

Appendix A – Full detail of Investment Fund delegated decisions taken on 16 December 2021

Proposal

1. Seek approval for the Feasibility and Development Funding Applications for the development of 8 walking and cycling 'Phase 2' schemes to the value of £1.006m.
2. Seek approval for the Bristol City Council Change Request for the Old City/King Street 'Phase 1' scheme to the value of £244,000.
3. To seek approval of the Feasibility and Development Funding Application for the Temple Quarter Regeneration Programme.

Background

- 4 At the WECA Committee in June 2020, £10m was allocated through the Investment Fund for walking and cycling infrastructure, and the approval of Feasibility and Development Funding Applications up to £1m was delegated to the WECA Chief Executive in consultation with the Chief Executives of the constituent councils. The amount of development funding which could be drawn down through this delegation was extended to £2m at the Committee meeting in June 2021.
- 5 At the WECA Committee in December, it was agreed to allocate £2.226m from the Investment Fund to the Temple Quarter Regeneration Programme and delegate the approval of a Feasibility and Development Funding Application to the West of England Combined Authority Chief Executive in consultation with the Chief Executives of the constituent councils. This total is made up of £345k from the Housing and Regeneration Enabling Fund and the balance from the Investment Fund headroom.

Phase 2 Walking and Cycling Projects

- 6 At the CEO meeting on 15 April a package of Feasibility and Development Funding Applications was approved totalling £750k which included:
 - Bath Quays Bridge cycle/pedestrian links £170k
 - Bath University walking & cycle routes (between Bath city centre and Odd Down) £80k
 - Old City and King Street £100k
 - St George Liveable Neighbourhood £150k
 - Strategic Cycle Route connecting Thornbury with the A38 via Alveston £125k
 - Strategic Cycle Route connecting Yate with the East Fringe (Yate Spur) £125k
- 7 At the CEOs meeting on 1 October 21 the composition of the phase 2 package of schemes to be developed was agreed, totalling £1.006m. This agreement left £244,000 unallocated from the £2m for scheme development, from which a proposal

for the funds would be presented by BCC at a later date.

- 8 [Feasibility and Development Funding Applications](#) have now been produced for these schemes up to Outline Business Case. The B&NES forms require sign off, which it is expected will be provided in advance of the meeting.

B&NES

- Fieldings Bridge: £50,000
- Bath Road – Keynsham: £62,000
- Silver Street/Fosseway walking route: £62,000
- City Centre to Weston Cycle route: £62,000

BCC

- Concorde Way / Dovercourt Depot: £400,000

SGC

- Thornbury – Grovesend / Gillingstool (Phase 2): £100,000
- Ring Road – Filton to MOD: £145,000
- Keynsham Road to Bitton: £144,500

Phase 1 Change Request

- 9 Old City/King Street is a BCC scheme from Phase 1 of the TCF funding. It was also successful in receiving additional funding from the Active Travel Fund (ATF) Tranche 2, which has allowed BCC to implement an on-street trial of the scheme since September 2020 to pedestrianise the area. The temporary traffic regulation order (TTRO) is due to expire in March 2022.
- 10 The funding remaining from the ATF is only enough to deliver a permanent TRO for the current area, and not the planned additional improved links or public realm enhancements. The current TCF could cover these, but as the key benefit of the scheme is realised through the TRO, the remaining physical works delivered by the Active Travel Fund would not have a favorable BCR on their own.
- 11 Therefore, the Change Request (see Appendix 1) proposes that the TRO, additional links and public realm benefits are all delivered through TCF with the unallocated £244,000 within the approved delegation. This allow the TCF to realise the full benefits, and reduces the ask upon the ATF, allowing this funding to be directed to other priority projects.
- 12 These proposals therefore fully commit the current funding for scheme development under the approved delegation.

Temple Quarter Regeneration Programme

- 13 [The Feasibility and Development Funding Application Form](#) for the Temple Quarter Regeneration Programme has been produced for approval seeking the drawdown of the £2.226m from the Investment Fund (alongside £50k of EDF using the existing award for the Temple Quarter Programme Team) in line with the delegation granted by Committee.

Recommendations

- 1) Approve the Feasibility and Development Funding Applications for the development of walking and cycling 'Phase 2' schemes to the value of £1.006m.
- 2) Approve the Change Request for the Old City/King Street 'Phase 1' scheme to the value of £244k, bringing the total Investment Fund to £344k.
- 3) Approve the Feasibility and Development Funding Application for the Temple Quarter Regeneration Programme and award of £2,226,112