

## ROTHERHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL – REPORT TO MEMBERS

1.	<b>Meeting:</b>	<b>Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Development</b>
2.	<b>Date:</b>	<b>Friday 5 April 2013</b>
3.	<b>Title:</b>	<b>Response to consultation on Highways Agency Managed Motorways proposals M1 between junction 28 and 31.</b>
4.	<b>Programme Area:</b>	<b>Environment and Development Services</b>

### 5. Summary

The report sets out the suggested response to the Highways Agency's (HA) consultation on the proposed Managed Motorways proposals on the M1 motorway between junction 28 and 31. The proposals involve the introduction of a new All Lane Running standard which sees the conversion of the Hard Shoulder to a permanent running lane and the introduction of a variable mandatory speed limit.

### 6. Recommendations

It is recommended that Cabinet Member:

- i) Endorses the proposed consultation response attached at Appendix 1.
  - ii) Due to the deadline authorisation from the Mayor is sought for the decision to be exempt from the call-in procedure.
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## **7. Proposals and Details**

### **Background**

In early 2012 the Highways Agency (HA) announced their intention to undertake improvements to the national motorway network, including capacity improvements on the M1 between Junctions 28 to 31 and 32 to 35A. Details of the proposals were recently reported to Cabinet on 16 January 2013.

The Highways Agency have now commenced their consultation on the proposed scheme and have written to us to seeking our views. The consultation documents can be found at

The consultation poses 3 questions these are shown on the consultation form along with the suggested response at Appendix 1.

On the 4 February 2013 Cabinet Member endorsed the response to the HA's consultation for the Managed Motorways scheme between M1 J32 and 35a, minute number G92 refers.

It should be noted that the principles of the response endorsed at the 4 February 2013 meeting are common to any section of the Motorway where the All Lane Running (ALR) standard is proposed. As there have been no changes to the ALR standard since this time there is therefore no change to our position in relation to it and the response attached at Appendix 1 raises the same concerns and issues.

### **Timescale**

The consultation deadline is the 10 April 2013. Due to the deadline authorisation from the Mayor is sought for the decision to be exempt from the call-in procedure.

### **8. Finance**

None.

### **9. Risks and Uncertainties**

As set out in the report to Cabinet 16 January 2013

### **10. Policy and Performance Agenda Implications**

As set out in the report to Cabinet 16 January 2013

### **11. Background Papers and Consultation**

Cabinet report 16 January 2013

Highways Agency consultation letter and pack:

(<http://www.highways.gov.uk/consultations/m1-junctions-28-to-31-managed-motorway-scheme-consultation>.)

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