

Record of officer decision

Decision title:	Award of highway works associated with Highway Infrastructure Investment – Works Order 34
Date of decision:	30/10/2025
Decision maker:	Interim Corporate Director for Economy and Environment
Authority for delegated decision:	<p>A Cabinet Member decision was taken on 28th January 2025 to confirm highways maintenance funding for 2025/26 and the annual plan for the Public Realm Services contract with Balfour Beatty Living Places (BBLP).</p> <p>(c) the Interim Chief Operating Officer be authorised to agree, through the Public Realm Contract governance arrangements, final adjustments to the programme (including any recommendations from the Strategic Partnering Board) and budget allocation to each of the Annexes and any in-year adjustments to the plan, within the overall budget; including the retained capital budget;</p> <p>(d) The interim Chief Operating Officer be authorised to implement and expend the Department for Transport (DFT) Local Highways Maintenance Funding Allocations for 2025/26 of £5,882m in accordance with the Highways Maintenance Plan.</p> <p>Full details of the decision taken can be seen at the following link:</p> <p>Issue details - Public Realm Services Annual Plan and Highways Commission 2025 - 2026 (Title has been amended formerly known as Public Realm Services Annual Plan 2025/26) - Herefordshire Council</p>
Ward:	Countywide
Consultation:	As part of the revised consultation process for key decisions, Political Group Consultations were undertaken for both Cabinet Member decisions. Ward Members and Parish Councils will be informed of works that are to take place in their area.
Decision made:	To award a contract (Works Order 34) to Tarmac Trading Ltd using the Council's NEC 4 Framework Agreement, up to the value of £416,575.98, for carriageway and remedial works with an additional contingency of up to a value of £41,657.59 (10%)
Reasons for decision:	In order to deliver the investment, as set out in the decision reports above.
Equality Considerations	As a result of the selection of roads for investment as part of this decision 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>£4.1m has already been committed for the delivery of resurfacing works and as a result of this decision, a further £416,575.98 will be committed as a result of this decision. The overall budget has been amended by £878k due to an underspend on the principle roads allocations.</p> <table><tr><td>Budget</td><td>Available Budget</td><td>Budget for contract</td><td>Cost Code</td></tr><tr><td>LTP</td><td>£1.7m</td><td>£416,575.98</td><td>CM7396 CAP7396</td></tr><tr><td>Contingency</td><td></td><td>£41,657.59</td><td>CM7396 CAP7396</td></tr><tr><td>Total</td><td>£1.7m</td><td>£458,233.57</td><td></td></tr></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	Available Budget	Budget for contract	Cost Code	LTP	£1.7m	£416,575.98	CM7396 CAP7396	Contingency		£41,657.59	CM7396 CAP7396	Total	£1.7m	£458,233.57	
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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																

Signed:

Date:

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Appendix 1

- C1016 Old Downton Lodge
- U65210 - Woodend Lane Stoke Lacy
- Rectory Lane (Byway - Cradley by church)
- U70610 - Cantilupe Road, Ross
- C1320 Old School Lane
- U73440 Church View, Much Dewchurch
- C1266 Brookside Cottage