

## **WEST AREA CORRIDOR FUNDING**

### **Note to Members of Cambridge City -West Area Committee (Revised)**

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#### **1.0 INTRODUCTION**

1.1 The purpose of this paper is to inform Members of the process for allocating Corridor Area Transport Plan (CATP) S106 funding. It is also to update on progress on funding and schemes. Views of the Committee are also welcome on additional schemes for future consideration and assessment for funding.

#### **2.0 BACKGROUND**

2.1 Transport s106 contributions are collected in Cambridge City and South Cambridgeshire largely through the Corridor Area Transport Plan (CATP) process. Contributions are collected from a number of developments, towards a range of schemes and principles that are included in the plans

2.2 The plans have been formally adopted by the City, South Cambridgeshire and the County and the allocation of funds must adhere to the principles in the plans. This is principally about mitigating the impacts of growth and improving accessibility and travel by sustainable modes.

2.3 A process is in place between Cambridge, South Cambridgeshire and Cambridgeshire, for making recommendations for allocating the pot of S106 funding which currently includes some £156,874 for the Western Corridor, £239,199 for the Eastern Corridor and £2.6m for the Southern Corridor. The Plans themselves form the starting point for considering schemes for funding, and officers from the authorities are asked for views on appropriate schemes that mitigate the effect of additional transport related movements from new development.

2.4 Views are also sought from the Area Committees on proposed schemes as well as suggestions for schemes which fit with the objectives of the CATP. Suggestions are then assessed using a Project Assessment Form, to establish a value for money score. The schemes and their assessment results are then taken back to the Area Committees to seek views on priorities/ additional schemes for consideration

2.5 Further consideration is then undertaken on the proposals to ensure fit with Area Transport Corridor Plan approach ahead of making

recommendations to Lead Portfolio holder and Cabinet for proposed funding allocations.

### 3.0 PROGRESS UPDATE

3.1 The table below sets out status and next steps with projects in the Western Corridor.

| <b>WCAPT Schemes</b>                                    | <b>Original S106 funding allocation</b> | <b>Current Status</b>                     | <b>Next Steps</b> | <b>Date</b> |
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| Madingley Rd Cycleway Improv                            | £246,000                                | Complete                                  |                   |             |
| Increased frequency of Citi service 6                   | £475,000                                | Complete                                  |                   |             |
| Cambridge-Cambourne – St Neots bus service improvements | £500,000                                | Complete                                  |                   |             |
| Ring Road Signage                                       | £13,000                                 | Project in progress due to complete 13/14 | Complete project  | March 2014  |
| Improvements to western bus journeys                    | £10,000                                 | Complete                                  |                   |             |

The table below sets out status and next steps with projects in the Southern Corridor.

| <b>SCAPT Scheme</b>  | <b>Original S106 Funding allocation</b> | <b>Current status</b>  | <b>Next Steps</b>   | <b>Date</b> |
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| Lighting the guided busway cycle way   | £100,000                                | A Design Brief has been prepared, planning applications being prepared | Discussions with Planning Officers. <b>May need additional budget</b>                       | Jan-14      |
| Feasibility study into installation of bridge linking Leisure park & CB1Station area | £12,500                                 | To be commenced  | Initial stages of work have flagged a land rights issue. Following a small change in layout | Oct 2013    |

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|   |          |   | between outline and detailed planning permission there is now an issue with the landing site for the bridge. This will need to be resolved before any further work is carried out.           |          |
| Remodelling Long Road Cycleways   | £100,000 | Package of minor improvements has been developed and detailed cost estimate obtained. Two cost options, one at £150,000 and one at £180,000 | <b>Additional £80,000 needed for scheme.</b> Consultation on scheme.   | Jan-14   |
| Improvements to Brooklands Avenue Bus Stops & Shared use paths              | £50,000  | City Council has commenced design of improvements to shared use path. Bus   | Follow up discussions with local members to ascertain specific issues to be addressed  | Apr-14   |
| Improvements to Cherry Hinton High St traffic calming                       | £250,000 | Two consultation events have been held in Cherry Hinton to seek the public's view on how the High Street could be improved.                 | Consultation responses to be reviewed. Discussions with local members. Start to develop range of options for consultation. <b>Likely to need additional funds for a high quality scheme.</b> | Jan-14   |
| Ring Road and Radial Route Signing review                                   | £50,000  | Scope of Project to be defined in consultation with members to ascertain problems.  | Surveys/sign audits undertaken.  | Aug 2013 |
| Feasibility study into improving access from Hauxton Road Bridge to Busway: | £10,000  | To be commenced   | Follow up with local members to ascertain specific issues to be addressed in project. Queries have been raised regarding specific need for   | Apr-14   |

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| Hills Road Bridge Steps | £500,000 | Mott McDonald are developing designs which includes a steel structure incorporating steps. | Review designs. If planning required submit application. | Jan-14 |

The table below sets out status and next steps with projects in the Eastern Corridor.

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| RTPI along Coldhams Lane                      | £155,000 | Continuing to install RTPI along this transport corridor  | Final phase to be completed in 2013/14  | April 2014<br>Finish     |
| Newmarket Road bus priority- part 1           | £100,000 | Detailed design work to start. Consultation with the local community  | 3 options have been drawn up which now need to be assessed by the road safety team. Consultation with members and local residents                       | Oct 2013<br><br>Nov 2013 |
| Crossing provision, Ditton Lane/Newmarket Rd  | £60,000  | Following preliminary work, modeling of impact of potential schemes has begun. To be wrapped up with review of Newmarket Road/Ditton Lane roundabout. | Once modeling is complete, options will be worked up. Further funding may be required and so may return to the Area Committee for a further allocation. | Jan-14                   |
| The Tins Phase 2                              | £275,000 | Ongoing discussions with landowner. Scheme proposal has been consulted on via extensive letter drop. Good level of support.                           | Detailed negotiations with landowners on purchase of land and timings for construction  | Apr-14                   |
| Radial Route Signing                          | £50,000  | Currently the team responsible are assessing the scope of the project.  | Carry out an audit on existing signs on the radial route.   | Jan 2014                 |
| Feasibility study into installation of bridge | £12,500  | To be commenced   | Initial stages of work have flagged   | Oct 2013                 |

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| linking Leisure park & CB1 Station area  |  |   | a land rights issue. Following a small change in layout between outline and detailed planning permission there is now an issue with the landing site for the bridge. This will need to be resolved before any further work is carried out. |                   |
| Removal of unnecessary street signage  | £50,000  | Currently the team responsible are assessing the scope of the project.                    | Carry out an audit on existing signs within the city but not on the radial route.  | Jan 2014          |
| Refreshing cycle path and cycle lane Perne Rd/Cherry Hinton Rd r/about, traffic flow and safety issues | £105,000   | Project being considered as part of on-going programme of cycle works.                    | Engagement with local members to understand issues and to begin work on scope of the scheme.   | Apr-14            |
| Contraflow cycling signage. First Phase - 15 sites across the city, with a number in East Area.        | £50,000  | Possible schemes are now with Road Safety Team to undertake Safety Audits on each scheme. | Focussed consultations on each individual scheme.  | Jan-14            |
| Tenison Rd traffic calming scheme  | £245,370 ( Match funded with an additional £250,000) | Preliminary designs are complete and currently being reviewed by CCC and the City         | Consultation on preliminary designs before detailed design work is complete.   | Dec 2013/Jan 2014 |

### Next Steps in the Approval/Implementation Process

- 4.1 Views from the Area Committee will be fed back and considered when making recommendations on proposals for funding allocations to a future County Cabinet meeting. Following Cabinet approval to allocate s106 funding to any scheme, the usual separate approval scheme process will follow, with design and consultation on proposed options prior to implementation.
- 4.2 The Area Committees is asked to note the programme for progressing schemes in the area and welcome your views on other suggestions

/schemes for consideration and assessment of fit with Area Corridor funding.