TEMPLATE FOR ENTRY TO FORWARD PLAN OF KEY DECISIONS

Responsible Cabinet Member – Matthew Balfour - Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport

Reference No:

Executive Decision

Section 1 – the decision needed, how it relates to KCC Strategic Statement 'Increasing Opportunities, Improving Outcomes 2015 -2020'. What is the impact, costs and risks involved with this proposed decision?

Title: Sturry Link Road, Canterbury

The Decision needed: (The title of the decision or narrative of the decision needs to be self explanatory so it is clear what the decision is being sought)

Approvals to take the highway improvement scheme for Sturry Link Road through the next stages of development including authority to progress statutory Orders and to enter into land and funding Agreements.

How the decision relates to the Strategic Statement - 'Increasing Opportunities, Improving Outcomes 2015-2020'.

Supports the Strategic Outcome of 'Kent Communities feel the benefits of economic growth' The scheme will reduce congestion, improve safety and help mitigate associated air quality concerns. By providing capacity it will unlock development potential for many new homes and jobs in north east Canterbury. The benefits will broaden out to Herne Bay and Thanet.

Impact/costs and risks of proposed decision

Current funding for scheme development work is from developer contributions. The scheme will be funded by developer contributions and it has in principle approval of Local Growth Funding.

The Decisions are to allow the scheme to be progressed through the development stages and hence there are no immediate consequential impacts or risks.

Section 2 – Who is taking the final decision and when

Who is taking the Decision

Matthew Balfour - Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport

Date: After and subject to outcome of Report to Environment and Transport Cabinet Committee on 16/9/15.

If Key Decision - reason (see note on what constitutes a Key Decision) **Executive Decision**

Reason if this decision has been delayed/withdrawn from a previous plan N/A

Notify all Members of the Council **Not necessary**

Section 3 – Who is to be consulted? If no please provide reasons?

Please state if there are any additional legal requirements to consult other than those stated in the Local Government Act 1999 - Best Value Duty.

No

Aims and level(s) of consultation (KCC consultation levels attached)

N/A. There is an established mechanism for liaison with Borough Council's, Parish Councils, landowners and organisations associated with a major scheme. This will be continued and developed as the scheme is progressed together with any formal consultations associate with any statutory approvals required. A draft Communications Plan has been prepared.

Key consultee groups

See above

Start and finish dates of consultation.

See above

Equalities Impact Assessment included in the consultation documentation. Please state where this can be found.

N/A at present – EIA considerations and EQIA will be prepared at an appropriate time as part of the scheme development and design.

Date of publication of consultation outcomes and updated Equalities Impact Assessment

N/A - See above

Informing Only (Who and when) N/A

Has the matter already been discussed by a Cabinet Committee? If not when will be it discussed by the Cabinet Committee and the date of the meeting Environment and Highways Cabinet Committee - 16/9/2015.

Is the matter referred to in your Business Plan or Medium Term Capital Programme? Yes. GET Directorate Business Plan 2015/16 and KCC Budget Book 2015/16 Section 3, Capital Investment Plan, Line 50.

Which Members and electoral Divisions are affected by this proposed decision? Is it All Members?

Herne & Sturry Canterbury West Canterbury North East

Section 4 – Responsible Officer – Who to contact for more information.

Your name, Your Service, Your phone number and email address: Richard Shelton, Project Manager (Major Projects), H&T 03000 419550 richard.shelton@kent.gov.uk

Support documents **None**