

Record of Officer Decision

Decision title:	Repairs to Fownhope Alternative Route
Date of decision:	10 June 2021
Decision maker:	Director for Economy and Place
Authority delegated decision:	<p>The decision dated 26 April 2021 taken by the Cabinet Member Infrastructure and transport on the 20/21 Annual plan stated that :-</p> <p>the acting assistant director highways and transport be authorised to agree in consultation with the Section 151 officer, through the BBLP contract governance arrangements, final adjustments to the programme (including any recommendations from the strategic partnering board) and budget allocation to each of the annex and any in year adjustments to the plan, within the overall budget.</p> <p>http://councillors.herefordshire.gov.uk/ieDecisionDetails.aspx?ID=7852</p>
Wards:	Backbury, Old Gore
Consultation:	S151 Officer, Legal and finance
Decision made:	That the repair works to the roads that have been used by many as an alternative route whilst the repairs to the B4224 are carried out be commissioned and delivered through the Public Realm Contract to a value of £357,733
Reasons for decision:	<p>The Annual plan decisions included the HAM budget for 19/20 and 20/21 (combined figure of £3.608 million). Of this, £358,000 is carry forward from previous financial years due to costs in year being moved to utilise the LTP grant. This has not been allocated in the 21/22 Annual Plan and therefore there is no impact on the Annual Plan as published.</p> <p>It is recommended that £357,733 of this budget is used for resurfacing and drainage works to mitigate the damage caused to the surrounding road network during the closure of the B4224 near Fownhope.</p> <p>The proposed works are consistent with the core highway maintenance activities of the public realm contract. Delivery of these repairs through the PRC will enable works to be programmed at pace given the deterioration of the network during the closure of the B4224 without the need for an external procurement process. The use of the PRC target cost arrangement will enable costs for the works to be provided and scrutinised in advance of works commencing on site. Costs will be based on agreed target costs which will be scrutinised and monitored by the Contract Management Team and any changes will be the subject of robust change control to ensure value for money is achieved for these repairs.</p>
Highlight any associated risks/finance/legal/equality considerations:	Delay to the interventions as detailed may mean an increase in cost to rectify due to further deterioration. There may be reputational damage due to not progressing necessary repairs to these roads that have suffered during the enforced closure of the B4224
Details of any alternative options considered and rejected:	An option not to carry out the repairs as set out has been considered but dismissed as without timely repair, greater cost will be incurred at a later date.
Details of any	

declarations of interest made:	
---	--

Signed

Richard Ball
Director for Economy & Place

Date: 10 June 2021