

Record of operational decision

Decision title:	Decision to contract Velta Construction Ltd to deliver the Lugwardine Traffic Calming Scheme.
Date of decision:	15 July 2026
Decision maker:	Corporate Director Economy & Environment
Authority for delegated decision:	Section 106 Economy and Environment scheme of delegation line 71 Corporate Centre Directorate Scheme of Delegation line 159 Cabinet decision dated 02 March 2023 - Section 106 Portfolio of Works – S106 Delivery Proposals. Cabinet Report 02 March 2023 Levelling Up Fund The Cabinet decision dated 12 January 2023 To accept and Spend any Approved Levelling Up Funding (LUF) Allocated to Herefordshire authorises the following:- c) To accept and approve expenditure related any Levelling Up Funding offered by government for a package of transport and active travel measures in and around Hereford city; d) To delegate to the Corporate Director for Economy and Environment, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Environment and Economy, the Cabinet Member for Infrastructure and Highways, and the Section 151 Officer, all operational decisions in implementing the funding in accordance with the bids to government. https://councillors.herefordshire.gov.uk/ieDecisionDetails.aspx?ID=9243 LTG a) The proposed allocation of the 2026/27 Local Transport Grant is approved, enabling delivery of the council's priority transport programmes, including statutory highway maintenance, road safety interventions and active travel improvements; b) Authority is delegated to the Chief Operating Officer, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Transport and Infrastructure, to take all operational decisions necessary to implement and vary the allocations of the approved programme within the available grant funding and in accordance with the council's governance and procurement procedures; the budget holder is able to vary the plan within the budget.
Ward:	Hagley
Consultation:	Consultation has taken place with relevant Ward Members of Bartestree with Lugwardine Group Parish
Decision made:	To award a contract to Velta Construction Ltd – to the value of £398,791.59 for the designed Lugwardine Traffic Calming Scheme. To build in a 10% contingency amount bringing the total allocated to: £438,670.74 To further delegate all operational and budgetary decisions up to the maximum value of £438,670.74 for this scheme to the Interim Delivery Director Infrastructure, Capital Programme Manager and Capital Project Manager.
Reasons for decision:	Section 106 The Lugwardine Traffic Calming Scheme is expected to improve road safety and pedestrian accessibility throughout the village by encouraging lower vehicle speeds and more considerate driving behaviour on the A438. The scheme includes enhanced school safety measures, gateway features at village entry points, improved road markings, traffic calming surfacing, pedestrian crossing facilities, speed awareness measures and overtaking restrictions. Together, these interventions are intended to reduce vehicle speeds, improve conditions for

	walking and crossing the road, enhance safety for school children and vulnerable road users, and reinforce the perception that drivers are entering and travelling through a residential village environment. The scheme will also help improve connectivity between residential areas, community facilities and local amenities, supporting active travel and making the village a safer and more attractive place to live and visit. Levelling Up Fund The Cabinet decision of 12 January 2023 accepted the Levelling Up Fund (LUF) grant from central government which was allocated to a number of projects. The devised scheme aims to increase the safety of pedestrians and cyclists and promote active travel. Local Transport Grant (LTG) £750k of the Local Transport Grant was set aside to support projects part funded by S106, this will utilise this grant funding and is line with grant requirements.																																														
Equality Considerations	Equality duty Under section 149 of the Equality Act 2010, the ‘general duty’ on public authorities is set out as follows: A public authority must, in the exercise of its functions, have due regard to the need to - a) eliminate discrimination, harassment, victimisation and any other conduct that is prohibited by or under this Act; b) advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it; c) foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it. The public sector equality duty (specific duty) requires us to consider how we can positively contribute to the advancement of equality and good relations, and demonstrate that we are paying ‘due regard’ in our decision making in the design of policies and in the delivery of services. Our providers will be made aware of their contractual requirements in regards to equality legislation.																																														
Highlight any associated risks/finance/legal/considerations:	Financial Implications The total amount will be made up of the following: Levelling Up Fund - £106,787.48 Section 106 - £31,883.26 Local Transport Grant - £300,000 Total - £438,670.74 The available budget, not accounting for the cost of this award, is as follows: Section 106 <table><tr><th colspan="6">HC-S106-143 Lugwardine, Traffic Calming: Project Code Balances</th></tr><tr><th></th><th>Project Code</th><th>Total Allocation</th><th>Spend to date</th><th>Committed Spend</th><th>Available Spend</th></tr><tr><td>S106 Cotts Lane, Lugwardine</td><td>FIN1793</td><td>£16,002.60</td><td>£11,250.00</td><td>£0.00</td><td>£4,752.60</td></tr><tr><td>S106 Land South of A438 Bartestree</td><td>FIN1801</td><td>£69,576.66</td><td>£25,946.00</td><td>£16,500.00</td><td>£27,130.66</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>Total:</td><td>£85,579.26</td><td>£37,196.00</td><td>£16,500.00</td><td>£31,883.26</td></tr></table> Levelling Up Fund - NORTH <table><tr><th>Budget</th><th>Spend to Date</th><th>Committed</th><th>Remaining</th></tr><tr><td>£495K</td><td>£224,919.91</td><td>£150,663.24</td><td>£119,416.85</td></tr></table> LTG <table><tr><th>Budget</th><th>Spend to Date</th><th>Committed</th><th>Remaining</th></tr><tr><td>£750K</td><td>£15,614</td><td>£61,927.49</td><td>£672,458.51</td></tr></table>	HC-S106-143 Lugwardine, Traffic Calming: Project Code Balances							Project Code	Total Allocation	Spend to date	Committed Spend	Available Spend	S106 Cotts Lane, Lugwardine	FIN1793	£16,002.60	£11,250.00	£0.00	£4,752.60	S106 Land South of A438 Bartestree	FIN1801	£69,576.66	£25,946.00	£16,500.00	£27,130.66		Total:	£85,579.26	£37,196.00	£16,500.00	£31,883.26	Budget	Spend to Date	Committed	Remaining	£495K	£224,919.91	£150,663.24	£119,416.85	Budget	Spend to Date	Committed	Remaining	£750K	£15,614	£61,927.49	£672,458.51
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Details of any alternative options considered and rejected:	Not to award. This option is not recommended. The preferred supplier has been identified following all agreed procurement principles.																																														

Details of any declarations of interest made:	None
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Signed..... Date: 15 July 2026

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