

Leeds Public Transport Investment Programme

Date: 19 January 2022

Report of: Chief Officer – Highways and Transportation

Report to: Scrutiny Board (Infrastructure, Investment & Inclusive Growth)

Will the decision be open for call in? Yes No

Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? Yes No

What is this report about?

Including how it contributes to the city's and council's ambitions

- The social and economic challenges presented by existing transport infrastructure in Leeds have been a longstanding priority for the Scrutiny Board (Infrastructure, Investment and Inclusive Growth). As such board members have been keen to better understand the progress, delivery and impact of the Connecting Leeds - Leeds Public Transport Investment Programme (LPTIP).
- The attached appendix provides the Scrutiny Board (Infrastructure, Investment and Inclusive Growth) with an update on the LPTIP as at January 2022.
- This update reflects an interim position - the programme is approaching completion in Summer 2022, at which point the Scrutiny Board will receive a comprehensive update.
- LPTIP represents investment of £183.43m, comprising £173.5m from the Department for Transport, £8.93m from Leeds City Council and £1m from West Yorkshire Combined Authority.
- As part of Connecting Leeds, LPTIP complements a number of other programmes including those funded by West Yorkshire Transport Fund.
- Key aims of the LPTIP package of public transport improvements include:
 - Support economic growth by unlocking transport constraints in key growth areas and across the city.
 - Align with the Leeds Transport Strategy, West Yorkshire Transport and Bus Strategies, as well as national/pan northern growth strategies including Northern Powerhouse Rail.
 - Improve health outcomes through better air quality by reducing transport emissions
 - Complement schemes being delivered through the West Yorkshire plus Transport Fund such as Leeds City Centre Package and the Corridor Improvement Programme.
 - Reflect the key messages from the Transport Conversation in terms of improving public transport operation and quality.
 - To leverage match funding from the private sector, both public transport providers and developments / businesses who will benefit from the public investment.

Recommendations

Members are asked to:

- a) Note the update appended to this report.
- b) Recommend that the successor board schedules a comprehensive update on LPTIP in Autumn 2022/23.

Why is the proposal being put forward?

- 1 The Scrutiny Board (Infrastructure, Investment and Inclusive Growth) has received regular updates on activity within the investment programme since its inception and has requested ongoing engagement for the lifespan of LPTIP.
- 2 The attached appendix provides a brief update ahead of a comprehensive update upon programme completion in Summer 2022.

What impact will this proposal have?

Wards affected:

Have ward members been consulted? Yes No

- 3 The impact of improvements delivered through LPTIP have been discussed by the Board on several occasions. Further information can be found in background documents to the Leeds transport network delivered through this scheme has been presented to the Board on several occasions. Further detail will be received in the next municipal year.

What are the resource implications?

- 4 There are no direct resource implications from this paper.

What are the legal implications?

- 5 There are no direct legal implications from this paper.

Does this proposal support the council's three Key Pillars?

Inclusive Growth Health and Wellbeing Climate Emergency

Appendices

12. Appendix 1: **Leeds Public Transport Investment Programme Update – January 2022**

Background papers

[13 CONNECTING LEEDS - PUBLIC TRANSPORT INVESTMENT PROGRAMME GENERAL UPDATE – IIG Scrutiny Board 23 September 2020.](#)