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THE RESULTS OF THE AREA BOARD 'SUBSTANTIVE HIGHWAY SCHEME' FUNDING BID PROCESS FOR 2020-21

Purpose of Report

To announce the results of the distribution of the Local Transport Plan (LTP) Area Board 'Substantive Highway Scheme' budget of £150,000 in 2020/21.

Consultation

The Cabinet Member report that outlined and approved the mechanism for applying for Substantive Highway Scheme funding was circulated to all Members and Community Area Managers in July 2011. In addition, informal consultation on the Substantive Highway Scheme funding mechanism and the opportunity to bid for funding has taken place at the Area Board Community Area Transport Group meetings since that time.

Options Considered

The mechanism that was approved in July 2011 for distributing the Substantive Highway Scheme Fund awards funding according to value for money and deliverability. Under this mechanism, value for money is the ratio of the cost and benefit of the prospective scheme and deliverability is an assessment of how challenging a scheme would be to implement within a given financial year, considering technical, legal/procedural, operational, financial and public factors. Appendix 1 sets out the Substantive Highway Scheme Bid Evaluation Formula incorporating the above.

Seven bids were received this year and the total amount bid for exceeds the proposed allocation for the Substantive Highway Scheme Fund in 2020/21. All of the bids have been scored using the Substantive Highway Scheme Bid Evaluation Formula which ranks the schemes according to cost-benefit and deliverability. It is proposed that Substantive Highway Scheme funding be awarded to the top four bids which scored best according to cost-benefit and deliverability. The results are set out in Appendix 2 with the successful schemes highlighted in bold.

A sum of £2,600 will remain unallocated and used as a contingency.

Reason for Decision

There needs to be a mechanism for delivering Area Board transport scheme priorities that exceed the Area Board's available discretionary highway budget and are unable to be implemented in phases over time. The agreed methodology and the application of the

Substantive Highway Scheme Bid Evaluation Formula has resulted in four scheme bids being awarded Substantive Highway Scheme funding in the 2020/21 financial year.

INTENTION TO MAKE DECISION/DECISION MADE

I approve that the results of the Substantive Highway Scheme funding mechanism as set out in Appendix 2 be approved.

This decision was published on 23 October 2019 and will come into force on 31 October 2019.

The following report and appendices are attached:

HTW - 25-19 Report
HTW - 25-19 App1
HTW - 25-19 App2

The following supporting documents are available from the officer named above:

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Cabinet Member for Highways, Transport and Waste

Date:....23 October 2019