

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL – RECORD OF DECISION

DECISION TAKEN BY

Mike Whiting

Cabinet Member for Planning, Highways, Transport and Waste

DECISION NO:

18/00034

For publication

Key decision* Yes – Expenditure over £1m

Subject: Herne Relief Road, Bullockstone Road Improvement Scheme

Decision:

As Cabinet Member for Planning, Highways, Transport and Waste, I agree to:

- the feasibility design for the Herne Relief Road, Bullockstone Road Improvements for development to full design, development control and land disclosures shown in principal on drg no. 4300400/000/09.
- progress the design through the next stages of development and delivery including any ancillary works such as drainage and environmental mitigation;
- take all steps necessary to obtain and implement all statutory Orders and approvals or consents required for the schemes;
- all acts required to acquire the land and rights for the carrying out and completion of the Bullockstone Road Improvements, including by means of a compulsory purchase order;
- enter into firm land and funding agreements associated with development contributions;
- enter into construction contracts as necessary for the delivery of the scheme subject to the approval of the Procurement Board to the recommended procurement strategy,
- seek amendments to the existing planning permission as required, during the next stages of the scheme design, and
- the Corporate Director of Growth, Environment & Transport, under the Officer Scheme of Delegations, to take further or other decisions as may be appropriate to deliver the Bullockstone Road Improvement Scheme in accordance with these recommendations

Reason(s) for decision:

Bullockstone Road is a narrow single carriageway unclassified route which does not currently provide a safe and suitable route for all users. The road is subject to a 7.5 tonne weight restriction and is regularly used as a 'rat run' between the Greenhill area of Herne Bay and the A291 to Canterbury.

It is proposed to improve Bullockstone Road as part of the Herne Relief Road, put forward for the Lower Herne Village development at Strode Farm. The relief road is intended to keep additional development traffic away from the existing constrained route through the village of Herne.

The scheme is to be fully funded by developer contributions via s106 agreements.

Cabinet Committee recommendations and other consultation:

Consultation for the scheme has been undertaken by Hollamby Estates as part of the Lower Herne Village proposals and by Canterbury City Council Bullockstone Road Improvements planning application. KCC have engaged with the affected landowners and Herne and Broomfield Parish Council.

It is intended to engage with directly with stakeholders including local members and affected Bullockstone Road residents at the start of the outline design with a wider engagement in early 2019 once a more robust design is available.


The proposal was considered and endorsed by Members of the Environment and Transport Cabinet Committee at their meeting on 13 July.

It was also agreed that the Local Member will be kept fully informed and involved in the scheme.

Any alternatives considered:

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

None

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signed 
Name: *MIKE WHITING*

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