Nottingham City Council Delegated Decision





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5217

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Subject:

Expenditure of Traffic Signals Obsolescence Grant Funding

Total Value:

£631,374 (Type: Capital)

Decision Being Taken:

To approve the expenditure of Department for Transport grant funding to a maximum value of £631,374 for the use in addressing issues of Traffic Signal Obsolescence. Funding to be used by 31 March 2026.

Reasons for the Decision(s)

Challenge funding has been accepted to a value of £631,374 increasing the Capital programme of the City Council. Endorsement for acceptance and use of this funding was received via the Capital Board meeting held on 4 September 2024. Funding will be used to replace Halogen Incandescent (HI) lamps which make up approximately 48% of the traffic signals asset managed by the City Council. Projected Energy Savings of £118,000 are expected and will reduce the level of financial support needed from ringfenced transport income. Works are proposed to be completed by the Councils' current traffic signals maintenance contractor. Existing Traffic Control Centre Officer to oversee works, with associated staff time funded by grant monies.

Briefing notes documents:

CD Briefing - TSOG Grant Acceptance Sept 24.docx

Other Options Considered:

An alternative option would be to reject the funding on offer, requiring Council funds to be used to address issues of traffic signal obsolescence and therefore this option was rejected.

Background Papers:

Traffic Signals Obsolescence challenge fund application

Unpublished background papers:

Traffic Signals Grant Challenge - Traffic Signals Obsolescence Grant (TSOG) NCC Submission.pdf, CD Briefing - TSOG Grant Allocate and Spend Oct 24.docx

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Affected Wards:	Citywide
Colleague / Councillor Interests:	None
Consultations:	Date: 04/09/2024
	Other City Council Bodies:Capital Board
	Endorsement received to accept and spend the TSOG funding for the use of resolving traffic signal obsolescence issues, amending the Capital Programme accordingly.
	Date: 27/09/2024
	Other:Nicki Jenkins - Corporate Director of Development & Growth
	Endorsement received to submit an appropriate DDM to spend the TSOG funding for the use of resolving traffic signal obsolescence issues.
	Those not consulted are not directly affected by the decision.
Crime and Disorder Implications:	None. Funding to be used to upgrade signals infrastructure to modern assets only.
Equality:	EIA not required. Reasons: Funding to be used to upgrade signals infrastructure to modern assets only with no noticeable changes to all road users.
Social Value Considerations:	Works to be completed by existing Traffic Signals Term Maintenance Contractor within conditions of current contract
Decision Type:	Portfolio Holder
Subject to Call In:	Yes
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Call In Expiry date:	02/12/2024
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Advice Sought:	Legal, Finance, Procurement

Published Works:

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Commissioner Comments:

The Commissioners are content with this decision

Legal Advice:

The funding referred to in the Delegated Decision must be used in accordance with the terms of the grant. Should procurement be required this must adhere to the appropriate procedure. Advice provided by Tamazin Wilson (Solicitor) on 07/10/2024.

Finance Advice:

Delegated decision 5172 contains the approval for accepting the grant. As detailed in the body of this report this project has been endorsed by the Capital Board and follow the approval of this decision the Capital Programme expenditure budget will be amended to recognise the Traffic Signal Obsolescence Grant of £631,374.

The project manager is required to ensure all expenditure meets the capitalisation criteria and meets to grant conditions to mitigate grant clawback.

This project does not require match funding and the project manager must ensure that the scheme remains within budget due to capital funding pressures within the Council.

Advice provided by Tom Straw (Senior Accountant - Capital Programmes) on 24/10/2024.

Procurement Advice:

As this approval relates solely to expenditure, and on the understanding that the spend will made be within the scope of an existing compliantly procured contract, there are no procurement implications to the decision being sought. Advice provided by Jonathan Whitmarsh (Lead Procurement Officer) on 04/10/2024.

Signatures

Neghat Khan (Leader / Exec member, Strategic Regeneration)

SIGNED and Dated: 25/11/2024

Nicki Jenkins (Corporate Director of Growth and City Development)

SIGNED and Dated: 22/11/2024

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