RECORD OF EXECUTIVE DECISION BY CABINET

ITEM: Major Road Network Scheme Update

Cabinet Members Present:

- Councillors S E Geraghty (Chairman)
- M Bayliss
- M J Hart
- A Kent
- K May
- R J Morris
- T Onslow
- A C Roberts
- M T Rouse.

Date of Decision:

22 September 2022

Purpose:

To consider the progress and proposed further development of two major road improvement schemes.

DECISION:

Cabinet:

- a) Noted the overall concepts of both the North West Worcestershire Corridor (NWWC) Scheme and the A44 / A4538 scheme and progress made to date;
- b) Approved the further development and submission of the Strategic Outline Case (SOC) of the NWWC Scheme to Midlands Connect in Winter 2022 / 23;
- c) Approved the further development of the SOC for the A44 /A4538 and for this to be shared with Midlands Connect;
- d) Supported the continued progress of business cases for both schemes towards Outline Business Case stage, including identifying the timetable for stakeholder engagement, planning permission, land acquisition and funding mechanism for the schemes;

- e) Supported continued engagement with Midlands Connect and the Department for Transport to secure their ongoing support for the schemes and exploring any funding opportunities for the development of the business cases; and
- Approved the use of up to £0.360 million from the Strategic Infrastructure Fund revenue reserve in order to deliver the Outline Business Cases for these schemes

Reason(s) for the Decision:

As set out in the report. In order to help mitigate the impact of proposed development along major road networks in the County.

Alternative Options Considered:

None other than set out in the report.

Conflict of Interest (any declared by a consulted Cabinet Member/any dispensation granted)

None

Date the decision is due to take effect:

29 September 2022

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