

**REPORT TO: WEST OF ENGLAND JOINT COMMITTEE**

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**REPORT TITLE: LEP BUDGET SETTING REPORT – 2023/2024**

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**Purpose of Report**

- 1 To consider and approve the Budget in respect of the Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP) for 2023/24. Change request approvals are also included as part of this reporting process.

**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

**The Joint Committee are requested to:**

- a) Approve a 2023/24 contribution of £110k per each West of England Unitary Authorities, (to be reviewed for 2024/25 onwards), as match funding to attract the government's LEP Capacity Funding;
- b) Approve a £160k drawdown from the LEP General Reserve to fund the shortfall in 2023/24 LEP operating costs;
- c) Approve the LEP Budget for 2023/24 as set out in Appendix 1;
- d) Comment and Review on the LEP revenue forecast for 2022/23 as set out in Appendix 2;
- e) Approve a £120k drawdown from the LEP General Reserve to fund the shortfall in the 2022/23 LEP Capacity Core Grant;
- f) Approve the change requests for schemes within the Local Growth Fund programme as set out in Appendix 3;
- g) Approve the change requests for schemes within the Economic Development Fund programme as set out in Appendix 4.

## Reasons for recommendation

- Statutory Requirements and Recommended Best Practice.

## Voting Arrangements:

A, C, G – Decision requires majority agreement of Committee Members in attendance, or their substitutes (one vote representing each Authority) and excluding the West of England Combined Authority Mayor.

B, D, E, F - Decision requires majority agreement of Committee Members in attendance, or their substitutes (one vote representing each Authority) and including the West of England Combined Authority Mayor.

## Background / Issues for Consideration

- 1 The purpose of the West of England LEP is to secure the region's continuing and ambitious economic success and attractiveness as a place for its residents to live and thrive and for businesses and communities to grow in a sustainable way.
- 2 Over recent years, Government funding streams have tended to be allocated to places through either Mayoral Combined Authorities or through Local Authorities and the role of LEPs in overseeing funding allocations has shifted towards more of a strategic advisory function. This is consistent with the direction of travel set out in the Levelling Up white paper and conclusion of the LEP Review which has set out Government's intention to integrate LEPs into local democratic institutions.
- 3 The West of England Combined Authority, (CA), acts as the Accountable Body for the range of funding streams on behalf of the West of England Councils and LEP. This report sets out details of the proposed revenue budgets for the LEP for the 2023/24 financial year and provides a forecast against current year budgets.

## LEP Delivery and Running Costs and Medium-Term Forecast

- 4 The core running costs of operating the LEP in terms of furnishing the Joint Committee, operating the LEP Board and applying for, receiving, and managing various grant streams has been consistent for several years now. Savings have been enacted where possible, however such opportunities are limited due to the need to retain a two-tier committee structure for managing funding within the region. With increments and staff pay awards, the core costs for 2023/24 amount to £1,086k which are mainly funded by:
  - (a) A core LEP Capacity grant of £375k (Reduced in 2022/23 from £500k) which is approved on a year-by-year basis;
  - (b) Match funding contributions from the four West of England Unitary Councils (£440k);
  - (c) A time limited RIF administrative grant which will be fully utilised by 2023/24 (£112k)
- 5 For the last four financial years the required match funding contribution from each local authority has been reduced from £150k to £110k with the funding gap being met through higher than budgeted returns on cash investments (Treasury Management). However, with the Local Growth Fund concluded in March 2021, LEP cash balances have been low and can no longer generate sufficient revenue returns to support the committed operating costs. In addition to this, In July 2022 confirmation on the arrangements for the 2022-23 LEP Core Funding allocation was received at £375k against a recurring budget to that point of £500k. It is recommended that the funding shortfall for 2023/24 is met through drawing down £160k from the LEP General Reserve. With annual increases in staffing costs, diminishing returns on investments, reductions in the LEP Capacity Core grant, local authority contributions will need to be reviewed from 2024/25 onwards.

6 Activities covered by the LEP have expanded overtime due to successfully attracting numerous grants into the region. Despite this, we have retained the core staffing levels, and costs, at a relatively steady state. As the majority of spend is staff related, pay award increases will continue to impact on budget requirements over the coming years. A 4.5% pay uplift has been modelled for 2023/24, and then 3% the following year followed by 2% per annum thereafter. The resulting anticipated spend compared to the resources available is detailed in Figure 1.

**Figure 1: LEP Core Running Costs Net of Specific Grant Allocations:**

	<b>2022/23 Budget £'000s</b>	<b>2023/24 Budget £'000s</b>	<b>2024/25 Budget £'000s</b>	<b>2025/26 Budget £'000s</b>	<b>2026/27 Budget £'000s</b>
<b>Core Staff and Related Overheads*</b>	1,287	1,086	1,119	1,140	1,161
<b>Funded by:</b>					
Unitary Authority Contribution	440	440	440	440	440
LEP Core Capacity Grant**	500	375	375	375	375
Drawdown from Reserve	160	160	160	0	0
RIF Admin grant	184	112	0	0	0
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>1,284</b>	<b>1,087</b>	<b>975</b>	<b>815</b>	<b>815</b>
<b>Increase / (Shortfall) in funding</b>	<b>(3)</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>(144)</b>	<b>(325)</b>	<b>(346)</b>

\* Reduction in staff costs due reduced housing activity.

\*\*Actuals Received in 2022/23 were £375k against the budget of £500k.

### **Specific Grants and Activities from the LEP Budget**

7 Specific grant funding of £10.7m was generated in 2022/23 and correspondingly, £6.8m for 2023/24 as detailed in Figure 2.

**Figure 2: LEP Specific Revenue Grant Income – Medium Term Forecast**

LEP Grant Income	22/23 £'000s	23/24 £'000s	24/25 £'000s	25/26 £'000s	26/27 £'000s	Total £'000s
A - Net Zero Hub (BEIS)	3,789	3,296	1,320	1,037	0	9,442
B - Green Homes (BEIS)	3,908	0	0	0	0	3,908
C - Growth Hub (BEIS)	350	350	0	0	0	700
	8,047	3,646	1,320	1,037	0	14,050
D - One Public Estate (DLHUC)	33	678	0	0	0	711
E - Infrastructure & Investment Plan (DLHUC)	19	183	47	0	0	249
F - LEP Additional Capacity (DLHUC)	104	0	0	0	0	104
G - Careers Hub (CEC+DLHUC)	751	665	579	193	0	2,188
	907	1,526	626	193	0	3,252
H - Creative Scale Up (DCMS)	527	488	428	0	0	1,443
I - AMIF (Ashley Housing)	47	65	0	0	0	112
J - Skills Advisory Panel (DfE)	95	0	0	0	0	95
K - IBB (RIF)	1,083	1,000	1,000	0	0	3,083
L - EDF Management	67	67	67	67	67	335
	10,773	6,792	3,441	1,297	67	22,370

- A. Net Zero Hub: Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS) grant to increase the number, quality and scale of local energy projects, to raise local awareness of opportunities and attract private and public finance for energy projects. This grant serves the wider South West Region.
- B. Green Homes: This scheme sets out to improve low energy performance homes. The Revenue element is reflected in *Figure 2* along with planned spend on capital grants as detailed in *Figure 3*. This grant serves the wider South West Region. This is expected to end in 2022/23 as per the table.
- C. Growth Hub: Funding to support local providers and businesses looking to grow, establishing a stronger local economic region. The future certainty of this funding is uncertain beyond 2023/24 although there will be spend commitments beyond this period which will need accounting for.
- D. One Public Estate: Grant funding to support and deliver land initiatives with government and other public sector partners with the aim of rationalising the overall ownership of public sector assets with match funding required from the Investment Fund. The OPE programme is administered by the Local Government Association, with the West of England CA currently acting as the partnership lead for the region. It focuses on providing funds for projects and programmes that focus on housing, co-location & integration, town centre regeneration surplus public sector land deposits and strategic solutions. Through OPE, funds have been given to a range of projects across the region, including recent funding that was announced in November from the Brownfield Land Release Fund which helps councils transform unused, redundant or derelict sites into new housing sites.
- E. Infrastructure and Investment Delivery Plan: Provided to the UAs to support a strategic planning policy framework to sustainably boost the overall housing supply, deliver affordable

housing and accelerate sustainable housing.

- F. LEP Capacity Fund Additional Capacity: Provided to the CA in order to develop an evidence base Local Industrial Strategy. This will end in 2022/23 as indicated in Figure 2.
  - G. Careers Hub: Activity to match business volunteers with schools and colleges to support with their strategic employer engagement.
  - H. Creative Scale Ups: Government grant to help creative industries grow by improving access to expert knowledge and training as well as supporting businesses through training and advice on securing investments.
  - I. Asylum Migration Integration Fund (AMIF): Funded by Ashley Housing, this is digital entrepreneurship and business support for refugee and migrants project, aiming to support the launch, stabilisation and growth of refugee and migrant business through personalised business support.
  - J. Skills Advisory Panel: Provided to the Combined Authority to provide high quality local-level skills analysis and help maintain relationships between local employers and skill providers.
  - K. Invest Bristol & Bath: IBB is funded through the Revolving Infrastructure Fund, (RIF), as part of a five-year deal, (to be reviewed after year three), as approved by the Joint Committee in October 2019.
  - L. EDF Management: For managing EDF programme.
- 8 Overall LEP Grant Funding that has been attracted is now circa £22.4m over the Medium-Term Financial Strategy period, (MTFS), as per Figure 2.
- 9 Many of the grants attracted by the LEP are relatively short term in nature. Any staff recruited to support specific grant funded activities are engaged on a fixed term basis linked to the duration and security of the relevant funding stream.
- 10 The majority of spend relates directly to staff administering the specific initiatives and third-party grant payments being made to local businesses and organisations to help build the local economy and skills of the local workforce.

### **Revenue Forecast Position**

- 11 Appendix 2 details the LEP, (including IBB), revenue forecast for the 2022/23 financial year based on actual information as at the end of December 2022 which shows spend of £12m against an original budget of £9m. The difference is mainly due to the receipt and phasing of additional government grants in relation to the Net Zero Hub and associated Green Homes grant together with IBB and Career Hub. The net forecasted deficit is £120k which is due to the reduction in the Core Capacity Grant. An approval of £120k is recommended to be drawdown to support this year's revenue budget as a result of this shortfall.

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### Green Homes to Improve Energy Efficiency In homes

- 12 The LEP received £64.1m of government funding as part of phase 2 of the local authority delivery scheme. There is c£51m allocated for capital grants to improve the energy efficiency of homes of low-income households. Green Homes has delivered the highest number of housing improvements of similar schemes in England but will underspend due to the challenges of contract mobilisation and delivery with other similar government grant schemes running beyond their original end dates. In acknowledgement of this BEIS had approved an extension until September 2022.

**Figure 3: Green Homes Grant Analysis**

Total Funding	Spend-to-Date	Allocated	Underspend
£000s	£000s	£000s	£000s
64,126	43,798	7,237	13,091

### Accountable Body Functions

- 13 The Combined Authority act as Accountable Body for the Local Enterprise Partnership, (LEP), activities, which includes significant capital investment in the region.
- 14 The capital funding streams administered by the Accountable Body include:
- The Revolving Infrastructure Fund (RIF) - £57m
  - The Economic Development Fund (EDF) - £500m
- 15 The RIF Capital Programme is detailed in Figure 4:

**Figure 4: RIF Medium Term Capital Programme**

Forecast payments / receipts	21/22	22/23	23/24	24/25	25/26	26/27	27/28+
	£000s	£000s	£000s	£000s	£000s	£000s	£000s
Total Spend all Schemes	53,662	10,505	10,723	1,381	30	30	0
Total Revolved Funds All Schemes	-18,855	-4,925	-3,021	-4,595	-6,143	-6,143	-18,977
<b>Balance Held</b>	<b>22,193</b>	<b>16,613</b>	<b>8,911</b>	<b>12,125</b>	<b>18,238</b>	<b>24,351</b>	<b>43,328</b>

- 15 The RIF was created in 2012 from funding awards from Government through Regional Growth Fund and Growing Places to create a revolving funding programme aimed at providing the upfront funding to enable development. All the grant funding has been awarded out and claimed, and repayment back to the fund has enabled further schemes to be approved. In line with the RIF principles approved at the Joint Committee in October 2021, the Councils have underwritten repayment and its timing. Aside from IBB, all of the projects within the RIF programme are delivered by the constituent authorities. The Combined

Authority are the accountable body for the RIF funding, a function transferred from B&NES (the then LEP accountable body) with the creation of the CA.

16 The Economic Development Fund (EDF) was created in 2012 as part of the Growth Incentive through the City Deal and is a £500m fund sourced from retained business rates growth in the area's Enterprise Zones and Areas. The overall funding, which will operate over 25 years to 2039, is managed by South Gloucestershire Council but the Combined Authority is the Accountable Body for the EDF. The Fund seeks to deliver the schemes which will unlock growth and generate the business rates uplift that will provide the £500m. The EDF is predicated on the Councils borrowing to fund the schemes with the EDF repaying the capital and interest over the term of the fund.

17 The table below shows the estimated practical EDF completions within the time frame of this report:

**Figure 5: EDF Estimated Spend within the Medium-Term Financial Strategy (MTFS) period**

Forecast Completions	2014 to 2022	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28+
	£000s	£000s	£000s	£000s	£000s	£000s	£000s
EDF	60,797	70,964	81,275	71,239	24,592	23,301	74,183

*\*EDF Estimated spend above is only looking at the capital repayments over the term of the fund and does not include the interest costs.*

### Changes Requests

18 The Joint Committee in October 2019 agreed to delegate approval of changes within stated tolerances for schemes within the approved programme to the Combined Authority Chief Executive in consultation with the Chief Executives of the constituent Councils. The changes to the Local Growth Fund and Getting Building Fund programmes which fall outside of these tolerances and require a committee decision are set out in Appendix 3. Appendix 4 sets out the change requests for schemes within the Economic Development and Revolving Infrastructure Fund programmes.

### Consultation

19 Consultation has been carried out with the Chief Executives, S151 Officers and the Combined Authority Monitoring Officer. Relevant officers within BANES, Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire have been consulted with regard to the overall economic recovery activities planned within the region.

### Other Options Considered

20 LEP budgets mainly relate to the specific grant income that has been attracted. Consideration was given to increasing the Unitary Authority match funding contributions back to their original levels. However, with the ability to drawdown funding against the LEP reserve, the contributions have again been retained at £110k per authority for 2023/24.

### Risk Management/Assessment

21 The West of England Office agreement underpins the LEP. This agreement deals with the risk sharing mechanisms between the relevant councils.

22 Uncertainty still remains in relation to the annual notification, and approval, of the reduced

£375k LEP Capacity Grant which creates volatility in terms of medium-term budget setting. The LEP hold a modest unearmarked reserve to manage financial risk. It is estimated that this reserve will be circa £363k at the start of the 2023/24 financial year (reference Figure 6), against which £160k is recommended to be drawdown to support next year's revenue budget.

- 23 Net Zero Hub Social Housing Decarbonisation Fund Wave 1 – There is a risk we may not deliver all of the outputs and spend all of the budget in time, due to partner governance and supply chain issues. If this happens we may have to repay some of the £4m grant to Government.
- 24 Energy Home Upgrade grant due to the complexities, it is more challenging to identify the correct properties and recruit homeowners. If we aren't able to deliver we may have to repay some of the £5m grant to government.

**Figure 6: LEP Forecast Reserve Balance** **£'000s**

<b>LEP Reserve balance b/fwd 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022</b>	<b>760</b>
Drawdown for Local Industrial Strategy – to deliver our region's ambition to be a driving force for clean and inclusive growth.	-36
Contributions towards LEP operating costs (to reduce the corresponding UA contribution for 2022/23 'match funding' LEP Capacity Fund)	-160
Drawdown for specialised work to develop a picture of current digital connectivity across the West of England	-71
pace Cluster grant balance transferred to reserves	-10
<b>Forecasted LEP Reserve balance c/fwd 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023</b>	<b>483</b>

\*£120k drawdown recommendation not included at this stage awaiting approval.

- 25 Uncertainty also exists with regard to the future of Growth Hub funding. We have assumed in the budget that the annual grant will be extended into 2023/24 but we have yet to receive confirmation of this and, with on-going spend commitments against the growth hub, this represents a financial risk.
- 26 There is also risk of not being able to fully spend the Net Zero Hub and Green Homes grants within the required, (extended), timescale as expenditure is affected by external stakeholders timelines and capacity. This could result in having to repay a proportion of unspent grant to government.

## **Public Sector Equality Duties**

- 27 The public sector equality duty created under the Equality Act 2010 means that public authorities must have due regard to the need to:
- Eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimization and other conduct prohibited by the Act.
  - Advance equality of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not.
  - Foster good relations between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not.
- 28 The Act explains that having due regard for advancing equality involves:
- Removing or minimising disadvantages suffered by people due to their protected characteristics.
  - Taking steps to meet the needs of people from protected groups where these are different from the needs of other people.
  - Encouraging people from protected groups to participate in public life or in other activities where their participation is disproportionately low.
- 29 The general equality duty therefore requires organisations to consider how they could positively contribute to the advancement of equality and good relations. It requires equality considerations to be reflected in the design of policies and the delivery of services, including policies, and for these issues to be kept under review.

## **Climate Change Implications**

- 30 Several of the specific LEP workstreams have a strong focus on improving climate change especially the South West Local Energy Hub, and One Public Estate. Where funds are allocated as grants to local businesses and organisations, the criteria used to prioritise funding allocations will incorporate climate improvement.

Report and advice reviewed and signed off by: *Roger Hoare, Head of Environment*

## **Finance Implications:**

- 31 All financial implications are contained within the body of the report.

Report and advice reviewed and signed off by: *Richard Ennis, Interim Acting Chief Executive & Director of Investment and Corporate Services (Section 73 Officer)*

## **Legal Implications:**

- 32 This report sets out the proposed Budgets for LEP for 2023/24. The budgets have been prepared in accordance with relevant Local Government Financial Regulations, Accounting Standards and relevant Grant Offer Letters. The West of England Combined Authority acts as agent for the transactions of the LEP.

Report and advice reviewed and signed off by: *Stephen Gerrard, Interim Director of Legal*

## **Human Resources Implications:**

- 33 The proposed Budgets include all appropriate staff costs for continuing activities for the LEP.

Report and advice reviewed and signed off by: *Alex Holly, Head of People and Assets*

**Appendices:**

- Appendix 1 Local Enterprise Partnership Budget 2023/24
- Appendix 2 Local Enterprise Partnership Revenue Forecast 2022/23
- Appendix 3 Local Growth Fund and Getting Building Fund – Change Requests
- Appendix 4 Economic Development Fund – Change Requests

**Background papers:**

(LEP) 2022/23 Revenue Budget Setting Report – Joint Committee January 2022

(LEP) Budget Monitoring Reports to Joint Committee throughout 2022

**West of England Combined Authority Contact:**

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## APPENDIX 1

### Local Enterprise Partnership Revenue Budget 2023/24 (Inc. Invest in Bristol & Bath)

	2022/23 Budget £'000s	2023/24 Budget £'000s	Increase(+)/ Decrease (-) £'000s
Core Staff and related overheads	1,287	1,086	-201
<b><u>Grant Funded Spend</u></b>			
Staff	2,908	2,349	-559
Services and Third Party Payments	4,120	3,882	-238
Overheads	650	562	-88
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>8,965</b>	<b>7,879</b>	<b>-1,086</b>
<b><u>Funded by</u></b>			
UA Contribution	440	440	0
Other Government Grants	7,681	6,792	-889
RIF Admin Grant	184	112	-72
DLCG Core and Capacity Grant	500	375	-125
Reserves	160	160	0
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>8,965</b>	<b>7,879</b>	<b>-1,086</b>
<b>Deficit</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

## APPENDIX 2

### Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP) Forecasted Revenue 2022/23

	2022/23 Budget £000s	2022/23 Forecast £000s	Variance £000s
Core Staff and Related Overheads	1,287	1,249	-38
<b><u>Project Spend</u></b>			
Staff	2,908	2,311	-597
Services & Third-Party Payments (a)	4,120	8,058	3,938
Overhead	650	520	-130
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>8,965</b>	<b>12,138</b>	<b>3,173</b>
<b><u>Income</u></b>			
UA Contribution	440	440	0
Other Government Grants (b)	7,681	10,773	3,092
RIF Admin Grant	184	150	-34
DCLG Core and Capacity Grant	500	375	-125
Interest	0	3	3
Reserve	160	277	117
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>8,965</b>	<b>12,018</b>	<b>3,053</b>
<b>Deficit</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>120</b>

**Note:**

(a) Increases are a direct result of extended approved government grants and payments.

(b) Extended Approved Government Grants.

## Appendix 3

### Change Requests Recommended for Approval

#### Local Growth Fund

<b>Project</b>	<b>Bath Quays Bridge</b>
<b>Funding awarded</b>	£2.302m
<b>Source:</b>	Local Growth Fund (LGF)
<b>Milestones:</b>	Delay of three months to the Operational milestone (to Nov 22) subject to completion of public realm.
<b>Stated reason for change:</b> The sequencing of the works to the public realm at Bath Quays South has led to a delay in the opening of the bridge.	

<b>Project</b>	<b>Institute of Advanced Automotive Propulsion Systems (IAAPS)</b>
<b>Funding awarded</b>	£10m
<b>Source:</b>	LGF
<b>Milestones:</b>	Delay of 9 months to the IAAPS Advisory Board being established.
<b>Scope</b>	IAAPS advisory board to be replaced with an industry forum event to run in conjunction with the AAPS-CDT summer showcase event.
<b>Stated reason for change:</b> Advisory Board delayed due to resolving building issues and preparation for opening and to be replaced with an industry forum event to maximise industry exposure.	

## Appendix 4

### Change Requests Recommended for Approval

#### Economic Development Fund

<b>Project</b>	<b>Bath Quays South</b>
<b>Funding awarded</b>	£11.825m
<b>Source:</b>	LGF/Getting Building Find (GBF) & Economic Development Fund (EDF)
<b>Cost/ Spend:</b>	No change to EDF funding. Increase of £687k match funding taking total scheme cost to £34.54m.
<b>Milestones:</b>	Delays of up to 9 months for public realm design and practical completion
<b>Stated reason for change:</b> Prolonged programme of work due to public realm redesign, delays caused through COVID and associated costs increases.	

<b>Project</b>	<b>Bath Quays North Infrastructure Development Works</b>
<b>Funding awarded</b>	£36.898m
<b>Source:</b>	LGF/GBF & EDF
<b>Milestones:</b>	Delays of up to 1 year to completion of Phase 1 and Phase 2.
<b>Stated reason for change:</b> Ongoing economic uncertainty as a result of the pandemic.	

<b>Project</b>	<b>Kingswood Regeneration Project</b>
<b>Funding awarded</b>	£8,680,000
<b>Source:</b>	IF/Economic Development Fund
<b>Cost/ Spend:</b>	No change to overall funding envelope. Reprofiling £611k funding from 22/23 and 23//24 to 24/25 Revised profile £819k 22/23, £3.701m 23/24 and £3.04m 24/25. Swop of EDF for Investment Fund to support TCF spend.
<b>Milestones:</b>	Delay of five months for start of construction (to Nov 2023) and to completion (Jan 2025).
<b>Stated reason for change:</b> Need to understand the complexity of forecast traffic movement when the Regent Street closure is implemented, and the impact this will have on air quality in residential roads and the risk of triggering a requirement for a new air quality management area.	

<b>Project</b>	<b>Avonmouth Severnside Ecology Mitigation and Flood Defences</b>	
<b>Funding awarded</b>	£63.9m	
<b>Source:</b>	EDF	
<b>Cost/ Spend:</b>	No change to overall funding Reallocation of spend from Client Risk Allowance into Construction Areas 1, 2, 4 & 5	
<b>Milestones:</b>	Delay of 3 months to Main Construction Works – Flood Defences & Wetland Areas.	
<b>Stated reason for change:</b> Milestone delay due to accommodating remedial earthworks and planting seasons and reallocation of spend as a result of complexities with the construction programme.		

<b>Project</b>	<b>Emersons Green Local Transport Enhancements</b>	
<b>Funding awarded</b>	£5.05m	
<b>Source:</b>	LGF/GBF & EDF	
<b>Cost/ Spend:</b>	No change to overall funding envelope. Swop of £856k EDF in 21/22 and 22/23 for TCF Revised profile EDF 21/22 £0, 22/23 £0, 23/24 £1.408m, total £1.408m Revised profile TCF £856k in 22/23	
<b>Milestones:</b>	Delay of 8 months to Complete Newlands Bridge refurbishment and approaches	
<b>Stated reason for change:</b> Delay to the completion of the bridge works and Newlands approaches due to the section 106 agreement still not signed with the developer, leading to a reduction in spending in 2022/23 and forecast spend increase into 2023/24.		

<b>Project</b>	<b>Cribbs Patchway Metrobus Extension</b>	
<b>Funding awarded</b>	£54.351m	
<b>Source:</b>	LGF, EDF & IF/TCF	
<b>Cost/ Spend:</b>	Reduction of £7.151m, decreasing overall project cost to £47.2m Swap of up to £1.01m of EDF spend in 21/22 for TCF with Kingswood Town Centre Regeneration receiving the EDF for Investment Fund. Revised EDF profile pre 22/23 £2.878m, 22/23 £0, 23/24, £1.150m, 24/25 £5.201m, total £7.209m Revised IF/TCF 18/19 £791k, 19/20 £11.918m, 20/21 £2.126m, 21/22 £6.307m, 22/23 £4.760m, total £26.912m	
<b>Stated reason for change:</b> Reduction due to Network Rail possession cost savings on the Gipsy Patch Lane bridge and sharing costs with other Network Rail projects.		

<b>Project</b>	<b>Thornbury High Street</b>
<b>Funding awarded</b>	£4.577m
<b>Source:</b>	EDF
<b>Cost/ Spend:</b>	No change to overall funding envelope Swap of up to £400k EDF spend in 22/23 for TCF with Kingswood High Street Regeneration Programme receiving the EDF for Investment Fund Revised profile Total EDF £4.177m with profile £2.175m 22/23, £2.002m 23/24, Total TCF £400k in 22/23
<b>Stated reason for change:</b> To manage full TCF spend by 22/23	

<b>Project</b>	<b>Metrowest Phase 1</b>
<b>Funding awarded</b>	£74,259
<b>Source:</b>	LGF, EDF & IF
<b>Cost/ Spend:</b>	Spend reprofiled across years Revised Investment Fund profile (including TCF) £5.245m 21/22, £657k 22/23, £9.958m 25/26, total: £15.86m Revised EDF profile: £19.154m 25/26, £26.173m 26/27, £4.203m, total: £49.531m
<b>Scope:</b>	Addition of 7 new milestones including enhancement of Severn Beach and Westbury services.
<b>Milestones:</b>	Delays to most existing milestones of between 5 and 25 months, including start of main construction works Sept 24 and scheme opening and start of train service Nov 26.
<b>Stated reason for change:</b> Cost changes due to collaborative resolution of funding gap and milestone changes as a result of funding challenges, revised costs and programme	