



**CAMBRIDGESHIRE  
& PETERBOROUGH**  
COMBINED AUTHORITY

Agenda Item No: n/a

## Local Transport Model Full Business Case

To:	Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority Board
Meeting Date:	22 March 2023
Public report:	Yes
Lead Member:	Mayor Dr Nik Johnson
From:	Steve Cox, Executive Director for Place and Connectivity
Key decision:	Yes
Forward Plan ref:	KD2023/014 [Special urgency]
Recommendations:	<p>The Combined Authority Board is recommended to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a) Delegate authority to the Executive Director for Place and Connectivity in consultation with the Chief Finance Officer and Monitoring Officer to enter into Grant Funding Agreements with Cambridgeshire County Council.</li></ul>
Voting arrangements:	<p>A simple majority of Members present and voting.</p> <p>To be carried, the vote must include the vote of the Mayor, or the Deputy Mayor when acting in place of the Mayor.</p>

## 1. Purpose

- 1.1 This report is seeking an approval for delegation to the Executive Director of Place and Connectivity to enter into a grant funding agreement with Cambridgeshire County Council for the development of the local transport model.
- 1.2 The Chair of Overview and Scrutiny agreed on 15<sup>th</sup> March 2023 that a key decision could be considered by the Combined Authority Board on 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2023. The reasons for the position are outlined below.

## 2. Background

- 2.1 The Key Decision relates to recommendations that were made to the Combined Authority Board in January 2023 whereby the Board approved the following recommendations:
  - a) Agree the full business case for the Transport Model including the timeline and future arrangements for the delivery of the Model; and
  - b) Approve the drawdown of £1.721m allocated within the Medium-Term Financial Plan for the delivery of the model.
- 2.2 However, there was an oversight in seeking an approval for delegation to the Executive Director of Place and Connectivity to enter into a grant funding agreement with Cambridgeshire County Council. The Officer dealing with this matter has also left the Combined Authority.
- 2.3 The GFA has now been approved by Officers at the Mayoral Combined Authority as well as Cambridgeshire County Council, however, the legal team have noted that there is no delegation in place to approve and sign off the grant funding agreement.
- 2.4 This decision is urgent and cannot reasonably be deferred until the next Board meeting as Cambridgeshire County Council has commenced works and will be seeking a final version of the grant funding agreement in order to drawdown grant funding. Any delay in receiving such funding could have a detrimental effect on the delivery of the project.

## Significant Implications

### 3. Financial Implications

- 3.1 None.

### 4. Legal Implications

- 4.1 The Legal team will review the required legal agreements.

### 5. Public Health Implications

- 5.1 None.

## 6. Environmental and Climate Change Implications

- 6.1 The development and implementation of the transport model will enable the Combined Authority and partners to assess and validate the impact of schemes and initiatives on the region's environment and climate change implications.

## 7. Other Significant Implications

- 7.1 None.

## 8. Appendices

- 8.1 None.

## 9. Background Papers

- 9.1 [Notice of use of Special Urgency Procedure](#)