourish at the end.

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