CITY REGION SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT SETTLEMENTS – A6 CORRIDOR IMPROVING JOURNEYS UPDATE REPORT

Report of the Director of Place Management

1. MATTER FOR CONSIDERATION

1.1 The Area Committee are asked to consider the recommendations of the Communities and Transport Scrutiny meeting and comment on the proposals for the A6 Corridor Improving Journeys scheme elements within this area committees boundaries which was presented to them at the August Area Committee.

2. INFORMATION

- 2.1 Following the area committee meeting on the 1st of August where the Area Committee received the <u>CRSTS A6 Corridor Improving Journeys Report</u> and its related <u>appendices</u> the Area Committee requested that the report and its recommendations be referred to Communities and Transport Scrutiny Committee.
- 2.2 The <u>CRSTS A6 Corridor Improving Journeys Report</u>¹ to the 2nd of September Scrutiny Committee has resulted in the following recommendation:
 - That further consultations take place with bus drivers and associated Trades Unions prior to the design detail stage of the A6 Corridor Improving Journeys scheme.
 - That further investigation is undertaken to consider opportunities to create protected junctions either as part of this scheme or as part of related emerging schemes.
 - That a clear statement for the future ambition for entirety of the A6 be produced and that this Scrutiny Committee be given the opportunity to contribute to that vision.
 - That the scheme takes stronger steps to align with the council's aim to become carbon neutral by 2038, following the declaration of a climate emergency in 2019, by prioritising and encouraging more of a modal shift to active travel methods within the business case and detailed design work.

3. PROPOSAL WITHIN CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE

- 3.1 As shown within the previously submitted committee report within the Central Area Committee area the scheme proposes the following:
- 3.1.1 Within Edgerly ward: We are proposing 73m of Shared footway / cycleway with a minimum width of 3m, from the bridge over the River Mersey, which then links to the existing Toucan Crossing facilities at the A560 Junction. The carriage on King Street West will maintain widths of 3.25m.
- 3.1.2 Within Brinnington and Central Stockport ward: We are proposing 51m of segregated cycle lane within Brinnington & Stockport Central, along Heaton Lane,

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¹ Page 151 of the report pack.

- from under the railway bridge. It will link to the already existing shared footway / cycleway to the East (at the Heaton Lane / Astley Street Junction).
- 3.2 The consultation drawing for this area of the scheme can be seen in appendix 1 and the revised drawing following the consultation can be seen in appendix 2. For greater clarity we have also produced a plan which clarifies the area within the Central Stockport Area Committee boundaries which is shown in appendix 3.

4. RECOMMENDATION

4.1 The Area committee are asked to consider the comments of the 2nd of September Communities and Transport Scrutiny meeting and reconsider the recommendation presented to them at the 1st of August meeting that they support that the Cabinet Member (Cabinet Member for Parks, Highways & Transport Services) approves the proposed measures within the Central Stockport Area Committee area.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

There are none

Anyone wishing to inspect the above background papers or requiring further information should contact Sue Stevenson, Nick Whelan on telephone number Tel: 0161-474-4351, Tel: 0161-474-4907 or alternatively email sue.stevenson@stockport.gov.uk, nick.whelan@stockport.gov.uk