AGENDA ITEM

STOCKPORT COUNCIL

REPORT TO CABINET-SUMMARY SHEET

Subject: A34 MAJOR ROAD NETWORK (MRN) CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENT SCHEME — UPDATE REPORT
Report to Cabinet

Report of: (a) Cabinet Member for Economy and Regeneration

Key Decision: (b) Y

Forward Plan Y General Exception Special Urgency (Mark with a Y if applicable)

Summary:

This report provides an update on the progress of developing the A34 MRN Corridor Improvement Scheme including the consultation process, development of the schemes and development of the outline business case. This report will recommend that approval to submit the outline business case and subsequent final business case and requests the necessary approvals for the implementation of this plan will be delegated to the Cabinet Member for Economy and Regeneration.

Comments/Views of the Cabinet Member: (c)

I recommend the details of the report and its recommendations to the cabinet for approval

Recommendation(s) of Cabinet Member: (d)

This report provides a detailed update on the progress with developing the Stockport A34 Major Road Network Corridor Improvement Scheme and The Cabinet is requested to:

Note the findings of the consultation and agree to the further development of the schemes as recommended in the report.

Approve the approach to the development and submission of the outline business case and subsequent full business case.

Delegate to the Section 151 Officer, the Corporate Director Place in consultation with Cabinet Member (Economy & Regeneration), the authority to approve the Outline Business Case and the full business case.

If funding is secured from the DfT to progress to the next stage of development, Cabinet are also requested to:

Agree to authorise officers to enter into negotiations with affected landowners to secure the necessary land by agreement.

Delegate to the Corporate Director Place in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Economy & Regeneration the authority to enter into agreement with the landowners for temporary access

rights and purchase the land necessary to construct the scheme.

Agree in principle to the use of CPO powers, if necessary, to acquire land and property and existing rights and interests in the proposed order land, where acquisition by agreement is not possible;

Agree to authorise officers to take all necessary steps to commence the process for the making, confirmation and implementation of a CPO, including securing the appointment of suitable external advisors and preparing all necessary CPO documentation;

Note that a further report will be presented to the Cabinet to approve the making of any CPO and to confirm the extent of the order land to be acquired following the finalisation of the necessary preparatory work.

Approve that officers develop and consult on the Traffic Regulation Orders to support the schemes and their construction.

Approve that officers develop and submit the necessary planning applications.

Approve the delegation of all matters relating to the DfT grant offer and its terms, and any implications for the Scheme and the agreement with DfT to the Corporate Director Place in consultation with the Cabinet Member Economy and Regeneration.

Delegate to the Corporate Director Place in consultation with the Cabinet Member (Economy & Regeneration) the authority to approve the final schemes and their construction programme following approval of the final business cases.

Approve that the Council underwrites the local contribution and if required, makes up the shortfall in funding.

Relevant Scrutiny Committee (if decision called in): (e)

Economy and Regeneration

Background Papers (if report for publication): (f)

Contact person for accessing background papers and discussing the report

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'Urgent Business': (g) Yes/ No (Please circle)

Certification (if applicable)

This report should be considered as 'urgent business' and the decision exempted from 'call-in' for the following reason(s):

The written consent of Councillor and the Chief Executive/Monitoring Officer/ Borough Treasurer for the decision to be treated as 'urgent business' was obtained on /will be obtained before the decision is implemented.