KENT COUNTY COUNCIL - RECORD OF DECISION

DECISION TO BE TAKEN BY

Michael Payne

Cabinet Member for Highways & Transport

DECISION NO:

21/00007

For publication

Key decision*

Yes

Subject: Urban Traffic Management and Control (UTMC)

Decision:

As Cabinet Member for Highways & Transport, I give approval to accept the capital grant from Ebbsfleet Development Company and to take the UTMC project through the stages of development and specifically for:

- i. Approval for KCC to enter into a funding agreement with EDC subject to the approval of the Corporate Director of Finance, Corporate & Strategic Services
- ii. Approval to undertake the design and surveys for the UTMC project. The design work will be undertaken by the KCC Traffic & Network Solutions team.
- iii. Approval to progress all statutory approvals or consents required for the schemes, including transfer of land and rights;
- iv. Approval to carry out any additional consultation required for the scheme;
- v. Approval to enter into construction contracts as necessary for the delivery and future maintenance of the scheme;
- vi. Approval for any further decisions required to allow the scheme to proceed through to delivery to be taken by the Corporate Director of Growth, Environment & Transport under the Officer Scheme of Delegations following prior consultation with the Cabinet Member

Reason(s) for decision:

The purpose of the scheme is to improve journey times for all and ensure that the transport infrastructure across Ebbsfleet and the surrounding area is used as efficiently as possible

Cabinet Committee recommendations and other consultation:

The UTMC scheme was promoted and endorsed as part of the Kent Thameside Strategic Transport Infrastructure Programme (STIPs) (Decision Number 12/01953).

The proposal was considered and endorsed by members of the Environment and Transport Cabinet Committee at their meeting on 19 January 2021.

Any alternatives considered:

EDC and KCC have considered options for the scale of UTMC implementation within the business case for the UTMC project. The following options were considered:

- No implementation of the UTMC across all junctions
- Scaled back, partial implementation of UTMC on some of the identified junctions only
- (Chosen option) Implementation of UMTC on the identified 41 junctions

For UTMC to effectively work the scheme coverage needs to include groups of junctions coordinated through UTMC. This means there is no practicable option that would reflect a scaled back version of the preferred option, without eroding the coherence of the overall intervention.

Any interest declared when the decision was taken and any dispensation granted by the Proper Officer:

None

Milb.	8/2/2021	
Signed	date	•••••

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