

CABINET MEMBER DECISION

Decision:

Members' Questions

(i) Details of decision

Discussion details:

There were three questions submitted by two Members. These and the responses were published as a supplement to the agenda. Both Mark Sugden (Hinchley Wood, Claygate and Oxshott) and Jonathan Essex (Redhill East) had submitted further comments and queries around the Countrywide Integrated Transport Schemes Prioritisation Process. Both Members requested the same information on the schemes that were not successful and that information be made public. Members and the public needed to know and understand where the unsuccessful bids were in the rankings to get an overall perspective and that Members may wish to choose another scheme, depending on the result, for submission in subsequent years. This request was also in the interests of transparency for residents.

Sinead Mooney (Staines) spoke as a divisional member and requested that the Cabinet Member seek a review of the process and in particular the front end of the process as it could be more streamlined. There was a need to understand thresholds, manage expectations of residents and more member involvement and understanding was needed.

Resolved:

1. That a small cross-party review group be set up to review the process.
2. That further detailed information on bids would be published with the Communities, Highways and Environment Select Committee agenda was noted.
3. That each Member would be contacted from 9 December with full feedback of their scheme bids and they would be offered a meeting with their area stakeholder engagement officers.

(ii) Reasons for decision

To ensure understanding, involvement and transparency of the process and outcomes.

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(ii) Portfolio: Cabinet Member for Highways and Community Resilience

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COUNTYWIDE INTEGRATED TRANSPORT SCHEMES PRIORITISATION PROCESS AND 2023/24 DELIVERY PROGRAMME

(i) Details of decision

1. That the Cabinet Member approved:
 - a) The proposed prioritisation process set out in Annex A of the submitted report, and
 - b) The proposed ITS schemes to be funded from the 2023/24 Countywide Integrated Transport Scheme budget set out in Annex B of the submitted report.
2. That authority be delegated to the Highways Engagement and Commissioning Manager to make any minor amendments to the schemes which may be required to ensure that the schemes are progressed, in consultation with the relevant Divisional Member and where required, the Cabinet Member for Highways and Community Resilience.

(ii) Reasons for decision

Cabinet established the Countywide ITS budget in February 2022, as part of changes to highway decisions, and requested that officers develop a prioritisation process for the fund. The prioritisation process now needs to be agreed so that schemes can be approved and progressed to the design and delivery stage.

(The decisions on this item can be called-in by the Communities, Environment and Highways Select Committee)

(iii) Details of any alternative options considered and rejected

None.

(iv) Details of any consultation and representations received not included in the published report

The Cabinet Member stated that, for transparency purposes, he was happy for Members to receive the details on not only how their schemes were scored, but how they scored against other schemes, both successful and not.

Conflicts of Interest and any Dispensations Granted

(Any conflict of interest declared by any other Cabinet Member consulted in relation to the decision to be recorded and any dispensations granted by the Audit and Governance Committee) - N/A

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