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Meeting & Date:	Joint Strategic Economic Committee - 1 July 2016		
Subject:	Highlight Reports 15/16 and 16/17		
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Summary & Recommendation:
<p>Summary</p> <p>1. Introduction</p> <p>Highlight Reports were presented to the SWLEP Board meeting on 11 May. This paper outlines key points contained within the Highlight Reports.</p> <p>2. Highlight Reports – Key Points</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two projects have now been completed – LTB A350 Improvements (Bumpers to Brook) and A429 Malmesbury. • Construction work is about to start on the New Eastern Villages Greenbridge Roundabout project. • Modelling work is being carried out on a number of the New Eastern Villages projects that will determine the proposed technical solution and also the associated programme of work. More detail will be known shortly.

- Construction work is about to begin on the **Porton Science Park** project.
- The Outline Business Case (OBC) for **A350 Chippenham Bypass Dualling (Badger-Brook & Chequers)** was approved at the Board meeting on 11 May. Work is underway on the Full Business Case (FBC) which is due for completion in March 2017.
- WSP Parsons Brinkerhoff have been appointed as consultant for the **Chippenham Station Hub** project. The Options Appraisal Report (OAR) and Appraisal Specification Report (ASR) are underway.
- **M4 Junction 15** – this project has now received funding from Highway’s England Growth and Housing Fund and can release its allocated £3.7m of funding back to the Growth Deal pot for allocation by SWLEP Board.
- The Full Business Case (FBC) for M4 Junction 16 was approved at the Board meeting on 11 May, subject to final tenders being received. Construction work is due to start in July.
- The confirmation of the Compulsory Purchase Order (CPO) for land required for the **Swindon Bus Exchange** project has been challenged and is currently going through a judicial review. Timescales for the project will be clarified when this issue has been resolved.
- Ecology issues are delaying the planning process for the **A350 Yarnbrook / West Ashton Relief Road** project.
- Discussions are ongoing with Highways England on potential technical and financial solutions for the **M4 Junction 17** project.

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