

## Decisions of West of England Combined Authority Committee on 16 June 2023

NUMBER	AGENDA ITEM	DECISIONS
9.	Investment Fund Programme	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That the allocation of £1.5m to support the Place Partnership funding bid to Arts Council England as set out in paragraph 2.7-2.9 be approved;</li> <li>2. That the award of £200k of funding to support the Investment Fund Gateway 2 process as set out in paragraph 2.10-2.13 be approved;</li> <li>3. That the Strategic Outline Case for Western Harbour and the award of £2.56m to produce a masterplan concept report and highway alignment feasibility assessment report by March 2025, as set out in paragraph 2.14 be approved;</li> <li>4. That the Feasibility and Development Funding Application for the Muller Road Eastbound Bus Lane and the award of £388k to produce a Full Business Case by February 2024, as set out in paragraph 2.15 be approved;</li> <li>5. That the Outline Business Case for the Keynsham to Willsbridge Path and the award of £455k to produce a Full Business Case by March 2025, as set out in paragraph 2.17 be approved;</li> </ol>
10.	Delivery Assurance	That the change requests for schemes within the current programme as set out in Appendix 2 be approved.
11.	Transport Schemes	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 That the award of £7.775m to fund enhanced rail services on the Severn Beach and Westbury lines for 3 years, drawing down the £4m allocated for programme risk at the March 2023 Committee and £3.775m of additional revenue funding from Investment Fund, as set out in paragraphs 2.1.1 to 2.1.14 of the report be approved;</li> <li>2 That delegated authority to the West of England Combined Authority Strategic Director of Infrastructure in consultation with the Unitary Authority Infrastructure Directors to spend the £123k of LEVI capability funding that has been secured and any future capability and</li> </ol>

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		<p>capital funding secured through LEVI where there is urgency, subject to successful bids, as outlined in paragraphs 2.2.1 to 2.2.4 of the report be approved;</p> <p>3 That delegated authority to the West of England Combined Authority Strategic Director of Infrastructure in consultation with the Unitary Authority Infrastructure Directors to spend the £3.6m of Active Travel Fund that has been secured through the tranche 4 bidding process for schemes as outlined in paragraphs 2.3.1 to 2.3.10 of the report be approved;</p> <p>4 That funding of £1.25m to review and update the Joint Local Transport Plan and transport major scheme programme following the publication of guidance from the Department for Transport, as outlined in paragraphs 2.4.1 to 2.4.5 of the report be approved;</p> <p>5 That the extension to the Outline Business Case submission date to March 2024 and associated funding of £471k, as outlined in paragraphs 2.5.1 to 2.5.7 of the report be approved;</p> <p>6 That delegated authority for approval of business cases and subsequent spend and delivery of cycling and walking schemes of £6m and below to the West of England Combined Authority Strategic Director of Infrastructure in consultation with the Unitary Authority Directors of Infrastructure, where there is headroom within a programme and no material impact on other schemes. In the absence of unanimous agreement the delegation reverts to the West of England Combined Authority Chief Executive in consultation with the Unitary Authority CEOs, as set out in paragraphs 2.6.1 to 2.6.7 of the report be agreed;</p> <p>7 That the approval of a Feasibility and Development Funding Application(s) for up to £15.1m for the activities to be undertaken through the City Regions Sustainable Travel Settlement top slice to the West of England Combined Authority Strategic Director of Infrastructure in consultation with the Unitary Authority Directors of Infrastructure, as outlined in paragraph 2.7.1 of the report be approved.</p>
<b>12.</b>	Transformation Programme & Regional Strategy	<p>1. That the structure and actions of the West of England Combined Authority transformation programme be noted;</p>

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		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. That the progress towards the revised regional strategy, and any steers on issues that the Committee would like to be factored in as the work progresses, be taken into account;</li> <li>3. That it be noted that a further update on the transformation programme will be provided to the October Committee meeting.</li> </ol>
13.	West of England Employment & Skills Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• That the refreshed West of England Employment and Skills Plan as detailed in Appendix 1, be approved;</li> <li>• That the next steps on the green construction and retrofit skills feasibility work, as set out in paragraph 2.7, be approved;</li> </ul>
14.	Combined Authority & Mayoral Budget Outturn 2022/23	That the outturn position for the West of England Combined Authority Revenue Budget; The outturn position for the Mayoral Revenue budget; and The Capital Outturn as set out in Appendix 1 be noted.
15.	Treasury Management Outturn Report 2022/23	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That the Treasury Management Outturn Report to 31 March 2023, prepared in accordance with the CIPFA Treasury Code of Practice and the Treasury Management Indicators to 31 March 2023 be noted;</li> <li>2. That the allocation of £475k (25% of budget surplus) to the Treasury Management reserve, as set out in paragraph 2.16, be approved.</li> </ol>
16.	Update to West of England Combined Authority Purchase Order & Contract Approval Limits	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That the West of England Combined Authority's Constitution be updated with the revised approval limits as set out in Table A.</li> <li>2. That this decision be subject to the implementation of the Corporate Commercial Procurement Panel and a Corporate Commercial Procurement Board as listed in the Section 3.2 of this report. If any items that relate to novel, contentious or repercussive, or pose a potential high-risk, additional approvals and control measures be applied to these items. It is the responsibility of the Head of Service, Finance Business Partners, Senior Responsible Officers and Commercial Procurement team to provide assurance and review to all spend items.</li> </ol>

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		<p>3. That the Authority's Overview &amp; Scrutiny Committee be requested to oversee the impact of these changes;</p>
17.	2023/24 Committee Forward Plan	That the regular updating and publication of the Forward Plan on the West of England Combined Authority website be endorsed.
18.	Ratification of Interim Monitoring Officer	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That the appointment of Daniel Dickinson as Interim Director of Legal Services (Monitoring Officer) be ratified;</li> <li>2. That the appointment of Tom Clark as the Combined Authority's interim Monitoring Officer for a one-week period (17th June 2023 until 23rd June 2023 inclusive) be ratified.</li> </ol>