

SCR - TRANSPORT BOARD

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON:

FRIDAY, 12 JUNE 2020 AT 2.00 PM

VIRTUAL MEETING



Present:

Mayor Dan Jarvis MBE (Chair)	SCR Mayoral Combined Authority
Councillor Chris Read (Vice-Chair)	Rotherham MBC
Councillor Dave Leech	Barnsley MBC
Councillor Joe Blackham	Doncaster MBC
Councillor Chris Furness	Non-Constituent Authorities
Stephen Edwards	SYPTE
Peter Kennan	Private Sector LEP Board Member
Alison Kinna	Private Sector LEP Board Member
Mark Lynam	SCR Executive Team
Matthew Gladstone (Reserve)	Barnsley MBC

In Attendance:

Steve Davenport	Principal Solicitor & Monitoring SCR/SYPTE Officer
Charli Taylor	Projects and Contracts Team SCR Executive Leader

Gillian Richards (Minute Taker)

Apologies:

Councillor Abdul Khayum	Sheffield City Council
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1 Welcome and Apologies

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Apologies were noted as above.

2 Declarations of Interest by individual Members in relation to any item of business on the agenda

None.

Active Travel Emergency COVID-19 Response

A report was considered which outlined the SCR proposal for active travel interventions submitted to the Department for Transport (DfT) for £1.437m Emergency Active Travel Funding. In line with the agreed Assurance Framework the paper sought approval of four schemes with a total value of £1.401m and also sought delegated authority to the Head of Paid Service in consultation with the S73 and Monitoring Officer to enter into legal agreements for the schemes.

The Board was informed that the government released new statutory guidance on the 9th May, along with an announcement of £250m of emergency funding this year for Active Travel. The statutory guidance was further clarified in a letter from the DfT advising that the changes to the SCR plan should be based on their Local Cycling and Investment Plan (LCWIP) and include:

- Re-allocating road space to active travel, including the use of cones etc.
- Routing car travel away from congested places.
- Engaging with employers with information and measures to support active travel.
- Reducing speed limits.
- Creating pop-up features such as park and ride and temporary cycle parking etc.

On the 27th May a letter was sent to the SCR detailing that the funding would be split into two phases and set out the details of the process for applying for the first £45m (SCR indicative allocation £1.437m). The first phase was targeted at closing roads to through traffic, installing segregated cycle lanes and widening pavements. Further written clarification from the DfT was received that work being implemented in response to the letter on 9th May would qualify for this funding provided that it met the criteria.

RESOLVED – That the Board approve:

- i) The allocation of funding to the four Local Authorities and SCR and the proposals submitted to the DfT to the value of £1.437m in relation to the government's Emergency Active Travel funding.
- ii) Progression of Active Travel Emergency Fund Programme (BMBC) (as detailed within the report) to full approval and award of £241,000 grant to Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council.
- iii) Progression of Active Travel Emergency Fund Programme (RMBC) (as detailed within the report) to full approval and award of £265,000 grant to Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council.
- iv) Progression of Active Travel Emergency Fund Programme (DMBC) (as detailed within the report) to full approval and award of £311,000 grant to Doncaster Metropolitan Borough Council.
- v) Progression of Active Travel Emergency Fund Programme (SCC) (as detailed within the report) to full approval and award of £584,000 grant

to Sheffield City Council.

vi) Delegated authority to be given to the Head of Paid Service on consultation with S73 Officer and the Monitoring Officer to enter into legal agreement for the schemes covered in ii to v above.

4 **Active Travel Emergency Fund Programme Approvals**

The Board considered a report which, in line with the agreed Assurance Framework, sought approval of four schemes with a total value of £1.401m and also sought delegated authority to the Head of Paid Service in consultation with S73 Officer and Monitoring Officer to enter into legal agreements for the schemes.

The Board was informed that on 1st June the MCA agreed to accept the Emergency Active Travel Grant Funding from the government and confirmed that proposals for investment should be determined by the Transport Board based on the Local Cycle and Walking Investment Plan. The schemes would include:

- Re-allocating road space to active travel, including the use of cones etc.
- Routing car travel away from congested places.
- Engaging with employers with information and measures to support active travel.
- Reducing speed limits.
- Creating pop-up features such as park and ride and temporary cycle parking.

Approval was sought for four schemes, which were detailed within the report, with a total value of £1.401m.

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5 **Any Other Business**

None.

In accordance with Combined Authority's Constitution/Terms of Reference for the Board, Board decisions need to be ratified by the Head of Paid Services (or their nominee) in consultation with the Chair of the Board. Accordingly, the undersigned has consulted with the Chair and hereby ratifies the decisions set out in the above minutes.

Signed

Name

Position

Date