

# Report to the Chief Officer (Highways and Transportation)

#### Date 24 May 2016

# Subject: UTMC Site interfaces 2016/17

# Capital Scheme Number : 32542

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):	Yes	🛛 No
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	Yes	🛛 No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	Yes	🛛 No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number: Appendix number:	Yes	No No

#### Summary of main issues

1. This report seeks approval to supply & install site interface equipment at UTMC signal locations to provide fault monitoring. The introduction of this equipment at these locations will allow sites to be automatically monitored for faults and also controlled via the UTMC traffic signal computer located at Middleton Highways and also remotely via dedicated laptops used by Engineers.

# Recommendations

- 2. The Chief Officer (Highways and Transportation) is requested to:
  - i) note the contents of this report;
  - ii) approve the proposal at the total cost of £124,000; and
  - iii) give authority to incur expenditure of £104,000 works costs and £20,000 staff costs, to be funded from the LTP Transport Policy Capital Programme (West Yorkshire Local Transport Plan 3, Implementation Plan 2) 100% Government grant funding.

#### 1. Purpose of this report

1.1 To seek approval to supply & install site interface equipment at UTMC traffic signal locations that currently do not have this facility. Chameleon outstation units compatible with the Leeds traffic control system will be installed at sites selected from those listed in appendix 1 that require a connection to the UTMC system.

# 2. Background information

- 2.1 The UTMC traffic signal computer located at Middleton Highways controls and monitors 519 sites out of a total of 648 signalled sites in Leeds. This means that for 129 sites we are dependent on members of the public reporting a signal fault to us by phone or email. It is therefore possible that a fault could go unreported for days. Faults could include inefficient operation due to a detection problem, unsafe operation due to one or more light bulbs not working, and an 'all-out' due to a power or other failure.
- 2.2 Each site has the capability of reporting faults and being controlled from the central computer with the installation of the Chameleon outstation unit. This will make reporting faults quicker and reduce the time signals are faulty. The equipment will provide UTMC with the facility to control the traffic signals if required which may assist with delays to traffic during events or road works.
- 2.3 The ability to report faults remotely from site via this type of equipment will ensure that UTMC can quickly assign all faults to our term maintenance contractor. This is important for the safety of vehicles and pedestrians at these locations. Prompt fault notification and repairs are also important for the road network to operate efficiently, balancing delays for all users.
- 2.4 The introduction of Internet Protocol communications such as 3G has lowered the revenue costs previously associated with dedicated BT lines and the network providers have now developed a more stable system that we can utilise for our purposes.
- 2.5 This proposal is part of an ongoing strategy to equip all Leeds sites with interfaces. 28 sites were completed last year, 20-30 are proposed for this year. It is hoped to complete the programme in 3 years' time, subject to £372 K funding over this period.
- 2.6 The scheme was identified as a key element of the Network Management work stream for Implementation Plan 2 and has been approved by the WY LTP Board.

#### 3. Main issues

# 3.1 Design Proposals/Scheme Description

- 3.1.1 To supply & install outstation equipment inside traffic signal controllers at selected sites from the list of all unconnected sites listed in appendix 1.
- 3.1.2 The work consists of the installation of outstation units modem) that interface between the traffic signal controller and the UTC Imtech in station computer and a communication platform, either 3G or adsl broadband at selected sites.
- 3.1.3 The cost per site will be determined following detailed site surveys to determine site suitability for signal strength and conditions of existing ducting network, any proposed excavations required and a decision on strategy for each site. It is expected that within the proposed work programme up to 30 sites will be completed..

#### 3.2 Programme

3.2.1 It is proposed to start work as soon as approval is received. Work will continue to completion throughout the financial year 2016/2017.

# 4 Corporate Considerations

#### 4.1 **Consultation and Engagement**

4.1.1 Consultation has not been undertaken as there will not be any change to individual junction signal layout or operation.

# 4.2 Equality and Diversity / Cohesion and Integration

- 4.2.1 A screening document has been prepared and an independent impact assessment is not required for the approvals requested.
- 4.2.2 This work will assist mobility for disabled pedestrians by ensuring the traffic signals are in good working order.

# 4.3 Council Policies and City Priorities

- 4.3.1 Environmental Policy: The introduction of Chameleon outstation units will shorten response times for faults and so reduce delay to traffic and congestion.
- 4.3.2 The proposal contributes to the policies in the West Yorkshire Local Transport Plan 2011-26 as follows:
   Proposal 1 Prioritise asset management according to a hierarchy of key transport route networks and users that best supports the Plan
- 4.3.3 The proposals within this report have no implications under Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998.

#### 4.4 Resources and Value for Money

- 4.4.1 Scheme Design Estimate: The estimated total cost for this programme is £124,000, consisting of £104,000 works costs and £20,000 staff costs. Equipment will be procured through contract Number 3435 The Supply & Installation of traffic signal equipment.
- 4.4.2 Capital Funding and Cash Flow: The estimated total cost of £124,000 will be funded from the LTP Transport Policy Capital Programme (100% Government grant funding), as part of the approved West Yorkshire Local Transport Plan Implementation Plan 2 received on a quarterly basis from the West Yorkshire Combined Authority.
- 4.4.3 Capital Funding and Cash Flow

Previous total Authority	TOTAL	<b>TO MARCH</b>	FORECAST				
to Spend on this scheme		2016	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020 on
	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's
LAND (1)	0.0						
CONSTRUCTION (3)	0.0						
FURN & EQPT (5)	0.0						
DESIGN FEES (6)	0.0						
OTHER COSTS (7)	0.0						
TOTALS	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Authority to Spend	TOTAL	TO MARCH		F	ORECAS	Т	
required for this Approval		2016	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020 on
	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's
LAND (1)	0.0						
CONSTRUCTION (3)	104.0		104.0				
FURN & EQPT (5)	0.0						
DESIGN FEES (6)	20.0		20.0				
OTHER COSTS (7)	0.0						
TOTALS	124.0	0.0	124.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total overall Funding	TOTAL	TO MARCH			ORECAS		
(As per latest Capital		2016	2016/17			2019/20	
Programme)	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's
Government Grant - LTP/TSG	124.0		124.0				
Total Funding	124.0	0.0	124.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Balance / Shortfall =	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Parent scheme number: 99609 Title: LTP Transport Policy Capital Programme

4.4.4 The revenue cost implications envisaged as a result of this capital scheme are £120 per annum for each site on the 3G network. Where it is possible to group sites wirelessly it may be possible to use adsl lines and reduce this cost. This revenue implication is balanced by the increasing use of IP technology and adsl lines by UTMC at other sites and cameras.

# 4.5 Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In

4.51 The scheme is not eligible for call in because it falls below the relevant thresholds.

# 4.6 Risk Management

- 4.6.1 Failure to complete this programme could subsequently endure loss of efficiency, safety and flexibility at these traffic signal locations where currently we rely on members of the public notifying us of signal faults..
- 4.6.2 All works will be carried out in accordance with the Highways Agency's Code of Practice for Traffic Control and Information Systems (MCH 1869).

# 5 Conclusions

5.1 The installation of this traffic signal equipment provides a more flexible, efficient and safe traffic signal network for the benefit of all users.

# 6 Recommendations

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# 7 Background documents <sup>1</sup>

- 14.1 Equality, Diversity, Cohesion and Integration Screening Report.
- 14.2 Appendix 1 Sites not controlled

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The background documents listed in this section are available to download from the Council's website, unless they contain confidential or exempt information. The list of background documents does not include published works.

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# Equality, Diversity, Cohesion and Integration Screening



As a public authority we need to ensure that all our strategies, policies, service and functions, both current and proposed have given proper consideration to equality, diversity, cohesion and integration.

A **screening** process can help judge relevance and provides a record of both the **process** and **decision**. Screening should be a short, sharp exercise that determines relevance for all new and revised strategies, policies, services and functions. Completed at the earliest opportunity it will help to determine:

- the relevance of proposals and decisions to equality, diversity, cohesion and integration.
- whether or not equality, diversity, cohesion and integration is being/has already been considered, and
- whether or not it is necessary to carry out an impact assessment.

Directorate: City Development	Service area: Transport Policy
Lead person: Richard Tallant	Contact number: 2476760

1. Title: UTMC site interfaces 2015				
Is this a:				
Strategy / Policy	✓ Service / Function	Other		
If other, please specify				

# 2. Please provide a brief description of what you are screening

The screening process looks at the proposals to install monitoring equipment at a number of traffic signal installations to provide a safer and more efficient service for our customers and allows the traffic signals to report faults and be controlled by UTMC staff at Highways Middleton.

In Leeds around 533 out of 635 traffic signal controllers are monitored and controlled by UTMC, A continuous programme of installation is necessary to ensure that all traffic signal installations report faults directly to the UTC control room

The installation of this equipment will benefit all users with the ability to react to faults generated by the equipment and for UTC to control traffic signals for the benefit of the network.

**3.** Relevance to equality, diversity, cohesion and integration All the council's strategies/policies, services/functions affect service users, employees or the wider community – city wide or more local. These will also have a greater/lesser relevance to equality, diversity, cohesion and integration.

The following questions will help you to identify how relevant your proposals are.

When considering these questions think about age, carers, disability, gender reassignment, race, religion or belief, sex, sexual orientation and any other relevant characteristics (for example socio-economic status, social class, income, unemployment, residential location or family background and education or skills levels).

Questions	Yes	No
Is there an existing or likely differential impact for the different	Х	
equality characteristics?		
Have there been or likely to be any public concerns about the		Х
policy or proposal?		
Could the proposal affect how our services, commissioning or		X
procurement activities are organised, provided, located and by		
whom?		
Could the proposal affect our workforce or employment		X
practices?		
Does the proposal involve or will it have an impact on		X
<ul> <li>Eliminating unlawful discrimination, victimisation and</li> </ul>		
harassment		
<ul> <li>Advancing equality of opportunity</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>Fostering good relations</li> </ul>		

If you have answered no to the questions above please complete sections 6 and 7

If you have answered **yes** to any of the above and;

- Believe you have already considered the impact on equality, diversity; cohesion and integration within your proposal please go to **section 4.**
- Are not already considering the impact on equality, diversity, cohesion and integration within your proposal please go to **section 5.**

# 4. Considering the impact on equality, diversity, cohesion and integration

If you can demonstrate you have considered how your proposals impact on equality, diversity, cohesion and integration you have carried out an impact assessment.

Please provide specific details for all three areas below (use the prompts for guidance).

• How have you considered equality, diversity, cohesion and integration? (think about the scope of the proposal, who is likely to be affected, equality related information, gaps in information and plans to address, consultation and engagement activities (taken place or planned) with those likely to be affected)

# • Key findings

(think about any potential positive and negative impact on different equality characteristics, potential to promote strong and positive relationships between groups, potential to bring groups/communities into increased contact with each other, perception that the proposal could benefit one group at the expense of another)

Positive Impacts

- The proposal will make traffic signals faults reported and repaired quicker to the benefit of all users.
- The equipment will enable UTMC to control the traffic signals to benefit the network.

#### • Actions

(think about how you will promote positive impact and remove/ reduce negative impact)

5. If you are <b>not</b> already considering the impact on integration you <b>will need to carry out an impact a</b>	
Date to scope and plan your impact assessment:	N/A
Date to complete your impact assessment	N/A
Lead person for your impact assessment (Include name and job title)	N/A

<b>6. Governance, ownership and approval</b> Please state here who has approved the actions and outcomes of the screening				
Name	Job title	Date		
Gordon Robertson	UTMC Manager	1/4/15		

#### 7. Publishing

Though **all** key decisions are required to give due regard to equality the council **only** publishes those related to **Executive Board**, **Full Council**, **Key Delegated Decisions** or a **Significant Operational Decision**.

A copy of this equality screening should be attached as an appendix to the decision making report:

- Governance Services will publish those relating to Executive Board and Full Council.
- The appropriate directorate will publish those relating to Delegated Decisions and Significant Operational Decisions.
- A copy of all other equality screenings that are not to be published should be sent to <u>equalityteam@leeds.gov.uk</u> for record.

Complete the appropriate section below with the date the report and attached screening was sent:

For Executive Board or Full Council – sent to Governance Services	Date sent:
For Delegated Decisions or Significant Operational Decisions – sent to appropriate <b>Directorate</b>	Date sent:
All other decisions – sent to equalityteam@leeds.gov.uk	Date sent:

# Appendix 1 – Sites not controlled

ORN	Address	ORN	Address
176L	SWINEGATE / SOVEREIGN STREET	523L	A6120 / RING RD / LIMEWOOD APPROACH
200L	A58 / WHITEHALL ROAD / RING ROAD / LOWER WORTLEY		
204L	RING ROAD FARNLEY / STONEBRIDGE LANE		
205L	R.R / LOWER WORTLEY / KIRKDALE DRIVE / A58 /	526L	A63 / SELBY ROAD / IRWIN APPROACH
206L	TONG ROAD / GREEN LANE	527L	HAREHILLS ROAD / BAYSWATER GROVE / ASHTON STREET
208L	TOWN STREET / HALL ROAD / THEAKER LANE		
209L	TOWN ST / BRANCH RD / WESLEY ST	530L	CROSSGATES RD / NEAR POOL RD
210L	TOP MOOR SIDE / RUNSWICK STREET / NEAR BROWN LANE	531L	STONEY ROCK LANE / NEAR SHAKESPEARE AVENUE
212L	RING ROAD / FARNLEY / TONG ROAD	533L	COMPTON RD / HUDSON RD / FLORENCE ST / STANLEY RD
		534L	A6120 / STATION ROAD / CROSSGATES
223L	TONG ROAD / AMBERLEY ROAD	535L	IVY ST / IVY AVENUE
		536L	NORTH PARKWAY / SEACROFT ARCADE
228L	A6110 / RING ROAD / BUTT LANE, FARNLEY		
262L	WHITEHALL ROAD / DUNLOP AVENUE - WOOD LANE / BRANCH ROAD	554L	NORTH PARK FARM ROAD / OAK TREE DRIVE
263L	DOMESTIC STREET / SHAFTON LANE	555L	A63 / SELBY ROAD / PINFOLD LANE - TOUCAN
		602L	EAST PARK PARADE / LONDESBORO GROVE
321L	HOUGH LANE / WATERLOO LANE / UPPER TOWN STREET	603L	ABERFORD RD / WAKEFIELD RD / ASTLEY LN / CHURCH LN
323L	LEEDS / BRADFORD ROAD / INTAKE LANE / BROAD LANE	613L	WOODLESFORD ABERFORD RD / KWIKSAVE SUPERSTORE
		614L	WOODLESFORD / ABERFORD RD / AIREDALE RD
		615L	SELBY RD / NEAR SCHOOL LN / HALTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

336L	A65 / A 6120 / HORSFORTH DUAL PELICAN	616L	BELLE ISLE RD / BALM RD / WOODHOUSE HILL RD
		646L	BUTCHER LANE / MARSH STREET / CARLTON LANE
344L	WOODSLEY ROAD / HYDE PARK	647L	GILLETT LANE / MARSH LN, ROTHWELL
348L	CLARENDON ROAD / MOORLAND ROAD	648L	A639 / HOLMSLEY LANE / HAIGH ROAD
350L	STANNINGLEY BYPASS / RICHARDSHAW LANE	649L	OULTON LN / Nr TENNIS COURTS / ROTHWELL
359L	NEW ROAD SIDE / FEATHERBANK AVENUE	658L	WOOD LANE PUFFIN / ROTHWELL
362L	MCLAREN FIELDS / ASTON ROAD / LOWER TOWN STREET		
363L	A65 / NEW ROAD SIDE / ROSE TERRACE	712L	CEMETERY ROAD / MALVERN STREET
364L	BURLEY ROAD / ST ANNES LANE	714L	OLD LANE / BARKLY ROAD
365L	BURLEY ROAD / KNOWLE TERRACE	724L	MIDDLETON PARK ROAD CIRCUS
366L	A657 TOWN ST / RODLEY	727L	MIDDLETON PARK ROAD / LINGWELL ROAD PELICAN
373L	RAWDON ROAD / HALL LANE	755L	BRITTANIA RD / ASKEY AVENUE / A650
		758L	ELLAND RD / VICTORIA ST / CLARENDON TERRACE / PARK ST
376L	HANOVER WAY / PARK LANE COLLEGE	768L	WHITE ROSE / MILLSHAW ROAD PELICAN
		772L	CORPORATION ST / NR ROUNDABOUT - PELICAN
423L	MEANWOOD ROAD / GORDON VIEW	783L	A650 BRADFORD ROAD / COMMON LANE / WESTERTON ROAD / EAST ARDSLEY
424L	STONEGATE ROAD / STAINBECK AVENUE	805L	SALISBURY ST / VICTORIA PARK POST OFFICE / CARR RD
425L	MEANWOOD ROAD / BOOTHROYD DRIVE (Formerly YORKSHIRE SWITCHGEAR	808L	LOWTOWN / DELPH HILL / PELICAN, PUDSEY.
		857L	CROSSGATE / NELSON STREET
		859L	A658 / VICTORIA AVENUE
440L	WOODHOUSE STREET / PENNINGTON STREET	860L	BOROUGHGATE / CROSSGATE / WESLEY ST/ POOL ROAD
446L	HARROGATE ROAD / STAINBECK LANE / POLICE STATION	865L	HARROGATE RD / QUAKERS LN / BATTER LN / LITTLEMOOR SCHOOL

452L	HARROGATE RD / STAINBURN PARADE / KINGS CROFT GARDENS	869L	CHURCH ROAD / CHURCH LANE / HORSFORTH
455L	EASTERLY ROAD / DIBB LANE	878L	HARPER LANE / FOOTBALL / YEADON
		883L	BRADFORD ROAD / THE OVAL, GUISELEY
472L	MEANWOOD ROAD / CAMBRIDGE ROAD	900L	A58 / WETHERBY ROAD / COLLINGHAM
473L	HARROGATE ROAD / NR SANDHILL LANE NR ORR	908L	MARKET PLACE / WESTGATE
474L	PRINCES AVENUE / ROUNDHAY - TROPICAL GARDEN	912L	HIGH STREET / WETHERBY
		914L	HAREWOOD BRIDGE VSM SIGN / NORTH OF BRIDGE
476L	GREEN ROAD, MEANWOOD, near The Co-op	915L	HAREWOOD BRIDGE VMS SIGN / SOUTH OF BRIDGE
480L	STAINBECK LANE PUFFIN / NR SAFEWAY & HARROGATE ROAD	951L	BARWICK ROAD / PENDAS WAY
513L	A64 / YORK ROAD / BARWICK AVENUE	952L	WAKEFIELD ROAD / MAIN STREET / TOWN STREET / BARROWBY LANE, GARFORTH.
		955L	A656 / BARNSDALE ROAD / LONGDIKE LANE
		957L	LEEDS ROAD / MOORGATE ROAD, KIPPAX
		959L	A6120 / ORR / COLTON ROUNDABOUT/BUS GATE