

EXECUTIVE DECISION

made by a Cabinet Member




REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY BY AN INDIVIDUAL CABINET MEMBER

Executive Decision Reference Number – L26 23/24

Decision	
1	Title of decision: Charlton Road Junction Scheme Phase Two
2	Decision maker: Councillor Tudor Evans OBE, Leader of the Council
3	Report author and contact details: Sally Farley, Strategic Transport Manager Tel. 01752 307652 Email. sally.farley@plymouth.gov.uk
4	Decision to be taken: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Approves the new updated business case; 2. Allocates £850,051 to the Capital Programme funded by corporate borrowing; 3. Delegates to the Service Director for Strategic Planning & Infrastructure approval of all subsequent design amendments, Scheme approval submissions, procurement and contract awards associated with developing and delivering the Charlton Road Scheme through to construction and completion in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Transport where they would otherwise not have authority to do so.
5	Reasons for decision: <p>The scheme costs have increased since the development of the previous business case in February 2022 and additional funding is therefore required to enable delivery of the scheme.</p> <p>The first phase of the scheme was delivered in March 2021 with the visibility improved for cars entering and exiting Charlton Road, the bus lane was reduced in length to allow more time for cars to get in lane to turn left, and the necessary land for phase two has been purchased.</p>
6	Alternative options considered and rejected: <p>Option 1: Permanently close the right turn gap into Charlton Road Public consultation showed this option was not supported by the local community. North bound traffic on the A386 Tavistock Road wishing to access Charlton Road would be required to continue north bound to Derriford Roundabout, and then travel southbound on the A386 to access Charlton Road via the existing left hand turn.</p> <p>Option 2: Close the right turn gap into Charlton Road and open up Colbourne Road In order to minimise the impact of permanently closing the right turn gap, an additional option was developed which would re-open Colbourne Road. This option would allow access to Charlton Road from William Prance Road. This was rejected by residents due to concerns from residents regarding introducing rat-running traffic. Furthermore whilst revisiting this option in 2022 the landowner confirmed that they do not wish to sell the land that would be required to deliver this option on a permanent basis.</p>
7	Financial implications:

<p>Scheme Costs:</p> <p>The total updated capital cost to deliver the Charlton Road Junction scheme is estimated to be £2,579,702</p> <p>£793,463 was originally approved and allocated in the capital programme. (L66 17/18)</p> <p>£315,405 additional funding was approved in March 2020. (L35 19/20)</p> <p>£620,783 additional funding was approved in February 2022. (L36 21/22)</p> <p>£850,051 is therefore requested to be allocated for the project to enable scheme delivery.</p>				
8	<p>Is the decision a Key Decision? (please contact Democratic Support for further advice)</p>	Yes	No	Per the Constitution, a key decision is one which:
			X	in the case of capital projects and contract awards, results in a new commitment to spend and/or save in excess of £3million in total
			X	in the case of revenue projects when the decision involves entering into new commitments and/or making new savings in excess of £1million
		X	is significant in terms of its effect on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards in the area of the local authority.	
<p>If yes, date of publication of the notice in the Forward Plan of Key Decisions</p>		N/A		
9	<p>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>	<p>Improvements for pedestrians and cyclists will be maximised within the scheme in order to encourage more sustainable journeys.</p> <p>Good connectivity and a resilient transport network supports the effective functioning of our economy, enabling residents to access employment opportunities and linking businesses to skill, customers and supply chain markets.</p>		
10	<p>Please specify any direct environmental implications of the decision (carbon impact)</p>	There are no direct implications as a result of this proposal.		
Urgent decisions				
11	<p>Is the decision urgent and to be implemented immediately in the interests of the Council or the public?</p>	Yes		(If yes, please contact Democratic Support (democraticsupport@plymouth.gov.uk) for advice)
		No	X	(If no, go to section 13a)
12a	<p>Reason for urgency:</p> <p>N/A</p>			
12b	<p>Scrutiny Chair Signature:</p>		Date	
	<p>Scrutiny</p>			

	Committee name:			
	Print Name:			
Consultation				
I3a	Are any other Cabinet members' portfolios affected by the decision?	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
		No	<input type="checkbox"/>	(If no go to section I4)
I3b	Which other Cabinet member's portfolio is affected by the decision?	Councillor Mark Coker, Cabinet Member for Strategic Planning and Transport Councillor Mark Lowry, Cabinet Member for Finance		
I3c	Date Cabinet member consulted	03 October 2023		
I4	Has any Cabinet member declared a conflict of interest in relation to the decision?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	If yes, please discuss with the Monitoring Officer
		No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
I5	Which Corporate Management Team member has been consulted?	Name	Paul Barnard	
		Job title	Service Director for Strategic Planning and Infrastructure	
		Date consulted	03 October 2023	
Sign-off				
I6	Sign off codes from the relevant departments consulted:	Democratic Support (mandatory)	DS 54 23/24	
		Finance (mandatory)	DJN.23.24.122	
		Legal (mandatory)	LS/00001312/AC/12/10/23.	
		Human Resources (if applicable)		
		Corporate property (if applicable)		
		Procurement (if applicable)		
Appendices				
I7	Ref.	Title of appendix		
	A	Charlton Road Junction Scheme - Business Case Update Part I Briefing Paper		
	B	Charlton Road Equalities Impact Assessment		
Confidential/exempt information				
I8a	Do you need to include any	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	If yes, prepare a second, confidential ('Part II')

	confidential/exempt information?			briefing report and 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 in 18b below. (Keep as much information as possible in the briefing report that will be in the public domain)						
		No								
				Exemption Paragraph Number						
				1	2	3	4	5	6	7
18b	Confidential/exempt briefing report title: Charlton Road Junction Scheme - Business Case Update Part 2 Briefing Paper				X					
Background Papers										
19	Please list all unpublished, background papers relevant to the decision in the table below. Background papers are <u>unpublished</u> 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
Cabinet Member 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.									
Signature				Date of decision	12/10/23					
Print Name	Councillor Tudor Evans OBE									