

# **Proposed Decision to be made under the Urgency Procedure by the Portfolio Holder for Transport & Environment on 11 May 2018**

## **Further Consultation on the Bermuda Connectivity Scheme**

### **Recommendation**

That the Portfolio Holder for Transport and Environment approves the proposal for consultation.

### **1.0 Key Issues**

- 1.1 At its meeting on 12 November 2015, following consideration of the outcomes of the consultation carried out during 2015, Cabinet authorised the Strategic Director for Communities to undertake the detailed design proposals of the Scheme in accordance to Option 1 described in the report. The report also stated that further engagement with the local community would be carried out if a version of the Scheme (Option 2), that delivers similar benefits for the highway network as Option 1 but has less mitigation for local impacts along the route was progressed.
- 1.2 The development of the detailed design proposals is complete and a number of revisions have been made to the Scheme presented to Cabinet in November 2015. Details of the aesthetic layout of the updated Scheme are provided with this report. It is advised that further consultation is undertaken in order to present the updated Scheme to the local community and obtain feedback. The key outcomes of the consultation (including a consultation report) will form part of forthcoming reports to WCC Cabinet and full Council.

### **2.0 Proposal**

- 2.1 The consultation would involve the distribution of a pamphlet containing details of the Scheme to residential and business addresses in the west Nuneaton area, including Bermuda and Stockingford. This will be supported by a specific online consultation web page and also the existing web page for the Scheme.
- 2.2 The consultation pamphlet will not contain a Response Form. It will direct recipients to the online WCC consultation webpage to complete their response. The webpage will also enable users to print out the consultation material.

### **3.0 Timescales associated with the decision and next steps**

- 3.1 The Marketing and Communications Team will support the promotion of the consultation through a press release, social media and other networks.

- 3.2 The consultation is scheduled to commence on Tuesday 15 May 2018. The duration of the consultation period will be 5 weeks, and therefore, it will end on Monday 18 June 2018.
- 3.3 Details of the consultation, responses and conscientious consideration of potential changes to the Scheme will be included in forthcoming reports to WCC Cabinet and full Council to be presented in July 2018. WCC Members will then take a decision on whether or not the Scheme is progressed onto implementation stage.

## 4.0 Financial Implications

- 4.1 The projected cost of the consultation including analysis of the responses is £15k which will be met by the Bermuda Connectivity capital budget.

## 5.0 Urgency

- 5.1 This decision is being made under the Council's urgency procedure. The matter has become urgent owing to the proximity of local elections in Nuneaton and Bedworth to the proposed start date of the consultation period.
- 5.2 Approval to urgency has been given by the Chair of the Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

## Background papers

Aesthetic Layout Drawings Detailing the Updated Scheme:

1. Drawing No. 5147469-ATK-BCP-DR-D-121
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