

APPENDIX 1

Extract of Executive Board Minutes Relevant to the Environment and Urban Renewal Policy and Performance Board

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING HELD ON 17th SEPTEMBER 2020

TRANSPORTATION PORTFOLIO

EXB14 LOCAL BUS CONTRACT TENDERS

The Board received a report from the Strategic Director – Enterprise, Community and Resources, which notified them of the Local Bus Contract Framework coming to an end in March 2021.

Members were advised of a proposal to move from a framework type agreement to a Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS) to cover the period April 2021 to March 2023, with an option to extend the period by a further two years. It was reported that a DPS would allow for flexibility to allow suppliers to join at any time during the lifetime of the DPS once they had satisfied the relevant criteria.

RESOLVED: That the Executive Board

- 1) approves the use of a Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS) agreement for the procurement of supported local bus contracts; and
- 2) notes that under Procurement Standing Order Part 2.1, the accumulative value of the contracts was projected to be in excess of £1m over the period of the DPS agreement.

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EXB15 LOCAL TRANSPORT RESPONSES TO PANDEMIC

The Board considered a report from the Strategic Director – Enterprise, Community and Resources, which updated them on the works undertaken to support the local economy and protect public health during the Pandemic.

It was reported that the guidance issued by the Departments' for Transport and Education on the restart of the transport network formed the basis of the measures implemented. This highlighted the critical importance of walking and cycling, and the allocation of public space to allow people to travel and access services in a way that

aided the ongoing need for social distancing.

The report provided information on the acceleration of local measures, to help support the safe and sustainable movement of people in the 'new normal'. For Members information Appendix 1 listed the tranche 1 schemes already in place and tranche 2 schemes still in development.

RESOLVED: That Executive Board

- 1) notes the interventions taken so far; and
- 2) receives future updates on developments in this area.

Councillors Polhill and Wharton declared a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in the following item as they are both Non-Executive Directors of the Mersey Gateway Crossings Board and left the meeting for the duration of the item.

EXB16 MERSEY GATEWAY

The Executive Board received a report from the Operational Director – Legal and Democratic Services, which sought approval to a process of consultation, so that the current *Road User Charging Scheme Order* (RUCSO), could be revoked and replaced with an updated Order.

It was reported that this was required due to the imminent reopening of the Silver Jubilee Bridge (SJB) and the changes to the road layout on the Runcorn approach to the SJB associated with the Runcorn Station Quarter regeneration. There was a requirement to update the existing Order to reflect the new road configuration. The draft updated Order was attached to the report in Appendix 1.

In requesting the Board's approval for the above, Members were also requested to consider:

- the approach roads to the SJB and their associated drawings – which need to be updated;
- further exemptions to be applied – following a representation received by the Mersey Gateway Crossings Board, suggesting anomalies in the toll charging regime and subsequent proposal to add further exceptions to the list of vehicles exempt from toll charges; and

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- charges payable – moving the two tables of *Charges Payable* from the actual Order to the Schedule attached to the Order, to enable revision by a variation order rather than the whole Order.

RESOLVED: That the Executive Board

- 1) consult on making an updated RUCSO in the form (or substantially the same form) as that in Appendix 1, on the basis prescribed in the report;
- 2) give full and proper consideration to any comments received, make the updated RUCSO in the form (or substantially the same form) as that in Appendix 1 and delegate to the Operational Director – Legal and Democratic Services, the authority to make any non-material or consequential amendments as are necessary to give it effect; and
- 3) authorises the Operational Director – Legal and Democratic Services, to take all necessary steps to bring the RUCSO into effect, provided that any material amendments or considerations shall be considered by the Executive Board before the RUCSO is brought into effect.

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EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING HELD ON 15TH OCTOBER 2020

EXB33 SCHEDULE 12A OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985

The Board considered:

- 1) Whether members of the press and public should be excluded from the meeting of the Board during consideration of the following items of business in accordance with Sub-Section 4 of Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, because it was likely that, in view of the nature of the business to be considered, exempt information would be disclosed, being information defined in Section 100 (1) and paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972; and
- 2) Whether the disclosure of information was in the public interest, whether any relevant exemptions were applicable and whether, when applying the public

interest test and exemptions, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed that in disclosing the information.

RESOLVED: That as, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed the public interest in disclosing the information, members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item of business, in accordance with Sub-Section 4 of Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 because it was likely that, in view of the nature of the business, exempt information would be disclosed, being information defined in Section 100 (1) and paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

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**EXB34 PROPOSED LEISURE CENTRE, MOOR LANE, WIDNES -
UPDATE REPORT**

The Board considered a report from the Strategic Director – Enterprise, Economy and Resources which provided an update on work undertaken on the Pre-Construction Delivery Plan, for the new leisure centre on the Moor Lane site.

RESOLVED: That

- 1) the report is noted;
- 2) the Council pause the project until it had clarity on vacant possession of Moor Lane site;
- 3) once vacant possession was guaranteed, proceed to construction of the new leisure centre; and
- 4) the solar farm option be considered.

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