

Record of officer decision

Decision title:	Award of highway works associated with Highway Infrastructure Investment – Works Order 5
Date of decision:	27 th November 2024
Decision maker:	Corporate Director for Economy and Environment
Authority for delegated decision:	<p>For spend relating to the 2023/24 financial year (carried over to 2024/25), a Cabinet Member decision was taken on 26th February 2024 relating to how the Highway Infrastructure Investment is proposed to be spent and to seek the necessary approvals to do so.</p> <p>a) Capital investment for 2023/24, in assets as set out below, is procured;</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">a. Carriageway investment £1.5m</p> <p>b) Delegated authority is given to the Corporate Director of Economy and Environment, in consultation with the S151 Officer to take all operational decisions to deliver the infrastructure projects set out in recommendation (a).</p> <p>Decision - 2023 to 2024 Capital Investment in Highways Infrastructure - Herefordshire Council</p> <p>For spend relating to the 2024/25 financial year, a Cabinet Member decision was taken on 13th June 2024 relating to how the Highway Infrastructure Investment is proposed to be spent and to seek the necessary approvals to do so.</p> <p>a) Capital investment for 2024/25, in assets as set out below, is procured;</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">a. Carriageway investment £1.5m</p> <p>b) Delegated authority is given to the Corporate Director of Economy and Environment, in consultation with the S151 Officer to take all operational decisions to deliver the infrastructure projects set out in recommendation (a).</p> <p>Decision - 2024/25 Capital Investment in Existing Highway Infrastructure - Herefordshire Council</p>
Ward:	Countywide.
Consultation:	<p>As part of the revised consultation process for key decisions, Political Group Consultations were undertaken for both Cabinet Member decisions and further details can be found at</p> <p>Decision - 2023 to 2024 Capital Investment in Highways Infrastructure - Herefordshire Council</p> <p>Decision - 2024/25 Capital Investment in Existing Highway Infrastructure - Herefordshire Council</p> <p>Ward Members and Parish Councils will be informed of works that are to take place in their area.</p>

Decision made:	To award a contract (Works Order 5) to Tarmac Trading Ltd using the Council’s NEC 4 Framework Agreement, to the initial value of £565,818.48 to resurface C and U roads across the county. To authorise a contingency of £86,065.97.																	
Reasons for decision:	<p>In order to deliver the investment set out in the decision reports above.</p> <p>The works associated with the contract are resurfacing the network on a prioritisation criteria based on condition and need.</p>																	
Equality Considerations	The selection of roads for investment is considered to have a positive impact on the protected characteristics of Age and Disability. The investment set out in this report is considered to have a neutral impact on the other protected characteristics.																	
Highlight any associated risks/finance/legal/equality considerations:	<p>Finance:</p> <p>Under the selection process for the framework, Officers have used the quotation information provided which shows that the total of the prices of Tarmac Trading Ltd is likely to be significantly lower than the other suppliers on the framework based upon the quotation information submitted within the framework tender and therefore this supplier gives the Council good value for money.</p> <p>A total works budget of £3.00 million has been allocated to the project, funded through Herefordshire Council’s Capital Programme. The budget allocation utilised is identified below.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="571 1037 1481 1588"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="571 1037 855 1155">Budget Name</th> <th data-bbox="855 1037 1023 1155">Total Works Budget</th> <th data-bbox="1023 1037 1289 1155">Contract Works Value</th> <th data-bbox="1289 1037 1481 1155">Cost Code</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="571 1155 855 1352">Highway Infrastructure Investment (carriageways) - Works</td> <td data-bbox="855 1155 1023 1352" rowspan="2">£3.00m</td> <td data-bbox="1023 1155 1289 1352">£565,818.48</td> <td data-bbox="1289 1155 1481 1352">CM7338 CAP1746</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="571 1352 855 1550">Highway Infrastructure Investment (carriageways) - Contingency</td> <td data-bbox="1023 1352 1289 1550">£86,065.97</td> <td data-bbox="1289 1352 1481 1550">CM7338 CAP1746</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="571 1550 855 1588">Total</td> <td data-bbox="855 1550 1023 1588">£3.00m</td> <td data-bbox="1023 1550 1289 1588">£651,884.45</td> <td data-bbox="1289 1550 1481 1588"></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Risk Management:</p> <p>The creation of a framework has contributed to minimising risks associated with procurement delay, supply chain resilience and demonstrating competition and value for money for the public purse. The identified works should reduce the risk to users on the network as a result of improved condition.</p> <p>Legal Implications:</p> <p>A procurement process to create a Highways and Public Realm Schemes Framework was conducted during January and February 2024 in accordance with the Council’s Contracts Procedure Rules.</p> <p>The framework is operated under the NEC4 Framework Contract arrangements with NEC4 Engineering and Construction Short Contracts used for delivery of individual schemes.</p>			Budget Name	Total Works Budget	Contract Works Value	Cost Code	Highway Infrastructure Investment (carriageways) - Works	£3.00m	£565,818.48	CM7338 CAP1746	Highway Infrastructure Investment (carriageways) - Contingency	£86,065.97	CM7338 CAP1746	Total	£3.00m	£651,884.45	
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Details of any alternative options considered and rejected:	Not to award. This is not recommended as this would put the Council's capital programme at risk.
Details of any declarations of interest made:	None