

Record of officer decision

Decision title:	Hereford & South Wye Transport Review – Peer Assessment
Date of decision:	2 March 2020
Decision maker:	Acting Assistant Director for Highways and Transport / Head of Infrastructure Delivery
Authority for delegated decision:	<p>The 24 January 2020 decision taken by Cabinet Member Infrastructure and Transport for the Hereford Transport & South Wye Packages review approved:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">(b) the Acting Assistant Director for Highways and Transport be authorised to take all operational decisions to complete the review within a budget of £451,000 as set out in paragraphs 27 and 28.</p> <p>http://councillors.herefordshire.gov.uk/mgIssueHistoryHome.aspx?IId=50032842&Opt=0</p>
Ward:	(All Wards); with particular reference to Stoney Street, Wormside, Belmont Rural, Credenhill, Kings Acre, Queenswood, Holmer and Whitecross
Consultation:	Democratic Services Manager. Category Manager, Corporate Support
Decision made:	<p>To confirm commencement of the procurement of a consultant to undertake an independent peer assessment of the Hereford Transport Package (HTP) and South Wye Transport Package (SWTP), as outlined in the 24 January 2020 cabinet member transport and infrastructure report.</p> <p>http://councillors.herefordshire.gov.uk/mgIssueHistoryHome.aspx?IId=50032842&Opt=0</p> <p>This decision is not a commitment to award a contract. The award of this contract would be subject to a further record of officer decision.</p>
Reasons for decision:	<p>A decision was taken 9 August 2019 by Cabinet Member for Infrastructure and Highways to pause all work on the South Wye Transport Package and Hereford bypass and a review of the projects be undertaken to determine next steps. This decision was called in and a General Scrutiny meeting was held 9th September in which recommendations were made.</p> <p>The Cabinet Member took a further decision 22 October 2019 which took into consideration the recommendations made by General Scrutiny Committee and confirmed a review of the South Wye Transport Package and the bypass project to determine next steps.</p> <p>On 24 January 2020 the Cabinet Member took a decision to approve the scope, outline programme and timescale for undertaking the review of the Hereford and South Wye Transport Packages.</p> <p>The report outlined that the review is essential to ensure that the council's decision making is fully informed by the latest information and best practice.</p>

	The procurement will be undertaken directly by the council through an open market tendering process in accordance with the council's procurement rules using the south west portal. An Invitation to Tender (ITT) has been developed in conjunction with corporate services with input from Democratic Services and Corporate Services. Corporate services will support the project team in executing the procurement process.
Highlight any associated risks/finance/legal/equality considerations:	The cost of works may exceed the budget envelope resulting in a budget pressure. This will be mitigated through monitoring of costs which will form part of the project management of the review. Spend against budget will be monitored using the council's project management system Verto and will be reported regularly to the Major Infrastructure Delivery Board.
Details of any alternative options considered and rejected:	None
Details of any declarations of interest made:	None.

I am an officer delegated to make the decision

Signed:

Print Name:

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