

Report to the Cabinet

Meeting to be held on Thursday, 10 May 2018

Report of the Head of Service Policy, Information and Commissioning (Live Well)

Part I

Electoral Divisions affected:
Lancaster Central,
Accrington North,
Accrington South,
Accrington West,
Rossendale East,
Rossendale North,
Rossendale South,
Rossendale West,
Whitworth, Fylde West,
Euxton, Buckshaw and
Astley, Cleveleys South
and Carleton,
Skelmersdale West,
Hoghton With Wheelton,
Lancaster Rural North,
West Lancashire East

Proposed Amendments to the Highways and Transport Capital Programmes (Appendix 'A' refers)

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Executive Summary

As part of the normal process of service delivery the approved Highways and Transport Capital Programmes now require certain amendments in order to meet emerging priorities and to respond to some unanticipated service demands. The proposed amendments are set out at Appendix 'A'.

This is deemed to be a Key Decision and the provisions of Standing Order 25 have been complied with.

Recommendation

Cabinet is requested to approve the proposed amendments to the Highways and Transport Capital Programmes as outlined at Appendix 'A'.

Background and Advice

Proposed amendments to the Highways and Transport Capital Programmes

The following detailed highway and transport capital programmes of work have previously been approved by the Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport:

- 2014/15 New Starts Programme - 27 January 2014
- 2015/16 New Starts Programme - 5 March 2015
- 2017/18 New Starts Programme - 13 March 2017
- 2018/19 New Starts Programme - 8 March 2018

Proposed amendments to these programmes are detailed within Appendix 'A'.

The most significant proposed amendment to financial allocations is for new starts 2018/19 in relation to the Department for Transport Pothole Action Fund Allocation. On 8th March 2018 Cabinet approved that £1.194 million awarded by the Department for Transport (Pothole Action Fund) be added to the 2017/18 Highways block of the capital programme. Cabinet also approved that this be supplemented with an additional £0.806 million, creating a £2 million allocation. This will be used to undertake repairs across Lancashire on sections of roads in a condition which requires the most regular visits to keep them safe and serviceable, in line with the conditions of the Pothole Action Fund. Cabinet approved that the locations would be ranked on a countywide basis and that the proposed treatments could include patching, surface dressing and resurfacing depending on the nature of the problem.

On 26th March 2018, the Department for Transport awarded the County Council an additional £2.393 million from a £100 million national allocation to repair potholes and protect local roads from future severe weather. It is proposed at Appendix 'A' that this additional funding be added to and apportioned in line with the £2 million allocation described above, thus creating a total allocation of £4.393 million. It is also proposed that a programme of work for this total allocation be developed and delivered in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport.

Consultations

N/A

Implications:

This item has the following implications, as indicated:

Risk management

The changes to the highway and transport programmes are required to ensure that emerging priorities and unanticipated service demands can be addressed.

Financial

The financial implications of the proposed changes at Appendix 'A' can be accommodated within the overall approved programme allocations.

It is proposed that the additional £2.393 million awarded by the Department for Transport to repair potholes and protect local roads from future severe weather be added to and apportioned in line with the £2 million allocation described above, thus creating a total allocation of £4.393 million.

List of Background Papers

Paper	Date	Contact/Tel
N/A		
Reason for inclusion in Part II, if appropriate		
N/A		