

Nottingham City Council Delegated Decision



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Subject:

Changes to Highway Maintenance Block

Total Value:

£500,000 (Type: Capital)

Decision Being Taken:

1. To defer the footway reconstruction works on Trent Bridge (£200,000) and the main road surface dressing works (£300,000) planned for 2020/21 until 2021/22.
2. To reallocate the available funding (£500,000) from the deferred schemes to support additional road maintenance schemes in Nottingham in 2020/21.

Reasons for the Decision(s)	<p>The Medium-Term Financial Plan (MTFP) was agreed at the Executive Board on 18 February 2020. Annex 3 of the MTFP included the Capital Programme and, within the report, the spending for the Department for Transport Highway Maintenance Block for 2020/21. Planned works were included, amounting to £500,000 for Trent Bridge (£200,000) and main road surface dressing works (£300,000). The main road surface dressing works need to be deferred until 2021/22, due the availability of specialist contractors and the reduced window to carry out the works during 2020/21. Surface dressing works can only be undertaken during the summer months and almost three months at the start of the 2020/21 financial year have been lost due to COVID-19. The Trent Bridge footway reconstruction waterproofing works are being deferred until 2021/22 because the scheme is part of a broader Hostile Vehicle Mitigation (HMV) measures, which are now not due to start this year. COVID-19 has also had an impact on the development of the broader scheme.</p> <p>The reallocation of this funding will support additional road maintenance schemes across the City. These will include the following prioritised maintenance schemes: Upper Parliament Street = £100,000 (completed during the tram line closure during summer 2020 and post-lockdown service resumption); Crabtree Road = £120,000; Bernard Street = £65,000; Roden Street = £65,000; Old Market Square Long Row Terrace = £150,000 (essential structural maintenance works).</p>
Other Options Considered:	<p>1) To do nothing: this option was rejected, as the reallocation of the funds will allow the Council to address additional highway maintenance works during 2020/21.</p>
Background Papers:	<p>None</p>
Published Works:	<p>Annex 3 - Capital Programme. Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP) - Key Decision, Executive Board, 18 February 2020 (https://committee.nottinghamcity.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=177&MId=7979&Ver=4).</p>
Affected Wards:	<p>Citywide</p>
Colleague / Councillor Interests:	<p>None</p>
Consultations:	<p>Those not consulted are not directly affected by the decision.</p>
Crime and Disorder Implications:	<p>None</p>

Equality: EIA not required. Reasons: This decision does not constitute a new or changing policy, service or function. It is for the reallocation of funding for an existing service.

Decision Type: Portfolio Holder

Subject to Call In: Yes

Call In Expiry date: 04/11/2020

Advice Sought: Legal, Finance, Procurement

Legal Advice: This delegated decision concerns the reallocation of funding on footway reconstruction to road maintenance. No legal issues arise from this delegated decision.

Advice provided by Sarah O'Bradaigh (Senior Solicitor) on 21/10/2020.

Finance Advice: The grant funding in relation to the projects within this decision has been secured by the Council. Due to the new schemes being the same value as the deferred schemes, it does not increase the value in the capital programme. Following the approval of this decision, the capital programme will be amended accordingly.

Advice provided by Tom Straw (Senior Accountant - Capital Programmes) on 09/10/2020.

Procurement Advice: In that this decision seeks to (1) defer already approved schemes to next financial year, and (2) reallocate their funding to other schemes for this year, there are no direct procurement implications to the approval. Any additional contract awards in relation to either decision must be made in accordance with Contract Procedure Rules - the Procurement Team remains on hand to provide advice and support to ensure this is done compliantly.

Advice provided by Jonathan Whitmarsh (Lead Procurement Officer) on 23/10/2020.

Signatures
Rebecca Langton (PH Communities, Highways, Strategic Transport)
SIGNED and Dated: 28/10/2020
Dave Halstead (Strategic Director of Neighbourhood Services)
SIGNED and Dated: 28/10/2020