Decisions taken by Transport Committee

DATE OF MEETING: Friday, 7 July 2023

CIRCULATION: Members of the WYCA Overview & Scrutiny Committee

Agenda Item No.	Subject/Title of Report	Decision(s)	
5	Bus Service Improvement Plan Update	Resolved: The approach to further development of the Bus Network Plan be endorsed, including the use of criteria to prioritise Combined Authority-funded interventions in the bus network in order to: • Continue to provide socially necessary connectivity. • Restore, stabilise and protect the network from further cuts • Enhance and grow the network Delegation on the £3,875,221 BSIP+ budget to the Interim Director of Transport Operations and Passenger Experience (Mobility Services and Transformation) in consultation with the partner councils, for the 2023/24 financial year be endorsed. The next steps for delivery of the Bus Network Plan and wider BSIP programme updates be noted.	
6	East Leeds Flexibus Trial Review	Resolved: The proposed early termination of the trial East Leeds Flexibus service in accordance with the terms of the trial be noted	
7	Transport Policy Update	Resolved: That the updates provided in the submitted report be noted. The Chair of the Transport committee write to the Department for Transport on behalf of the	

		members to raise members' concerns regarding the closure of staffed railway ticket booths, and to request an extension of the 21-day consultation period. Combined Authority officers to engage with disability and other transport interest groups regarding the rail station staffing consultation.	
8	Project approvals	With respect to the Active Travel Tranche 4 and Capability Fund 2023, the Transport Committee approved that:	
		(i) The Active Travel Tranche 4 programme proceed through decision point 2 (strategic outline case) and work commence on development of individual project business cases as outlined in this report.	
		(ii) The Capability Fund programme proceed through decision point 2 (strategic outline case) to activity 5 (Delivery) subject to approval to proceed.	
		(iii) An indicative approval to the Combined Authority's contribution of £19,961,635 be given. The total scheme value is £19,961,635.	
		(iv) Delivery costs of £990,000, be approved in order to progress into activity 5 (Delivery) subject to approval to proceed. Grant funding agreements be entered into with the respective partner councils for the following projects: o £240,000 for the School Streets Fund scheme (West Yorkshire Combined Authority), o £400,000 for the Eastern Gateway scheme (Leeds City Council) o £350,000 for the Bentley's Residential	
		Streets scheme (Leeds City Council)	
		(v) Development costs of £2,353,309 be approved in order to progress Active Travel Tranche 4 schemes to decision point 4 (via business justification case or full business case) and £150,000 for the	

- Hebble Trail Development Works (Calderdale).
- (vi) Delivery costs of £2,530,967 for the Capability Fund programme be approved in order to progress to activity 5 (Delivery) subject to an approval to proceed.
- (vii) Taking the total scheme approval to £6,024,276.
- (viii) The Combined Authority enter into a funding agreement with each partner council for the following amounts: o Kirklees Council up to £436,477. o Calderdale Council up to £1,370,000. o Wakefield Council up to £719,390. o Bradford Council up to £488,056. o Leeds City Council up to £1,444,823.
- (ix) Delegation be given to the Director of Transport Policy and Delivery to amend allocated funding amounts released as part of this decision as required.
- (x) Future approvals be made in accordance with the assurance pathways and approval routes outlined in the submitted report, subject to remaining within tolerances. Where further approval is required, the respective programme or schemes will return to the Transport Committee.

With respect to the A638 Dewsbury Cleckheaton Sustainable Travel Corridor, the Transport Committee approved that:

(i) The change request to the A638
Dewsbury Cleckheaton Sustainable
Travel Corridor scheme to increase the
Combined Authority contribution
funding to £15,269,915, release
£560,200 funding to support business
case development and to reduce the
outputs as detailed in the submitted
report be approved. The total scheme

			value will increase from £12,884,315 to £15,799,977.	
		(ii)	Development costs of £560,200 be given to progress the scheme to Activity 4 (full business case), taking the total approval to £1,927,670.	
		(iii)	The Combined Authority enter into an addendum to the existing funding agreement with Kirklees Council for expenditure of up to £1,927,670.	
		(iv)	Future approvals be made in accordance with the assurance pathway and approval route outlined in the submitted report.	
11	Governance arrangements	Resolved	:	
		The Transport Committee noted the governance arrangements approved by the Combined Authority at the Annual Meeting on 22 June 2023.		
		The Active Travel Working Group be established for the municipal year 2023/24, with the terms of reference and arrangements as set out in Appendix 5 to the submitted report.		