Proposed Amendments to the Approved Highways and Transport Capital Programmes

Project Details									
No	Scheme Name	Division/District	Change Required	Original Approved Allocation	Additional Funding Required	Released Funding	Proposed Scheme Allocation		
			2017/18 New Start Bridges						
1.	Lancaster A601(M)	Lancaster Rural North	Lancashire County Council recently secured £3.711m funding from the DfT Maintenance Challenge Fund Tranche 2A for improvements to Greyhound Bridge. The county council was able to make a submission at short notice to meet the DfT timetable because the business case and scheme design had been previously developed. The timetable for DfT Challenge Fund Tranche 2B submissions has not yet been announced but indications are that an announcement may be made following the Chancellor's autumn statement. In order to be in a position to take advantage of this potential funding stream a Strategic Outline Business Case (SOBC) and scheme development needs to be undertaken in advance of the bid. The scheme considered to meet the anticipated criteria and be deliverable with in the likely timeframe relates to structural improvements to the bridges on the A601(M) in Lancaster and other associated maintenance requirements including carriageway resurfacing and upgrading the central reservation safety barrier. The cost of developing a SOBC and likely development work is estimated at £100,000. It is proposed that this is funded by additional borrowing due to the approved 2017/18 Bridges allocation being fully committed. In addition, there are a number of other pressures relating to the county council's bridges stock that cannot be funded from the bridges programme if the level of funding allocated to bridges remains at £3 million in 2018/19 -2020/21. A separate report will be presented to Cabinet regarding this issue in the coming months.	£0	£100,000	£0	£100,000		
			Revised 2017/18 New Start Bridges	£0	£100,000	£0	£100,000		
			2017/18 National Productivity Investment Fund (NPIF) – Direct Grant Award			1 1			
2.	M65 junctions 8 and 9 Improvements	Padiham and Burnley West	In late July 2017, Highways England announced a further round of submissions to the Growth and Housing Fund (GHF). The county council has identified two bids relating to the M55 (proposed Junction 2) and M65 (Junctions 8 and 9 improvements). Each bid requires private developer match funding of at least 10% of the total estimated scheme cost. However, no private developer contributions are currently available for the M65 proposals. Highways England has subsequently confirmed that this bid can still be considered if the county council agrees to underwrite private developer match funding. It is proposed that the county council underwrites the minimum 10% match funding requirement for the M65 bid which equates to £219,900. If the bid is successful it will realise GHF funding of £529,100. It is proposed that this is allocated from the 2017/18 NPIF direct grant award. The county council will look to recover this, where possible, from future S106 contributions.	£0	£219,900	£0	£219,900		
			Revised 2017/18 National Productivity Investment Fund (NPIF) – Direct Grant Award	£0	£219,900	£0	£219,900		
			2016/17 New Start Drainage						
3.	Branksome Avenue, Thornton Cleveleys	Cleveleys South and Carleton, Wyre	This project was originally allocated £20,000 for drainage investigations and repairs in the area. However, following discussions with Wyre Borough Council regarding third party land, it was agreed that Wyre BC would resolve the flood risk issues and therefore this scheme is no longer necessary. It is therefore proposed that the project is cancelled and the monies are released back into the programme to support other projects.	£20,000	£O	£20,000	£0		
			Revised 2016/17 New Start Drainage	£20,000	£0	£20,000	£0		

			2012/13 New Start Pennine Reach				
4.	Pennine Reach	Accrington North, Accrington South, Accrington West and Oswaldtwistle Central, Great Harwood Rishton and Clayton-le- Moors, Oswaldtwistle	This project was originally allocated £2,730,000 as a contribution from LCC into the Pennine Reach Project which is a major bus transport scheme in Hyndburn and Blackburn The project is now in the latter stages but the costs associated with purchasing the land for the new Accrington Bus Station and demolishing the old bus station have increased above the original estimated cost which cannot be contained within the scheme budget without compromising the completion of the remaining elements of work, including the provision of residents parking at Frank Street in Clayton-le-Moor, the Hare and Hound bus lane and bus priority at traffic signals, all of which are key to the success of the project. It is proposed that the required funding is funded by borrowing to allow the project to be completed.	£2,730,000	£271,000	£0	£3,001,000
			Revised 2012/13 New Start Pennine Reach	£2,730,000	£271,000	£0	£3,001,000
			2015/16 New Start Bridges				
5.	305B1 Town End Canal	Morecambe North, Lancaster	This project was allocated £14,167 for an options study. The study is now drawing to a close and requires an additional £4,000 to be able to complete the final parts of the study as the on-site development works are more extensive than originally anticipated. It is proposed that the additional funding required is allocated from the unallocated budget within the programme.	£14,167	£4,000	£O	£18,167
			Revised 2015/16 New Start Bridges	£14,167	£4,000	£0	£18,167