Homework item #24 - Background to Policy GEN 4

Introduction

1. This homework item provides background to Policy GEN 4, including details of the infrastructure projects that have been forward funded by the Council (including costs and funding sources) and the relevant LPS sites, which are expected to contribute via S106 payments to the recovery of the forward funding.

Infrastructure Delivery Plan

2. The Infrastructure Delivery Plan¹ that accompanied the LPS identifies the overall strategic infrastructure needed to deliver the Local Plan development requirements. A total of 39 schemes are identified for the improvement to the road network as detailed in Table 4 (pages 31 to 35). This includes information on costs, timescales and responsibility for delivery, as well as funding and current status details. The schemes were ranked 1 to 3 in terms of their perceived importance to the delivery of the Local Plan at the time (July 2016), with the majority of schemes (20) being ranked as 1 or the highest priority.

Forward Funded Projects – Overall Cost Details

3. Site allocation policies in the LPS reference the need to make contributions to strategic highway schemes that the Council is intending to forward fund. Table 1 identifies these schemes, provides a rounded breakdown of costs and gives an indication of their current status. The costs and financial risks associated with the forward funded element of these schemes falls on the Council who underwrite and are responsible for the overall delivery of the schemes.

¹ http://cheshireeast-consult.limehouse.co.uk/file/4094467

Forward Funded Road Scheme	Total Scheme Estimate (£m)	External Public Sector Funding (£m) ²	Council & Received S106 Contribution (£m) ³	Underwritten Forward Funded Element (£m)	Scheme Status
Congleton Link Road	89.6	53.5	17.1	19.0	Completed
Poynton Relief Road	50.7	22.7	21.8	6.2	Under Construction
A500 Dualling, Crewe	68.7	55.1	8.5	5.1	Not Started
Flowerpot Junction, Macclesfield	5.5	3.5	0.8	1.2	Not Started
Crewe Green Roundabout	7.6	5.3	0.2	2.1	Completed
Sydney Road Bridge, Crewe	11.0	6.0	0.5	4.5	Completed
North West Crewe Package	36.5	15.0	7.2	14.3	Not Started
Middlewich Eastern Bypass	74.0	48.2	5.4	20.4	Not Started
Total	343.6	209.3	61.5	72.8	

Table 1 - Breakdown of Costs Associated with Forward Funded Schemes

LPS Sites Expected to Contribute to Forward Funded Projects

4. In total, 22 of the sites allocated in the LPS are expected to contribute, via S106 contributions, towards the strategic highway schemes being forward funded by the Council. Table 2 provides a breakdown of these sites by scheme.

² External funding sources include the Department for Transport, Local Growth Fund and Local Transport Plan funding

³ The Council's contribution to the total £61.5m identified in this column is £56.5m i.e. £5m has so far been received via S106 contributions to these strategic highway schemes (comprising some £1.8m Congleton Link Road, £1.6m A500 Dualling, £0.2m Crewe Green Roundabout, £0.4m Sydney Road Bridge and £1m Middlewich Bypass).

Forward Funded Road Scheme	LPS Sites Expected to Contribute		
Congleton Link Road	 LPS 26 - Back Lane / Radnor Park, Congleton LPS 27 - Congleton Business Park Extension LPS 28 - Giantswood Lane South, Congleton LPS 29 - Giantswood Lane to Manchester Road, Congleton LPS 30 - Manchester Road to Macclesfield Road, Congleton LPS 31 - Tall Ash Farm, Congleton 		
Poynton Relief Road	 LPS 33 – North Cheshire Growth Village, Handforth East LPS 48 – Land adjacent to Hazelbadge Road, Poynton LPS 49 – Land at Sprink Farm, Poynton LPS 50 – Land South of Chester Road, Poynton LPS 51 – Adlington Business Park Extension, Poynton 		
A500 Dualling, Crewe	 LPS 2 - Basford East, Crewe LPS 3 - Basford West, Crewe LPS 7 - Sydney Road, Crewe LPS 8 - South Cheshire Growth Village South East Crewe 		
Flowerpot Junction, Macclesfield (Part of the Macclesfield Town Centre Movement Strategy)	The LPS does not specify sites related to this scheme but cites a future transport study that will identify such sites e.g. see Policy CO 2 and Strategic Location LPS 12 (Central Macclesfield).		
Crewe Green Roundabout	LPS 6 – Crewe GreenLPS 7 – Sydney Road		
Sydney Road Bridge, Crewe	LPS 7 – Sydney Road		
North West Crewe Package	LPS 4 – Leighton WestLPS 5 - Leighton		
Middlewich Eastern Bypass	 LPS 42 – Glebe Farm LPS 43 – Brooks Lane LPS 44 – Midpoint 18 LPS 45 – Land off Warmingham Lane 		

Table 2 – Breakdown of LPS Sites Expected to Contribute to the Recovery of Forward Funded Road Schemes