

## Record of officer decision

<b>Decision title:</b>	<b>Variation to public realm annual plan 2018/19 – LTP funding allocation</b>
<b>Date of decision:</b>	21 <sup>st</sup> February 2018
<b>Decision maker:</b>	Assistant Director for Highways and Transport
<b>Authority for delegated decision:</b>	<p>The authority is for the specified officer to take this decision, in the key decision taken by cabinet member Transport and Regulatory Services in regards to Balfour Beatty Living Places public realm annual plan 2018/18 on 26 March 2018. The decision included:</p> <p>(b) the assistant director environment and place be authorised to agree, through the contract governance arrangements, final adjustments to the programme and budget allocation to each of the annex areas (including, but not limited to, the investment, in accord with the approach set out in this report, of all funds received from the Local Highways Maintenance Challenge Fund for 2018/19 and the capital programme) and any in year adjustments to the plan</p>
<b>Ward:</b>	'Countywide'
<b>Consultation:</b>	Consultation with Balfour Beatty Living Places, Head of Infrastructure and Delivery for Herefordshire Council and Chief Finance Officer and S151 officer.
<b>Decision made:</b>	To allocate up to £1,000,000 of the LTP funding remaining within the 'End to End Network Improvement service' of public realm annual plan 2018/19 to South Wye Transport Package (SWTP).
<b>Reasons for decision:</b>	<p>The decision taken by Cabinet member infrastructure on 12 November 2018 in regard to the SWTP confirms that spend on the SWTP in 2018/2019 will be funded from the Councils Local Transport Plan grant in advance of drawing down Marches LEP grant funding following sign off of the final full business case. This forms part of the local contribution of £8m to the £35m SWTP budget. The current forecast spend remains within this budget.</p> <p>The existing LTP funded programmes set out in the annual plan 2018/19 are forecast to be completed in year as planned. The in-year target costs having been developed at a lower figure than the initial budget estimates and savings are forecast against these target costs as a result of efficient delivery of the planned works.</p> <p>An assessment of the end of year forecast has identified LTP funding of £1,000,000 to be programmed.</p> <p>To make best use of this funding, it is recommended that it is allocated to the delivery of the SWTP.</p>
<b>Highlight any associated risks/finance/legal/equality considerations:</b>	There is a financial risk that if this LTP grant funding is not allocated and spent within this financial year, then it will be lost.

<b>Details of any alternative options considered and rejected:</b>	<p>Do nothing; this is not recommended for the decision, as £700,000 of grant funding will be lost.</p> <p>Do something else; allocate the funding to other works, this is not recommended as such works may not be deliverable within the financial year and all or part of the £1,000,000 will be lost.</p>
<b>Financial Implication</b>	<p>Budget identified within annual plan 2018/19. No change.</p>
<b>Details of any declarations of interest made:</b>	<p>None</p>

Signed..... Date: 21st Feb 2019

Name: Clive Hall

