

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL – RECORD OF DECISION

DECISION TAKEN BY:

**Mike Whiting, Cabinet Member for Planning, Highways,
Transport and Waste**

DECISION NO:

19/00051

For publication

Key decision: YES

Subject Matter / Title of Decision

Fastrack Full Network - Bean Road Tunnel

Decision:

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

- i) give approval to the progress of the reference design as shown on Drawing No. B2350500-JAC-HA-XX-DR-D-0001 Rev P01 for development control and land charge disclosures;
- ii) give approval to progress all statutory approvals or consents required for the scheme including transfer of land and rights;
- iii) give approval to carry out consultation on the scheme;
- iv) give approval to enter into forward funding and investment funding agreement(s) subject to the approval of the Infrastructure Commissioning Board;
- v) give approval to enter into a design & build construction contract as necessary for the delivery of the scheme subject to the approval of the Infrastructure Commissioning Board to the recommended procurement strategy, and
- vi) give approval for 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 Fastrack Full Network – Bean Road Tunnel scheme in accordance with these recommendations.

Reason(s) for decision:

A key element of the large-scale regeneration that is underway at Ebbsfleet Garden City relies on a hugely increased use of public transport. Fastrack is a high-quality Bus Rapid Transit system which will provide the core infrastructure to deliver the public transport offer. The focus of this report is the Bean Road Tunnel which is an important element in the Fastrack Full Network and will provide a bus route and a footpath/cycleway linking Eastern Quarry and Bluewater.

Cabinet Committee recommendations and other consultation:

Consultation will be carried out as the scheme progresses.

The scheme was discussed and endorsed by members of the Environment and Transport Cabinet Committee at their meeting on 16 July

Any alternatives considered and rejected:

None

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

None

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signed



29/7/19
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date