

WORCESTERSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

RECORD OF OFFICER EXECUTIVE DECISION

| Item | Outcome |
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| Date of Decision | 10 August 2023 |
| Decision Maker | John Hobbs – Strategic Director for Economy and Infrastructure in consultation with Marc Bayliss – Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Economy, Infrastructure and Skills |
| Brief Description of Decision | To award contracts and finalise any other agreements necessary to deliver the A38 Bromsgrove Route Enhancement Programme (A38 BREP). |
| Reason(s) For Decision | <p>The decision is necessary to progress the delivery of the A38 BREP in accordance with the decision made by Cabinet on 22 October 2020 as further clarified by Cabinet on 8 December 2022. At its meeting in October 2020, Cabinet authorised the Strategic Director for Economy and Infrastructure to award contracts and finalise any other agreements necessary to deliver A38 BREP, in consultation with the Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Economy and Infrastructure (now Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Economy, Infrastructure and Skills).</p> <p>On 11 July 2023, the Department for Transport confirmed the award of £43.164m towards the total estimated scheme cost of £49.698m, the balance being met by Worcestershire County Council.</p> <p>There are two principal construction contracts to be awarded. One of the contracts is via NEC 4: Engineering and Construction Contract Option C, (with an early work order through a WCC Interim Services Agreement) and the other via Worcestershire County Council's IETC contract. The Project management provision will continue to be provided through the Highways and Traffic Professional Services Contract and the bus priority provisions will be delivered by the WCC Public</p> |

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| | <p>Transport Department supply chain. The combined value of the contracts is within the available funding envelope.</p> <p>Having consulted the Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Economy, Infrastructure and Skills, in accordance with the authority delegated to me by Cabinet, I hereby approve the award of construction contracts and entry into any other such agreements as are necessary to progress A38 BREP.</p> |
| Alternative Options Considered and Rejected | The scheme cannot be progressed without this decision being made. |
| Joint Equality, Public Health, Data Protection and Sustainability Impact Assessments carried out | The Equality, Public Health and Sustainability assessments have been approved, with the Data Protection assessment currently being under review. Any issues raised will be addressed as soon as possible on receipt. |
| Any Conflict of Interest declared by a consulted Cabinet Member/ any dispensation granted | None |
| Reference | For use by Democratic Services only |



Signed

John Hobbs - Strategic Director Economy and Infrastructure

Date 10/08/2023