South Yorkshire Transport Capital Programme

The South Yorkshire Transport Capital Programme comprises the capital programmes of the MCA, SYPTE and the programmes managed centrally by the LTP team.

The latest position including how it is being financed is summarised in the table below.

2019/20 approved Programme							
Programme	Managing Agent	Budget as originally approved	Current budget	Forecast Outturn	Variance		
		£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000		
Highways Capital Maintenance	SY partners	£11,791	£13,668	£13,668	£0		
SYPTE (excluding ITB)	SYPTE	£8,754	£10,132	£10,132	£0		
Integrated Transport Block	LTP team	£8,428	£10,548	£9,619	-£929		
Transforming Cities Fund	SCR Executive	£0	£4,244	£4,244	£0		
BDR Transport Capital Pot	SCR Executive	£2,693	£3,079	£3,079	£0		
Low Emission Buses	SCR Executive	£0	£1,293	£1,293	£0		
National Pothole Fund	SY Partners	£0	£723	£723	£0		
Mass Transit	SCR Executive	£0	£127	£127	£0		
		£31,666	£43,814	£42,885	-£929		

Sources of finance	
	£'000
DfT capital grant	33,345
Other contributions	1,314
Capital receipts	1,464
Borrowing	6,762
	42,885

Highways capital maintenance and National Pothole funding

The overall amount of local roads funding held by the MCA is £14.391m (Highways Capital Maintenance of £13.668m and National Pothole funding of £0.723m).

A further £1.688m of grant distributed by the MCA to delivery partners in 2018/19 is being carried forward into 2019/20 within the accounts of the partners concerned.

This means that the overall level of local roads funding for which the SCR is ultimately accountable in 2019/20 is £16.079m.

As at Q2 the total spend to date based on information provided to the LTP team by highways teams management at each local authority was £7.102m. A breakdown by authority is provided below:

	Funding Available	Spend to date as at Q2	
	£'000	£'000	
Barnsley	3,909	2,435	
Doncaster	7,900	2,107	
Rotherham	4,270	2,561	
	16,079	7,103	

SYPTE

The overall SYPTE capital programme (excluding ITB) is little changed from Q1. There has been a small increase of £92k funded by grant and other contributions.

Actual and committed spend to the end of September 2019 is slightly ahead of the forecast made at the start of the year.

Integrated Transport Block

The ITB programme as a whole of £10.548m comprises the current year allocation of £8.428m and carry forward of underspend from 2018/19 of £2.120m.

A summary of allocations by delivery partner is provided in the table below. The amount at Programme Entry has been brought into line with the funding available.

	Funding available Programme Entry	
	£'000	£'000
Barnsley	1,297	1,297
Doncaster	1,833	1,834
Rotherham	1,376	1,376
Sheffield	3,182	3,184
SYPTE	2,512	2,513
Countywide	348	343
	10,548	10,547

As at Q2 the total spend to date based on information provided to the LTP team was £2.253m.

The Transport Board at its meeting on 15 July 2019 requested a review of the ITB programme commissioned by the PTE to determine if there would be any benefit in, or capacity to, re-allocate funding within the programme. The focus of the review was on higher risk projects, with any funding identified for re-allocation being placed in a central pot with options for use to be considered by the Board.

The outcome of this review was reported to the Transport Board on 25 October 2019. The Board agreed to defer funding for five projects to enable works to be completed in 2020/21. This accounts for £714k of the forecast underspend in 2019/20.

The Board requested that specific proposals be developed in how the remaining £215k of the forecast underspend might be used for further consideration.

Transforming Cities Fund (Tranche 1)

The MCA received £4.244m of Transforming Cities Funding at the end of March 2019. This allocation was in respect of the following schemes, all of which are to be delivered by the end of 2019/20:

- £2m Sheffield Package of Cycling Infrastructure improvements
- £1.264m River Don Corridor Active Travel Package
- £0.980m Rotherham Town Centre Active Travel Package

Funding agreements are now in place for each of the above.

BDR transport capital pot

The BDR transport capital pot is being used to fund a package of schemes in Barnsley, Doncaster and Rotherham.

As previously reported, Barnsley are using their £1.043m allocation as an additional contribution to the overall funding package for the M1 Junction 37 Phase 1 Highway Improvement Scheme.

The likelihood is that the funding for this scheme will now be required in 2020/21 rather than 2019/20.

Low Emission Buses

The requirements for paying out this grant have now been met. Grant is expected to be paid out in full by the end of Q3.