

EXECUTIVE MEMBER DECISION FORM

DECISION TO BE TAKEN BY: CLLR STUART WHITTINGHAM

KEY DECISION: NO

PORTFOLIO AREA: TRANSPORT AND INFRASTRUCTURE

PORTFOLIOS AFFECTED: TRANSPORT

WARDS AFFECTED: ALL

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENT OF CONSULTANTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE COUNCIL'S CONTRACT PROCEDURE RULES

1. RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Cabinet Member is recommended to:

- (i) Approve the appointment of Mott MacDonald to undertake transport studies in relation to:
 - a) Saughall Massie Infrastructure Improvements
 - b) Strategic Transport Framework

2. REASON/S FOR RECOMMENDATIONS:

In accordance with the Council's Contract Procedure Rules, a procurement exercise has been undertaken and Mott MacDonald have been selected to undertake the identified projects.

The provision of an efficient, well maintained and accessible transport network is a critical factor in facilitating economic growth. We need to have the necessary infrastructure in place that will meet the current and future needs of businesses and residents.

Feasibility Studies need to be undertaken to enable future decisions to be taken regarding suitability for scheme progression and if appropriate, assess eligibility for funding opportunities.

The ceiling figure for the Saughall Massie infrastructure Improvements study is £50,000.

The ceiling figure for the Strategic Transport Framework is £40,000.

This decision is being made in accordance with Part 3 Schedule 5 of the Councils Constitution.

3. STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

The recommendations are made further to legal advice from the Deputy Monitoring Officer and the Section 151 Officer has confirmed that they do not incur unlawful expenditure. They are also compliant with equality legislation and an equality analysis and impact assessment has been completed. The recommendations reflect the core principles of good governance set out in the Council's Code of Corporate Governance.

4. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

There are no conflicts of interest.

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| Signed:  Cabinet Member: Cllr Stuart Whittingham Date: 9-11-17 Also present: | Signed:  Chief Officer: Mark Smith Date: 9/11/17. |
| Date of Senior Policy Team Meeting(s): | |

A list of background papers on this issue is held with:

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