

**Joint Key Decision Record
Addition of Highway Improvement Schemes to the Capital Programme**

Cabinet Portfolio Holder taking the decision	Cllr Alan Cockburn – Deputy Leader Cllr Peter Butlin – Transport and Planning
Date of Decision (not before: 25 th July 2014)	25/07/2014

Decision Taken

The Deputy Leader gives approval to add the following proposed schemes to the 2014/15 capital programme at a total estimated cost of £1,432,000. The three Developer funded schemes will be subject to the applicable Section 278 Agreements with the relevant Developers that provides for 100% funding of each project being signed.

These are:

- a) Access for Elliott's Field Retail Park on the A426 Leicester Road Rugby (Developer Funded);
- b) New signalised junction at the B4113/Gipsy Lane junction near Nuneaton (Developer Funded);
- c) A new roundabout on Southam Road, Kineton (Developer Funded); and
- d) M40 Junction 14 Phase 2 improvement works (Growing Places Infrastructure Grant funded scheme).

The Portfolio Holder for Transport and Planning approves the virement of £252,000 to M40 Junction 14 Phase 2 improvement works from the funding available within the Transport Capital Programme for M40 Junction 14 Phase 1.

Reasons for Decisions

A planning application was submitted by Hammerson (Rugby) Ltd to Rugby Borough Council for a redevelopment of the existing retail park. Planning permission was granted on 1 July 2013 (ref: R11/1297). The conditions relating to the development require the Developer to improve the existing roundabout which provides the site entrance and to upgrade Old Leicester Road including its junction with A426 Leicester Road. In order to pursue this, the Developer is required to enter into a Section 278 Agreement with the Highway Authority.

The County Council will enter into a Section 278 agreement with the developer to undertake the works at an estimated cost of £420,000 including fees. Under the agreement the works will be fully funded by the developer. Tenders are expected to be invited in August 2014 and, subject to the signing of the S278 agreement, works are expected to commence at the beginning of September 2014.

New signalised junction at B4113/Gipsy Lane junction near Nuneaton

A planning application was submitted by WCL Quarries to Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council for permission for infilling and restoration of Griff No. 4 Quarry. Planning permission was granted on 31 January 2013 (ref: NBB/12CM002).

The roadworks that are required to be carried out via the Section 278 Agreement include the installation of traffic signals at the B4113 Coventry Road/ Gipsy Lane junction. The County Council can enter into a Section 278 agreement with the developer WCL Quarries to undertake the works at an estimated cost of £200,000 including fees. Under the agreement the works will be fully funded by the developer. Tenders are expected to be invited in October 2014 and, subject to the signing of the S278 agreement, works are expected to commence early in 2015.

New roundabout on Southam Road Kineton

This planning application was submitted on 3 September 2012 by Bloor Homes Midlands to Stratford-upon-Avon District Council for a residential development (minimum of 90 dwellings). Planning permission was granted on 9 August 2013 (ref: 12/02069/OUT).

The roadworks that are required to be carried out via the Section 278 Agreement include construction of a new three arm roundabout on Southam Road. The County Council will enter into a Section 278 agreement with the developer Bloor Homes Midlands to undertake the works at a cost estimated by the developer of £310,000 including fees. Under the agreement the works will be fully funded by the developer. Tenders are expected to be invited in November 2014 and, subject to the signing of the S278 agreement, works are expected to commence early 2015.

M40 Junction 14 improvements Phase 2 – Banbury Spur

Phase 1 of this scheme involved alterations to both Europa Way and Greys Mallory roundabouts and these were completed in January 2014. An additional piece of work, Phase 2, has been identified to remove the small roundabout at the end of the M40 exit slip road known as Banbury Spur. This will further decrease congestion on the exit by giving priority to traffic leaving the motorway.

The estimated cost of this scheme is £502,000. The intention is for this to be funded in part by a successful £250,000 bid to the Growing Places Infrastructure Grant (administered by CWLEP) and in part by corporate funding approved, but not used, for the first phase of the project. Consequently, this report seeks the approval of the Portfolio Holder for Transport and Planning for the virement of £252,000 to this scheme from funds no longer required for Phase 1.

It is hoped to carry out this improvement via off-peak and overnight working towards the end of August 2014. However, if this is not feasible then the October half-term holiday has been identified as an alternative.

Background Information

None.

Financial Implications

These schemes will either be fully funded by a developer contribution ring-fenced for the works in question or, in the case of the M40 Junction 14 Phase 2, funded by a successful growing Places bid. For the Developer-funded schemes, there are no alternative uses for the contribution and the addition of the schemes will not affect the overall level of available capital resources.

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Checklist

Urgent matter?	No
Confidential or Exempt? (State the category of exempt information)	No
Is the decision contrary to the budget and policy framework?	No

List of Reports considered - please include link to report

Link to published proposed decision report:

<https://democratic.warwickshire.gov.uk/cmis5/CalendarofMeetings/tabid/128/ctl/ViewMeetingPublic/mid/645/Meeting/3025/Committee/551/Default.aspx>

List of Background Papers - please include a contact for access to background papers

None.

Members and officers consulted or informed – please include any comments

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