

Report to the Cabinet

Meeting to be held on Thursday, 6 October 2022

Report of the Director of Highways and Transport

Part I

Electoral Division affected:
Preston Rural;

Corporate Priorities:
Protecting our environment;

Woodplumpton and Catforth Traffic Calming Schemes - Revised Budget

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Brief Summary

Woodplumpton and Catforth traffic calming schemes were added to the capital programme in October 2019 with budget allocation of £12,500 for design fees. Both schemes are to be funded by Woodplumpton Parish Council using monies received from local developments via the Community Infrastructure Levy monies payable to parish councils – therefore all costs to the county council will be recovered.

A budget increase to £307,660.74 is now required to enable progression of both schemes and delivery of the Woodplumpton scheme, for which Woodplumpton Parish Council has entered into a Section 278 agreement with Lancashire County Council.

Recommendation

Cabinet is asked to approve the revision to the budget, as set out in the report, to support delivery of a traffic calming scheme in Woodplumpton, and further work on a scheme in Catforth, subject to payment of scheme costs and any additional costs by Woodplumpton Parish Council under S278 Agreements, subject to the decision elsewhere on the agenda to proceed with the scheme.

Detail

The county council's Infrastructure Delivery Team has been working alongside Woodplumpton Parish Council, providing design, transport planning and project



management services, to support the aspiration for and delivery of traffic calming schemes to provide safety improvements for all road users in the villages of Catforth and Woodplumpton.

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The Woodplumpton scheme is proposed for delivery in Autumn 2022 with the Catforth scheme to follow in 2023. Both schemes will be constructed by Lancashire County Council Highway Services (Operations) under separate S278 Agreements.

Approval is sought to revise the project budget to £307,660.74 (an increase of £295,160.74) to enable delivery of the Woodplumpton scheme and further work on the Catforth scheme subject to payment of costs by the parish council.

The revised budget will provide for:

- **Preparatory costs for both schemes** (undertaking of stage 2 Road Safety Audit, preparation and advertisement of various Traffic Regulation Orders, allowance for design revisions, development of detailed design information and construction pack, services provided by Lancashire County Council Estates Team, services provided by British Telecom, project management, and staff time associated with additional reporting if required).
- **Delivery costs for the Woodplumpton scheme only** (material, construction, site supervision, temporary traffic orders, traffic management).
- **Land compensation costs associated with agreed acquisition of land at Whittle Hill, Woodplumpton** to facilitate a new turning head associated with the proposed road closure (prohibition of driving) at the junction of Whittle Hill and Newsham Hall Lane.

The parish council has entered into a Section 278 agreement with Lancashire County Council in relation to highway works in Woodplumpton. A further budget revision will be required upon receipt of a Section 278 agreement for highway works in Catforth to enable delivery of the second scheme.

Consultations

The Woodplumpton and Catforth traffic calming schemes have been subject to public consultation led by the parish council in December 2021 which has helped to shape the design.

Traffic orders associated with the proposed scheme in Woodplumpton were advertised during a public consultation period between 15 July 2022 to 12 August 2022 (extended to 26 August 2022 at the request of Preston City Council).



Implications:

This item has the following implications, as indicated:

Risk management

The opportunity to work collaboratively with Woodplumpton Parish Council to develop a scheme and utilise Community Infrastructure Levy funds to support network management and road safety enhancement in the area may be lost.

Financial

The costs associated with both schemes will be recovered in full from Woodplumpton Parish Council. Section 278 agreements provide/will provide for any additional costs to be paid by Woodplumpton Parish Council.

Legal

Woodplumpton Parish Council has entered into a Section 278 agreement with Lancashire County Council in relation to highway works in Woodplumpton.

Actual highway works in Catforth will not be progressed until a Section 278 agreement is in place relating to highway works in Catforth.

List of Background Papers

Paper	Date	Contact/Tel
Adding a Scheme to the Capital Programme – Woodplumpton & Catforth Traffic Calming Scheme	18 October 2019	Andrew Mullaney (01772) 534190

Reason for inclusion in Part II, if appropriate

N/A

