

Agenda Item No: 3.6

### **Transforming Cities Fund Report**

To: Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority Board

Meeting Date: 30 March 2022

Public report: Yes

Lead Member: Mayor Dr Nik Johnson

From: Rowland Potter Head of Transport

Key decision: No

Forward Plan ref: n/a

Recommendations: The Combined Authority Board is recommended to:

- a) Note the contents of the Annual Transforming Cities Fund Report (Appendix 1) for submission to Department for Transport (DfT)
- b) Support the principle of utilisation of TCF Capital underspend to support Sustainable Transport schemes (Active Travel & Bus Improvements) as agreed in future budget reports.
- c) To delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer to submit the Transforming Cities Fund Report to DfT

Voting arrangements: A simple majority of all Members present and voting.

To be carried, the vote must include the vote of the Mayor, or the Deputy Mayor when acting in place of the Mayor.

#### 1. Purpose

1.1 The purpose of this report is to share with the Board the Transforming Cities Fund Report for submission to the DfT as per the criteria within the TCF Grant Award of 2018.

#### 2. Background

- 2.1 As stated within the Grant Determination of March 2018, the purpose of the Transforming Cities Fund (TCF) is to boost productivity, transform intra-city connectivity and reduce congestion through investment in public and sustainable transport in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough.
- 2.2 In Cambridgeshire and Peterborough, the TCF has been devolved and decisions about how to invest the fund are taken by the Combined Authority Board in accordance with the aims for the Fund set out in the devolution agreement, the Combined Authority's Constitution, Assurance Framework, and strategic policy framework.
- 2.3 The attached TCF Report details the projects on which TCF funds are allocated from the Gainshare. The spend to date as of January 2022 and the forecast expenditure (tables 1-5 within the main report).
- 2.4 The report also provides summary reports into the context of each project and delivery confidence as reported regularly at Transport and Infrastructure committee.
- 2.5 The TCF time limitations are for projects to be delivered by the end of March 2023, as the funding and expenditure report details there is a potential shortfall in spending ( see Transforming Cities Fund Budget Expenditure and Forecast page 8 of main report) across the current identified projects.
- 2.6 It is proposed that following agreement of the Annual Gainshare budget that consideration be given in relation to capital swap of some current TCF projects for newly agreed sustainable transport projects that could be delivered within the time frame with actual physical completion, most notably temporary active travel schemes being made permanent following Tranche 1 & 2 Capability Funding development and design

## 3. Financial Implications

- 3.1 It is a requirement for retention of our TCF funding that we submit this report
- 4. Legal Implications
- 4.1 None.
- 5. Other Significant Implications
- 5.1 There are no other significant implications to this report

# 6. Appendices

6.1 Appendix 1 – Transforming Cities Fund Report March 22