

# EXECUTIVE DECISION

made by a Council Officer



## REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY BY AN INDIVIDUAL COUNCIL OFFICER

Executive Decision Reference Number – COD08 22/23

Decision	
<b>1</b>	<p><b>Title of decision:</b></p> <p>Saltram Meadow Roundabout to Colesdown Hill Scheme Contract Award</p>
<b>2</b>	<p><b>Decision maker (Council Officer name and job title):</b></p> <p>Anthony Payne, Strategic Director for Place</p>
<b>3</b>	<p><b>Report author and contact details:</b></p> <p>Jim Woffenden  <a href="mailto:jim.woffenden@Plymouth.gov.uk">jim.woffenden@Plymouth.gov.uk</a></p>
<b>4a</b>	<p><b>Decision to be taken:</b></p> <p>To appoint South West Highways as the principal contractor with a contract value of £871,316 for constructing the walking and cycling route from Saltram Meadow Roundabout to Colesdown Hill, along the disused railway line.</p>
<b>4b</b>	<p><b>Reference number of original executive decision or date of original committee meeting where delegation was made:</b></p> <p>Executive Decision L21 15/16 provided authorisation to spend S106 funding and the funding awarded to Plymouth City Council by The Heart of the South West Local Transport Board and authorises all procurement processes.</p> <p>The decision delegates the award of the contract to the Strategic Director for Place.</p>
<b>5</b>	<p><b>Reasons for decision:</b></p> <p>The Term Maintenance Contract (TMC) provides specifically for the delivery of transport projects in addition to the core highway maintenance activities and has already been through a competitive tendering assessment process.</p> <p>Using the TMC provides the optimum route for early delivery by securing early contractor involvement to develop the design, by capitalising on the continuity of service provision, local knowledge and the close working arrangements that the TMC contractor has established with the Council's Highways department.</p>
<b>6</b>	<p><b>Alternative options considered and rejected:</b></p> <p>To carry out a formal tendering exercise or through the use of an appropriate framework. Both would add delay to any appointment and impact on the potential delivery of the works.</p>
<b>7</b>	<p><b>Financial implications and risks:</b></p> <p>This scheme is funded entirely through Growth Deal funding awarded by the Heart of the South West</p>

	Local Enterprise Partnership's Local Transport Board; Growth Deal Funding Awarded by the DfT; and Section 106 monies that are part of the Eastern Corridor and City Centre Strategic Cycle Network. This funding is already part of the approved capital programme.			
8	Is the decision a Key Decision? (please contact <a href="#">Democratic Support</a> for further advice)	Yes	No	Per the Constitution, a key decision is one which:
			x	in the case of <b>capital</b> projects and contract awards, results in a new commitment to spend and/or save in excess of <b>£3million</b> in total
			x	in the case of <b>revenue</b> projects when the decision involves entering into new commitments and/or making new savings in excess of <b>£1million</b>
			x	is <b>significant</b> in terms of its effect on communities living or working in an area comprising <b>two or more</b> wards in the area of the local authority.
8b	If yes, date of publication of the notice in the <a href="#">Forward Plan of Key Decisions</a>	N/A		
9	Please specify how this decision is linked to the Council's corporate plan/Plymouth Plan and/or the policy framework and/or the revenue/capital budget:	<p>This scheme forms part of Eastern Corridor and City Centre Strategic Cycle Network</p> <p><b>Growing Plymouth</b></p> <p><i>Support the local economy and facilitate economic development</i></p> <p>The East-West corridor already boasts major employment with Peninsula Medical School, Plymouth University, Babcock, MoD, Princess Yachts and Oceansgate enterprise zone. Its importance will grow with 17,000 new jobs planned by 2034. This scheme is to help to support this growth by improving sustainable transport connectivity – improving access to jobs for residents, and access to skills for employees. Regular exercise also improves wellbeing and productivity.</p> <p><i>Support housing delivery</i></p> <p>There are 15,550 homes planned for the East-West corridor by 2034.</p> <p><i>Reduced carbon emissions by increasing the volume and proportion of journeys made by low carbon sustainable modes</i></p> <p>This level of growth presents an opportunity to support that growth by dramatically increasing the use of healthy, low carbon, sustainable modes of transport and improving journey reliability.</p> <p><b>A Caring Council</b></p> <p>Three air quality management areas are located on this corridor, which can be expected to benefit from this and future investment.</p>		

		<p>The benefits set out below can be expected to disproportionately benefit lower income groups:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improved access to services, training and employment</li> <li>• Encouraging modal shift away from the private car, thereby reducing congestion and accidents</li> <li>• Health and activity benefits</li> <li>• Reduced community severance</li> <li>• Reduced vehicle noise; several noise important areas are identified on the corridor</li> </ul> <p>This scheme will also help address physical inactivity, which is a major problem in Plymouth, with just 18.6% of the adult population exercising for 30 minutes three times a week. Physical inactivity is estimated to cost the NHS £4.1m per annum with far greater costs to the wider community.</p> <p>Accordingly, conditional planning approval was granted in December 2021.</p>		
<b>10</b>	<b>Please specify any direct environmental implications of the decision (carbon impact)</b>	<p>Plymouth City Council declared a Climate Emergency in 2019, pledging the city to become carbon neutral by 2030. Transport represents 28% of the city's carbon footprint, a proportion that is set to increase to 48% of the residual emissions under the net zero scenario even with an 80% reduction from transport. Encouraging more trips to be made by walking and cycling is essential if the Council's commitments are to be met.</p>		
<b>Urgent decisions</b>				
<b>11</b>	<b>Is the decision urgent and to be implemented immediately in the interests of the Council or the public?</b>	<b>Yes</b>		(If yes, please contact <a href="#">Democratic Support</a> for advice)
		<b>No</b>	√	(If no, go to section 13a)
<b>12a</b>	<b>Reason for urgency:</b>			
<b>12b</b>	<b>Scrutiny Chair signature:</b>		<b>Date</b>	
	<b>Scrutiny Committee name:</b>			
	<b>Print Name:</b>			
<b>Consultation</b>				
<b>13a</b>	<b>Are any other Cabinet members' portfolios affected by the decision?</b>	<b>Yes</b>		
		<b>No</b>	√	(If no go to section 14)
<b>13b</b>	<b>Which other Cabinet member's portfolio is affected by the decision?</b>			

<b>I3c</b>	<b>Date Cabinet member consulted</b>										
<b>I4</b>	<b>Has any Cabinet member declared a conflict of interest in relation to the decision?</b>	<b>Yes</b>		If yes, please discuss with the Monitoring Officer							
		<b>No</b>	√								
<b>I5</b>	<b>Which Corporate Management Team member has been consulted?</b>	<b>Name</b>		Anthony Payne							
		<b>Job title</b>		Strategic Director for Place							
		<b>Date consulted</b>		01 July 2022							
<b>Sign-off</b>											
<b>I6</b>	<b>Sign off codes from the relevant departments consulted:</b>	<b>Democratic Support (mandatory)</b>			DS16 22/23						
		<b>Finance (mandatory)</b>			pl.22.23.51.						
		<b>Legal (mandatory)</b>			MS/38841.						
		<b>Human Resources (if applicable)</b>			N/A						
		<b>Corporate property (if applicable)</b>			N/A						
		<b>Procurement (if applicable)</b>			SN/PS/642/ED/070 22						
<b>Appendices</b>											
<b>I7</b>	<b>Ref.</b>	<b>Title of appendix</b>									
	A	Briefing report for publication ( <i>mandatory</i> )									
	B	Strategic Cycle Network (SCN) Equalities Impact Assessment (EIA)									
	C	Colesdown Hill EIA									
<b>Confidential/exempt information</b>											
<b>I8a</b>	<b>Do you need to include any confidential/exempt information?</b>	<b>Yes</b>		If yes, prepare a second, confidential ('Part II') briefing report and indicate why it is not for publication by virtue of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 by ticking the relevant box in <b>I8b</b> below.							
		<b>No</b>	√								
		<b>Exemption Paragraph Number</b>									
		<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>			
<b>I8b</b>	<b>Confidential/exempt briefing report title:</b>										

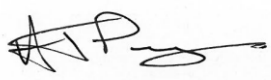
**Background Papers**

- 19** Please list all unpublished, background papers relevant to the decision in the table below.  
Background papers are unpublished works, relied on to a material extent in preparing the report, which disclose facts or matters on which the report or an important part of the work is based. If some/all of the information is confidential, you must indicate why it is not for publication by virtue of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 by ticking the relevant box.

Title of background paper(s)	Exemption Paragraph Number						
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

**Council Officer Signature**

- 20** I agree the decision and confirm that it is not contrary to the Council's policy and budget framework, Corporate Plan or Budget. In taking this decision I have given due regard to the Council's duty to promote equality of opportunity, eliminate unlawful discrimination and promote good relations between people who share protected characteristics under the Equalities Act and those who do not. For further details please see the EIA attached.

<b>Signature</b>		<b>Date of decision</b>	30 June 2022
<b>Print Name</b>	Anthony Payne, Strategic Director for Place		