

Transport and the Environment Board

Thursday, 09 February 2023

Programme Approvals

Is the paper exempt from the press and public?	No
Reason why exempt:	Not applicable
Purpose of this report:	Funding Decision
Is this a Key Decision?	Yes
Has it been included on the Forward Plan of Key Decisions?	Yes

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Executive Summary

This report requests the approval/ endorsement to progress 7 schemes subject to the conditions set out in the Assurance Summaries.

What does this mean for businesses, people and places in South Yorkshire?

This report is seeking approval to progress business cases and enter into contract for a number of investment proposals which will support the MCA's aspirations.

Recommendations

The Board consider and approve:

1. Progression of 'T0014/1 – West of Doncaster Active Travel (Edlington)' Full Business Case (FBC) to approval and award of £0.38m grant from Transforming Cities Fund (TCF) to Doncaster Metropolitan Borough Council (DMBC) subject to the conditions set out in the Assurance Summary attached at Appendix A1;

2. Progression of 'T0017/3 – Bennethorpe to Hallgate' FBC to approval and award of £1.26m grant from TCF to DMBC subject to the conditions set out in the Assurance Summary attached at Appendix A2;
3. Approval of 'MSF0005 – Active Travel Crossings' Business Justification Case (BJC) and award of £1m grant from Mayors Sustainability Fund (MSF) to South Yorkshire Mayoral Combined Authority (SYMCA), subject to the conditions set out in the Assurance Summary attached at Appendix B1;
4. Progression of 'CRSTS08/01 – Darton Active Travel Route' Strategic Business Case (SBC) to Outline Business Case (OBC) and release of development costs of £0.16m against scheme costs of £1m from City Region Sustainable Transport Settlement (CRSTS) to Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council (BMBC), subject to the conditions set out in the Assurance Summary attached at Appendix C1;
5. Progression of 'CRSTS05/01 – Wombwell to Worsborough TPT Link' SBC to OBC and release of development costs of £0.15m against scheme costs of £1.1m from CRSTS to BMBC, subject to the conditions set out in the Assurance Summary attached at Appendix C2;
6. Delegated authority be given to the Head of Paid Service in consultation with the Section 73 and Monitoring Officer to enter into Legal agreements for the schemes covered above.

The Board consider and endorse:

7. Progression of 'CRSTS11 – A61 Chesterfield Road' to MCA for approval of progression from SBC to OBC and release of development costs of £0.25m against scheme costs of £10m from CRSTS to Sheffield City Council (SCC), subject to the conditions set out in the Assurance Summary attached at Appendix C3;
8. Progression of 'CRSTS49 – Park & Ride – Penistone Rail Station' to MCA for approval of progression from SBC to OBC and release of development costs of £0.75m against scheme costs of £4m from CRSTS to SYMCA, subject to the conditions set out in the Assurance Summary attached at Appendix C4.

The Board note:

9. Endorsement by Assurance Panel of the withdrawal of TCF scheme 'T0017/4 – North Bridge Cycle Connector to High Street' for DMBC due to the scheme no longer being financially viable and the remaining £0.79m TCF funding be ringfenced to DMBC to be used to support remaining TCF schemes.

Consideration by any other Board, Committee, Assurance or Advisory Panel

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1. Background

- 1.1 This report seeks approval for the progression of 7 schemes that will be resourced from previously committed Transforming Cities Fund (TCF), City Region Sustainable Travel Settlements (CRSYS) and Mayor's Sustainable Fund (MSF) grant funding.

- 1.2 **Progression of schemes to full approval and award of funding**
The paper is seeking progression to full approval and award of funding for 2 projects. The schemes are detailed in Appendix A. The total amount of funding requested is £1.64m and will be funded from TCF. The projects are located within Doncaster.

Full details of the schemes and risks are included in Appendix A1 and A2.

- 1.3 **Approval of business justification case and award of funding**
The paper is seeking approval of 1 scheme and award of funding. The scheme is detailed in Appendix B. The total amount of funding requested is £1m and will be funded from MSF. The project is located across South Yorkshire.

Full details of the schemes and risks are included in Appendix B1

- 1.4 **Progression of schemes from strategic business case to outline business case with release of development costs**
The paper is seeking approval of progression of 2 schemes and endorsement to MCA Board for approval of 2 schemes progressing from SBC to OBC and the release of development funding. The schemes are detailed in Appendix C. The amount of funding requested is £1.36m against scheme costs of £16.7m and will be funded from CRSTS. One scheme is located in Sheffield, 2 are located in Barnsley and one is relation to Penistone Rail Station which is being delivered by SYMCA.

Full details of the schemes and risks are included in Appendix C1, C2, C3 and C4.

2. Options Considered and Recommended Proposal

2.1 Option 1

Do not approve the recommendations in this report.

2.2 Option 1 Risks and Mitigations

Inability to approve the projects presented or release funding may result in the delivery and loss of activity/spend to the programmes.

2.3 Option 2

Award projects a smaller amount of grant funding

2.4 Option 2 Risks and Mitigations

All funding awards associated with the projects have been fully appraised in line with the SYMCA Assurance Framework to ensure value for money.

Funding for these projects is timebound by the funding bodies and any deliverability issues will be managed via alternative funding sources.

2.5 Option 3

Approve all recommendations

2.6 **Option 3 Risks and Mitigations**

By approving the recommendations, the available programme funding will reduce. However, the projects were included in the bids submitted to the funding bodies and/or are considered a strong strategic fit in line with investment aims.

2.7 **Recommended Option**

Option 3

3. **Consultation on Proposal**

- 3.1 Project sponsors are required to publish business cases on their websites (or an appropriate summary of the submission) and must consider all comments received and reflect this in the stages of the application process.

4. **Timetable and Accountability for Implementing this Decision**

- 4.1 Subject to the approval of the recommendations, the Head of Paid Service in consultation with the Section 73 Officer and Monitoring Officer will progress to enter into legal agreements with the promoter.

5. **Financial and Procurement Implications and Advice**

- 5.1 The projects presented for endorsement today are profiled to draw down funding as follows:
- £1.35m from the City Region Sustainable Transport Fund total allocation of £496.5m;
 - £1.64m from the Transforming Cities Fund total allocation of £166.3m;
 - £1m from the Mayors Sustainable Transport Fund total allocation of £12m.

6. **Legal Implications and Advice**

- 6.1 The legal implications of the projects have been fully considered by a representative of the Monitoring Officer and included in the recommendations agreed within the Assurance Summaries as presented in the Appendices.
- 6.2 Prior to awarding the grants, SYMCA shall ensure contracts are put in place to allow conditions of grant to be discharged.

7. **Human Resources Implications and Advice**

- 7.1 Not applicable

8. **Equality and Diversity Implications and Advice**

- 8.1 Appropriate equality and diversity considerations are taken into account as part of the assurance of the project business cases.

9. **Climate Change Implications and Advice**

- 9.1 The projects detailed in this report include new and/or enhanced active travel initiatives thereby shifting private vehicle use to more sustainable modes of

transport. This aims to deliver huge benefits for health and positively contributing to the SYMCA's climate change aspirations.

10. Information and Communication Technology Implications and Advice

10.1 Not applicable

11. Communications and Marketing Implications and Advice

11.1 Subject to approval of the schemes, marketing and communications, will promote progress and raise awareness, through the social media channels and website presence.

List of Appendices Included:

A	Progression of schemes to full approval and award of funding
A1	Assurance summary T0014/1 FBC – Edlington cycle route (DMBC)
A2	Assurance summary T0017/3 FBC – Bennethorpe to Hallgate (DMBC)
B	Approval of business justification case and award of funding
B1	Assurance summary MSF0005 BJC – Active Travel Crossings (SYMCA)
C	Progression of schemes from SBC to OBC and award of funding
C1	Assurance summary CRSTS08/01 – Darton Active Travel Hub (BMBC)
C2	Assurance summary CRSTS05/01 – Wombwell to Worsbrough (BMBC)
C3	Assurance summary CRSTS11 – A61 Chesterfield Road Bus Priority (SCC)
C4	Assurance summary CRSTS49 – Park & Ride Penistone Rail Station (SYMCA)

Background Papers

None