

## Delegated Decision Notice

This form is the written record of a key, significant operational or administrative decision taken by an officer.

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| <b>Decision type</b>                 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Key Decision  | <input type="checkbox"/> Significant Operational Decision   | <input type="checkbox"/> Administrative Decision                                       |
| <b>Approximate value</b>             | <input type="checkbox"/> Below £500,000<br><input type="checkbox"/> £500,000 to £1,000,000<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> over £1,000,000   | <input type="checkbox"/> below £25,000<br><input type="checkbox"/> £25,000 to £100,000<br><input type="checkbox"/> £100,000 to £500,000<br><input type="checkbox"/> Over £500,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> below £25,000<br><input type="checkbox"/> £25,000 to £100,000 |
| <b>Director<sup>1</sup></b>          | Director of City Development  |   |  |
| <b>Contact person:</b>               | Mohammed Mahmood  | Telephone number: 0113 378 7524   |  |
| <b>Subject<sup>2</sup>:</b>          | Connecting West Leeds (CWL) Phase 1 Schemes - Design and Construction   |   |  |
| <b>Decision details<sup>3</sup>:</b> | <p>What decision has been taken?<br/>(Set out all necessary decisions to be taken by the decision taker including decisions in relation to exempt information, exemption from call in etc.)</p> <p>The Chief Officer Highways and Transportation:</p> <p>a) Noted the Highway Board approval in June 2020 of the preliminary design for Fink Hill \ ORR junction and Executive Board approval in June 2021 to support the Round 1 LUF bid for CWL which received approval from The Department of Transport (DfT) in November 2021;</p> <p>b) Approved the designs (Appendices 1 and 2) and authorise the expenditure on phase 1 schemes, Fink Hill \ ORR £7.097m, Horsforth Merge £1.98m and Horsforth to Rodley footway and cycle links £2.168m, funded from Levelling up funding £7.988m and WY+TF £3.257m;</p> <p>c) Noted the balance of funding £12.012m on the LUF CWL for phase 2 which will be brought forward to Highways Board in spring of 2023 once schemes have been agreed and designs are finalised;</p> <p>d) Noted that the early enabling works will be facilitated by Parks and Countryside services utilising their framework;</p> <p>e) Approved delivery of early enabling works, namely, utility works £1.288m and tree clearance circa £70k;</p> <p>f) Authorised the City Solicitor to advertise a notice under the provision of Section 23 of the Highways Act 1980 associated with the provision of a pedestrian crossing and if no valid objections are received, to implement the pedestrian crossing as advertised;</p> |   |  |

<sup>1</sup> Give title of Director with delegated responsibility for function to which decision relates.

<sup>2</sup> If the decision is key and has appeared on the list of forthcoming key decisions, the title of the decision should be the same as that used in the list

<sup>3</sup> Simply refer to supporting report where used as these matters have been set out in detail.

- g) Authorised the City Solicitor to make and advertise a draft Traffic Regulation Order to implement waiting restrictions as shown on the attached drawing number 732827-LCC-HWT-FH-DR-CH-TRO\_01 shown in Appendix 5, and if no valid objections are received, to make, seal and implement the Traffic Regulation Order as advertised.
- h) Authorised the City Solicitor to make and advertise a draft Traffic Regulation Order to implement a clearway restriction on the Ring Road from Fink Hill to Dawsons Corner and if no valid objections are received, to make, seal and implement the Traffic Regulation Order as advertised.
- i) Authorised the City Solicitor to make and advertise a draft Traffic Regulation Order to implement a No parking, loading or unloading on footway or cycle track order where applicable along the route and if no valid objections are received, to make, seal and implement the Traffic Regulation Order as advertised.
- j) Authorised the City Solicitor to make and advertise a draft Speed Limit Order to implement a consistent 50mph speed limit from on the Leeds Outer Ring Road and Stanningley By Pass from Horsforth Roundabout to Henconner Lane flyover and if no valid objections are received, to make, seal and implement the Speed Limit Order as advertised.
- k) Authorised the City Solicitor to make and advertise an Experimental Traffic Regulation Order introducing a section of one way on Manor Road (Eastbound between A65 New Road Side and Manor Gate to address potential rat running to avoid the works. The impact of the one way on other routes and in the vicinity will to be assess periodically during the works. A provision shall be included to enable the Chief Highways Officer to modify or suspend the Order during the period of the experiment.
- l) At the end of the 18-month experimental period to give appropriate consideration to making the Order permanent incorporating any modifications considered appropriate following the monitoring of the measures.
- m) Approved with reference to the powers contained in Section 66(4) of the Highways Act 1980, that the relevant lengths of footway shown on attached drawings (TM-00-471-MISC-01/02) as proposed cycle tracks are removed and that following the removal of the footways, cycle tracks are constructed under the powers contained under the provisions of section 65(1) of the Highways Act 1980 for segregated or shared joint use by pedal cyclists and pedestrians.
- n) Noted that the Chief Officer (Highways and Transportation) is responsible for the programme delivery, with a target completion date of March 2024.


A brief statement of the reasons for the decision

(Include any significant financial, procurement, legal or equalities implications, having consulted with Finance, PACS, Legal, HR and Equality colleagues as appropriate)

The Screening Opinion was issued in August 2020, which concluded that the Fink Hill \ A6120 ORR scheme was not an EIA development. This is because the “area of the works” which is defined as including ‘any area occupied by apparatus, equipment, machinery, materials, plant, spoil heaps or other facilities or stores required for construction or installation’ is less than 1hectare. Therefore, the scheme does not constitute Schedule 2 development under the EIA Regulations and so can be developed and built through Permitted Development rights and planning permission is not required.

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|  | <p>Brief details of any alternative options considered and rejected by the decision maker at the time of making the decision</p> <p>Fink Hill \ A6120 ORR CWL Section 1, five short List of options were evaluated using the following Critical Success Factors (CSF);</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Improved pedestrian and cycling provision;</li> <li>ii. Higher vehicle capacity;</li> <li>iii. Maintained or reduced journey times;</li> <li>iv. Improved journey time reliability;</li> <li>v. Additional capacity to enable future development;</li> <li>vi. Improved network resilience.</li> </ul> <p>Horsforth Merge CWL Section 2, This proposal will reduce delay at the junction where significant queues form at peak times by relieving southbound blocking. Other options considered were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Highway Do Max. - short new two-way bypass of Horsforth Roundabout (2 general traffic lanes), to the south-west of the junction.</li> <li>ii. Public Transport Do Max. - short new two-way bypass of Horsforth Roundabout (2 general traffic lanes), to the south-west of the junction.</li> <li>iii. Blended Do Something - junction Capacity enhancement, including additional highway capacity which could include elements of bus priority on approaches. Likely to require some third-party land.</li> </ul> <p>Horsforth to Rodley cycle and footway CWL Section 3 aims to mitigate currently limited facilities for pedestrians and cyclists along this busy section of the ORR. The proposals will help connect the communities of Horsforth and Rodley east and west of the Ring Road with improved and safer segregated and shared cycle and pedestrian facilities. Other options considered:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Deliver the scheme north of the ORR off highway – discounted as it did not align with Horsforth merge proposals;</li> <li>ii. Deliver the scheme north of the ORR on the existing highway – discounted due to impact on existing highway capacity;</li> <li>iii. Deliver the scheme south of the ORR on the existing highway – discounted due to impact on existing highway capacity;</li> <li>iv. Deliver the scheme south of the ORR off highway – preferred option.</li> </ul> |
| <b>Affected wards:</b>                                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Horsforth;</li> <li>ii. Calverley &amp; Farsley; and</li> <li>iii. Bramley &amp; Stanningley.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Details of consultation undertaken<sup>4</sup>:</b> | <p>Executive Member: Councillor Helen Hayden 28/03/22</p> <p>Briefing sessions undertaken to discuss the autumn 2021 consultation material, and presentation of results of the subsequent consultation and the commencement of early enabling works.</p> <hr/> <p>Ward Councillors</p> <p>Ward member briefings and updates provided for the overall funding arrangements, scheme designs, autumn 2021 consultation, presentation of key consultation results and early enabling works.</p>  |

<sup>4</sup> Include details of any interest disclosed by an elected Member on consultation and the date of any relevant dispensation given.

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|  | Chief Digital and Information Officer <sup>5</sup><br>Not applicable.   |   |
|  | Chief Asset Management and Regeneration Officer <sup>6</sup><br>Forthnightly updates provided to the Head of Regeneration who is leading on the Round 1 and 2 LUF bids. |   |
|  | Others<br>Deputy Head of Land and Property is leading on all the land discussions for CWL schemes. Attends Working Group meetings.                                      |   |
| <b>Implementation</b>                                | Officer accountable, and proposed timescales for implementation<br>John White (Civil Engineering Manager)<br>Completion by December 2022.                               |   |
| <b>List of Forthcoming Key Decisions<sup>7</sup></b> | Date Added to List:- 14 February 2022   |   |
|  | <b>If Special Urgency or General Exception</b> a brief statement of the reason why it is impracticable to delay the decision  |   |
|  | <b>If Special Urgency</b> Relevant Scrutiny Chair(s) approval<br>Signature _____ Date _____   |   |
| <b>Publication of report<sup>8</sup></b>             | If not published for 5 clear working days prior to decision being taken the reason why not possible:  |   |
|  | If published late relevant Executive member's approval<br>Signature _____ Date _____  |   |
| <b>Call In</b>                                       | Is the decision available <sup>9</sup> for call-in?   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
|  | <b>If exempt from call-in</b> , the reason why call-in would prejudice the interests of the council or the public:  |   |
| <b>Approval of Decision</b>                          | Authorised decision maker <sup>10</sup><br>Gary Bartlett (Chief Officer, Highways & Transportation)   |   |
|  | Signature<br>  | Date: 09 March 2022   |

<sup>5</sup> See Officer Delegation Scheme (Executive Functions) CDIO must be consulted in relation to all matters relating to the Council's use of digital technology

<sup>6</sup> See Officer Delegation Scheme (Executive Functions) CAMRO must be consulted in relation to all matters relating to the Council's land and buildings.

<sup>7</sup> See Executive and Decision Making Procedure Rule 2.4 - 2.6. Complete this section for key decisions only

<sup>8</sup> See Executive and Decision Making Procedure Rule 3.1. Complete this section for key decisions only

<sup>9</sup> See Executive and Decision Making Procedure Rule 5.1. Significant operational decisions taken by officers are never available for call in. Key decisions are always available for call in unless they have been exempted from call in under rule 5.1.3.

<sup>10</sup> Give the post title and name of the officer with appropriate delegated authority to take the decision.