

STOCKPORT COUNCIL
EXECUTIVE REPORT – SUMMARY SHEET

Subject: Ward Discretionary Budget - Cheadle East & Cheadle Hulme North

Report to: (a) Cheadle Area Committee

Date: 30 July 2024

Report of: (b) Director of Place Management

Key Decision: (c) **NO / ~~YES~~** (Please circle)

Forward Plan General Exception Special Urgency (Tick box)

Summary:

The report seeks approval for an allocation of funds for a traffic study at Ladybridge Road and Councillor Lane.

Recommendation:

The Area Committee is requested to recommend that the Cabinet Member for Finance & Resources allocate £4000 from the Ward Discretionary Budget (Cheadle East & Cheadle Hulme North ward allocation) for a traffic study at Ladybridge Road and Councillor Lane.

Relevant Scrutiny Committee (if decision called in): **(d)**

Communities & Transport Scrutiny Committee

Background Papers (if report for publication): **(e)**

Contact person for accessing background papers and discussing the report

Officer: Jamie Birtles

'Urgent Business': (f) **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.

Ward Discretionary Budget - Cheadle East & Cheadle Hulme North

Report of the Director of Place Management

1. INTRODUCTION AND PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 Ward Councillors have requested a traffic, signals and road safety study to be conducted by the Highways & Transportation Service at the area of Councillor Lane and Ladybridge Road in Cheadle East & Cheadle Hulme North.
- 1.2 A budget of £4000 was originally dedicated from the Delegated Ward Budget to support this work.
- 1.3 The purpose of this report is to request the allocation of £4000 for this work from Ward Discretionary Budget, as opposed to the Delegated Ward Budget.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1. In 2023/24, Cheadle East & Cheadle Hulme North ward councillors agreed a study to look at potential design and signal issues around the junction of Councillor Lane and Ladybridge Road in Cheadle East & Cheadle Hulme North.
- 2.2. The original agreement was that a £4000 budget from the Delegated Ward Budget was used to fund the traffic study.
- 2.3. The close-out of the Discretionary Ward Budget in 2023/24 financial year had some funding remaining that has been held over by Democratic Services to fund the traffic study.
- 2.4. Proposals for this change have been delayed in being brought to Area Committee, but the funding has been budgeted in the 2023/24 Discretionary Ward Budget and will be dispersed on approval of this report.

3. PROPOSALS

- 3.1. To utilise the £4000 disbursement from the 2023/24 Discretionary Ward Budget to fund the study, rather than the 2024/25 Delegated Ward Budget.

4. CONSIDERATION OF ALTERNATIVE SOLUTIONS

- 4.1. No other alternatives were considered.

5. CONSULTATION

- 5.1 No consultation required.

6. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 To drawdown £4000 from the 2023/24 Discretionary Ward Budget to fund the study.

7. TIMESCALES

7.1 Upon approval

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

8.1. The Area Committee is requested to recommend that the Cabinet Member for Finance & Resources allocate £4000 from the Ward Discretionary Budget (Cheadle East & Cheadle Hulme North ward allocation) for a traffic study at Ladybridge Road and Councillor Lane.

Background Papers

Anyone wishing further information please contact Jamie Birtles
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