

Council 8 December 2015

A428 Rugby Radio Station Mast Site S278 Highway Works Addition to the Capital Programme

Recommendation

That Council gives approval to add the A428 Rugby Radio Station Mast Site S278 Highway Works to the 2015/16 capital programme at an estimated cost of £2.7m subject to the applicable Section 278 Agreement with the Developer being signed which provides for 100% of the funding.

1.0 Key Issues

- 1.1 This scheme will be fully funded by a developer contribution ring-fenced for the works in question. For Developer funded schemes there are no alternative uses for the contribution and the addition of the scheme will not affect the overall level of available capital resources.

2.0 Proposals

A428 Crick Road, Rugby

- 2.1 A planning application was submitted by Rugby Radio Station Limited Partnership to Rugby Borough Council for an urban extension to Rugby for up to 6200 dwellings and a mix of retail, commercial, employment and community uses. Planning permission was granted on 21 May 2014 (ref: R11/0699) and it requires the Developer to provide access to the northern side via the A5 and access to the southern side via the A428 Crick Road.
- 2.2 The southern site entrances comprise a priority junction and a roundabout. A Toucan signal controlled crossing is also to be provided. In order to deliver the highway works on the southern side, the Developer must enter into a Section 278 Agreement with the Highway Authority.
- 2.3 A plan showing the site and the location of the proposed improvements is included in **Appendix A** and the detail of the improvements is shown in **Appendix B**. The works extend across the County boundary into Northamptonshire and an agreement pursuant to Section 8 of the Highways Act 1980 is being progressed which will allow Warwickshire County Council to carry out the highway works within Northamptonshire.
- 2.4 Subject to the recommendation being agreed, the County Council will enter into a Section 278 agreement with the developer to undertake the works at an estimated cost of £2.7m including fees. Under the agreement the works will

be fully funded by the Developer. Following the signing of the S278 agreement, works are expected to commence in January 2016.

3.0 Background Papers

None

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