PORTFOLIO HOLDER – ENVIRONMENT AND TRANSPORT

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REPORT OF	Councillor Stewart Swinburn, Portfolio Holder for Environment & Transport
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	Interim Director of Economy & Growth
SUBJECT	Highways & Transport scheme update – End of Quarter 4 2018/19
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CONTRIBUTION TO OUR AIMS

Through the various highways & transport improvement schemes, the Council is seeking to provide the highway infrastructure to enable safe and sustainable access to employment, education, training and social opportunities. Each of these improvement schemes will contribute towards the Council's priorities of 'Stronger Economy and Stronger Communities'.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report sets out a summary of the progress made in delivering Highways & Transport schemes to date, with specific reference to those schemes that have been delivered during the period January – March 2019. Once approved, this update will be circulated to all Members ensuring that they are kept informed of progress.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Portfolio Holder notes the Highways & Transport scheme update (presented in section 1.3) and approves its circulation to all Members for information.

REASONS FOR DECISION

To ensure transparency in the delivery of the Council's capital programme and provide an opportunity for formal consideration of the programmes.

1. BACKGROUND AND ISSUES

1.1 This report provides information about highways & transportation projects that are either currently being delivered or where work is currently being undertaken to deliver a scheme in the future. Note that schemes delivered through the Council's Local Transport Plan (LTP) capital funding and routine maintenance schemes are not included in this report.

1.2 The following schemes included within this update, which covers the period to the end of March 2019:

- Pedal & Stride to Economic Growth (DfT Access Fund project)
- Toll Bar junction improvements (Greater Lincolnshire Local Enterprise Partnership – GLLEP/Council)
- Nuns Corner junction improvements (GLLEP/Council)
- Littlecoates Rd/Cambridge Rd junction improvements (GLLEP/Council)
- A18 Safer Roads fund (Department for Transport)
- A180 South Humber Bank major maintenance scheme (Humber Local Enterprise Partnership/Council)
- Cleethorpes Cycle Hub (National Station Improvement Plan, Council and others)
- South Humber Bank Link Road (GLLEP & NELC capital scheme)

1.3 Project progress table.

Project title & description	Funding	Progress during Q4 2018/19 (January – March 2019)	Anticipated actions for Q1 2019/20 (April-June 2019)
Pedal & Stride to Economic Growth *Current Stage:* ***Delivery*** A package of interventions aimed at encouraging and enabling sustainable transport across North East Lincolnshire.	£1.388m revenue funding secured from DfT (over the period 2017-2020) plus a further £1.211m of local match funding from the Council's LTP capital programme and other local partners.	• Continued delivery of project elements including: o Installation of new RTI signs in support of local bus services. o Delivery of School holiday cycle initiatives with Lincs Inspire (February) o Bike to Work Week (March) o Start of 2019 Dr Bike event programme (March) o Distribution of "walk to" leaflets (March) • End of year output report compiled and submitted for Portfolio Holder review in June 2019. • Total expenditure (2018/19) £552,727, Budget £552,892. 99.97% of budget used in year.	• Bike Week (June) events including official launch of Cleethorpes Cycle Hub. • Walk to School Week events (May) • Award of Residential Travel Plan contract (May) with works commencing in June. • Continued delivery of Bikeability/Balanceability & Scootability programmes with local schools. • Continued delivery of monthly Dr Bike events at: o Grimsby Leisure Centre o Cleethorpes Leisure Centre o Centre 4 o Bert Boyden Centre o People's Park o Grant Thorold Park
Toll Bar junction improvements *Current Stage:* ***Tender*** Replacing the current roundabout with a traffic signal junction, providing safety improvements for pedestrians and cyclists whilst also improving journey times through the junction and enabling future housing sites to come forward.	£4.2 million from Greater Lincolnshire LEP (GLLEP) for all three junctions (inc Nuns Corner & Littlecoates Road / Cambridge Road junctions) towards a total project cost of £4.8m	• Tender issued and received responses.	• To be confirmed

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Nuns Corner junction improvements *Current Stage:* ***On hold*** Improvements to the roundabout capacity and the provision of safer crossing facilities for cyclists and pedestrians.	See above Business case to be resubmitted to GLLEP	• Scheme moved to "reserve list" for GLLEP. GLLEP have identified other priority schemes to achieve spend by March 2021 and have moved the scheme to their "reserve list".	• None identified at this time.
Littlecoates Rd/Cambridge Rd junction improvements *Current Stage:* ***Design*** Replacing the existing mini-roundabout with a full size roundabout to resolve the existing pinch-point whilst also enabling the development of the former Western School site.	See above Business case to be resubmitted to GLLEP	• Detailed business case submitted to GLLEP for consideration • Internal engagement and design work on going	• Continue engagement, revise design and production of Project Management Framework documents, and agree communications approach.

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A18 Safer Roads Fund. *Current Stage:* ***Design*** Safety improvements to the A18 Barton Street.	£2.8m from the Department for Transport	• Communication with local residents, businesses and landowners.	• Start date dependent on delivery of other network schemes as A18 may form part of the diversionary route and in the interests of maintaining traffic flows and network resilience, it would not be appropriate to undertake multiple works within a similar location at the same time. • Noise assessment to be carried out Waltham Rd junction with A18 in preparation for delivery phase.
A180 South Humber Bank major maintenance – Phase 1 *Current Stage:* ***On site*** Major maintenance of Moody Lane and Woad Lane (between Est Rd 5-Moody Lane junctions)	£2.1m from the Humber LEP supported by a further £0.5m from the NELC capital programme	• Public consultation surveys completed and results have helped shaped programme. • Tender process complete and contract awarded • Carriageway and footway (Est Rd 5 - Est Rd 1) on going.	• Completion of Est Rd 5 - Est Rd 1 footway and carriageway work during May. • Resurfacing of carriageway & footway along Est Rd 1 to Laforey Road to begin in May • Bridge joint repairs (over A180) to be completed by Highways England (May)
South Humber Bank Link Road *Current Stage:* ***On site*** Providing a new strategic road link connecting Hobson Way and Moody Lane, Grimsby providing an alternative route for HGV traffic moving between the docks and improving access to key Enterprise Zone sites	£2.0m from Greater Lincolnshire LEP and £6.3m from NELC capital programme	• Land transactions finalised. • Tender process complete and awarded. • Excavation and site clearance started with new material being placed to create foundation for the new road.	• Further on site work from the Hobson Way end of the scheme to prepare and construct new road. • Once this section is complete, access to businesses will be provided via Hobson Way whilst works on Moody Lane side is undertaken.

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Cleethorpes Cycle Hub *Current Stage:* ***Complete*** Conversion of a redundant building at the station into a new Cycle Hub facility for the resort.	£0.450m from several sources including the National Station Improvement Programme, LTP capital funding and other local contributions.	• On site works complete, Cleethorpes Cycle Hub opened 23 March 2019.	• On site snagging list to be worked through. • NELC/ENGIE providing comms and marketing support for formal opening programmed for 8 June.

RISKS AND OPPORTUNITIES

2.1 The risks and opportunities for each project are managed in line with the NELC project management guidelines, by the relevant Programme Managers.

3. OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

3.1 Do nothing, and do not deliver Highways and Transport schemes like those identified above. If this course of action was pursued the Council may miss out on opportunities to secure external funding. This would in turn put additional pressure on existing budgets to deliver the appropriate highway infrastructure to support economic growth and our local communities.

4. REPUTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS CONSIDERATIONS

4.1 There are potential positive and negative reputational implications for the Council resulting from the schemes considered in this report. A formal Highways and Transport Engagement Process has been agreed by the Council and ENGIE for all major schemes to ensure that reputation and communications are considered at an early stage of all schemes.

5. FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

5.1 As identified in the table in section 1.4, the schemes listed are at a variety of stages and as such have a variety of financial implications, these are briefly summarised below:

Scheme	**NELC financial implications**
Pedal & Stride to Economic Growth (DfT Access Fund project)	Local contribution of £1.211m from the Council's Local Transport Plan (LTP) capital programme assigned to deliver capital projects that support the revenue funded initiatives delivered through the project. • £0.319m - 2017/18 (actual) • £0.691m - 2018/19 (actual) • £0.201m - 2019/20 (estimated).
GLLEP junction improvements Tollbar, Nuns Corner, Littlecoates Rd/Cambridge Rd.	NELC capital contribution and S106 agreements associated with nearby residential developments totalling £0.6m across all three schemes.
Cleethorpes Cycle Hub	£30,000 contribution from NELC LTP capital programme 2018/19 towards the project.
A18 Safer Roads Fund	No requirement for local contribution towards the scheme.
A180 South Humber Bank major maintenance – Phase 1	£0.5m from NELC capital programme secured to support scheme to match Humber LEP funding
South Humber Bank Link Road	£6.3m from NELC capital programme as part of the wider SHIIP project approved.

5.2 Bids that require financial or staff resource from NELC will be delivered in line with the NELC external funding approach guidance. Any schemes for which the full funding has not yet been secured, will not progress to construction until such a time that the funding has been fully secured.

6. CONSULTATION WITH SCRUTINY

6.1 This report is formally considered by the Economy Scrutiny Panel and additional involvement of Scrutiny is determined on a scheme by scheme basis.

7. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

7.1 Progress of spend against budgets is monitored and reported as part of the quarterly Budget Monitoring Reports to Cabinet.

7.2 All of the schemes are incorporated into the Council's approved Capital Investment Programme.

8. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

8.1 There are no legal implications arising out of the report, its nature being that of updating the Portfolio Holder and recommending circulation of the Highways & Transport update between all Members.

9. HUMAN RESOURCES IMPLICATIONS

9.1 There are no direct implications contained within this report**.**

10. WARD IMPLICATIONS

10.1 The delivery of these significant schemes will impact on wards across North East Lincolnshire.

11. BACKGROUND PAPERS

11.1 None

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