



Report to:	Environment and Neighbourhood Committee	Date:	4 February 2016
Report title:	Local Implementation Plan Funding 2016/2017		
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Ward/Areas affected:	Borough Wide		
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Signed:			Date: 26 January 2016

1. Summary

This report outlines Transport for London's (TfL's) allocation to the Council of Local Implementation Plan (LIP) funding for 2016/17. The details of the specific 2016/17 LIP funding allocation are covered in the letter from TfL in Appendix A and these are further expanded in Section 6 of this report.

2. Recommendations

The Environment and Neighbourhood Committee is recommended to:

- 2.1 Agree that the schemes and measures detailed in this report, having received LIP funding, become part of the Highways, and Transport Service delivery programme for 2016/17.
- 2.2 Release financial provision of £1,734k for the capital schemes identified in the settlement for 2016/17 (£207,000 for various revenue initiatives has been approved for 2016/17 and will be included in the revenue estimates).



- 2.3 Agree to allocate the £100k Local Transport Funding element of the settlement to Local Committees on a per capita basis.

3. Background

- 3.1 The LIP is Sutton's Transport Plan for the borough and was updated in 2013 to cover detailed transport proposals for the three financial years 2014/15 to 2016/17. It also sets out a longer term transport plan up to 2031. The LIP is Sutton's contribution to the Mayor's overall Transport Plan for London.

4. Funding Submission Consultation and Assessment Process

- 4.1 All Ward Councillors were invited to put forward schemes for inclusion in the 2016/17 spending submission. The list of proposals was produced, by 'rolling forward' the current LIP programme taking account of ongoing work and completed schemes. New proposals were selected following site visits and a degree of initial investigation to ensure the proposals were practicable, that they meet Mayor's Transport Strategy (MTS) goals and the Borough's transport objectives (Appendix B), design standards, represent value for money, and would be likely to be acceptable to the public. Ward Councillors were contacted for comments on new proposals and the list of proposals was reported to the Local Committees.

5. 2016/17 LIP Submission

- 5.1 The Environment and Neighbourhood Committee approved the LIP submission on 17 September 2015.
- 5.2 The Council submitted its LIP funding submission for 2016/17 to TfL in October 2015.

6. 2016/17 LIP Allocations

- 6.1 TfL announced the LIP funding allocations for London Boroughs on 22 December 2015. There are three main LIP programmes as listed in the following paragraphs.
- 6.2 **Programme 1 - Maintenance.** TfL funds principal road renewal, bridge strengthening, highway structures and assessment. There is no preset allocation for maintenance and schemes in this category are assessed by TfL on merit. TfL commission a survey of the Principal Road network on a yearly basis to determine the roads that need resurfacing and this allocation is not for local discretion. An allocation of £196k has been made for Principal Road maintenance.
- 6.3 **Programme 2 - Corridors, Neighbourhoods and Supporting Measures.** These are holistic schemes for key 'Corridors and Neighbourhoods' which address issues relating to the smoothing of traffic flow, bus reliability, safety, cycling (including cycle parking and



cycle training), public realm and removal of clutter, local area improvements, including controlled parking zones, 20 mph zones, Legible London signage scheme, walking, reduction of street clutter, electric charging points, travel plans, travel awareness initiatives, freight and delivery issues. As previously indicated in guidance from TfL issued earlier in the year, TfL has allocated £1,327k for 'Corridors, Neighbourhoods and Supporting Measures', using a needs-based formula. The boroughs funding submission under this programme area will be funded in full. Specific areas within the allocation are highlighted below.

- 6.4 **Borough cycle route network** – The Council has been awarded £310k for the expansion of the cycle route network.
- 6.5 **Local Road Safety Schemes** - The Council has a legal duty to take preventive measures to reduce road casualties (The Road Traffic Act 1988). Funding of £40k has been allocated for accident remedial measures.
- 6.6 **Public Transport Improvements** - The Council has been awarded funding of £12k to investigate journey time delays and to progress accessibility programme to comply with the Equality Act.
- 6.7 **Cycle Training** - An allocation of £95,000 has been made to fund the cycle training programme next year to continue to commission this service.
- 6.8 **Travel Planning (including safe routes to school highway works)** – £117k has been allocated for a number of initiatives to promote sustainable travel within the Borough and work towards our targets in the One Planet Living Action Plan. There is also £50k for safe routes to school improvement works to support school travel plans.
- 6.9 **Programme 3- Major Schemes.** These are generally large schemes of value greater than £1m and include shared space projects and public realm improvements. A major scheme bid was made for Beddington Gateways, and as this bid was successful TfL has allocated £318k for the feasibility design, outline design, engagement and business case to develop the proposals in accordance with TfL procedures and local engagement.
- 6.10 **Local Choice (Local Transport Fund).** TfL also allocates £100k per borough for use on Local Transport Projects of their choice and there is no need to identify schemes as part of the submission for this funding. This has been allocated to Local Committees on a per capita basis since it was introduced. Improvements to forward planning would ensure greater value for money from this allocation and local committees are encouraged to develop three or four year plans for their areas whilst retaining some flexibility for responding to occasional more pressing needs.



6.11 **Performance.** TfL monitor the delivery of outcomes and progress against a set of strategic indicator targets. The following are mandatory indicators: mode share, bus service reliability, asset condition, road traffic casualties and carbon dioxide emissions. These indicators support the Mayor's overall transport goals. (See Appendix B)

7. Reserve List.

7.1 The Reserve List will be used to identify alternative schemes should one not progress following consultation or for any other reason. It will also be used as a source of schemes should additional funds become available.

8. Impacts and Implications:

8.1 **Financial** - Transport for London provides, through the Local Implementation Plan submission, financial support for borough schemes intended to improve the quality, safety and accessibility of the local travelling environment. On 22 December 2015, the Mayor of London announced over £148 m. for transport improvements across London's Boroughs of which £74.25m was for the Corridors, Neighbourhoods and Supporting Measures programme, £21m was for Principal Road Maintenance, and £28m was for Major Schemes.

Based on an annual LIP Reporting and Funding Submission by Sutton, the Mayor announced that for 2016/17 Sutton will receive £1,941k funding from TfL to tackle a range of issues from reducing road casualties to supporting town centre regeneration and sustainable transport.

The Capital Programme will be amended to include £1,734k (£196k Maintenance, £1,327k Corridors, Neighbourhoods and Supporting Measures, £100k Local Transport Funding and £318k Major Schemes for Beddington Gateway) of funding allocated by TfL through the 2016/2017 Capital Programme Review. Financial provision for the 2016/17 TFL Capital allocation needs to be released so that schemes can proceed.

8.2 A sum of £207k of the 2016/17 TFL allocation will be included in the revenue estimates for 16/17 to cover a range of specific initiatives.

8.3 **Legal** - Under section 159 of the Greater London Authority Act 1999, TfL may give financial assistance to anybody or person in respect of expenditure incurred or to be incurred by that body or person in doing anything which in the opinion of Transport for London is conducive to the provision of safe, integrated, efficient and economic transport facilities or services to, from or within Greater London. The financial assistance that may be given to any London authority under this section includes in particular assistance in respect of any expenditure incurred or to be incurred by the authority in discharging any function of a highway authority or traffic authority.



- 8.4 Any scheme or measures implemented by the Council, as Highway or Traffic Authority would be undertaken in accordance with the relevant legislation governing the procedures including, where appropriate consultation, and the publication of the requisite notices etc.
- 8.5 **Integrated Impact Assessment.** In considering the recommendation members must consider the public sector equality duty under Section 149 of the Equality Act 2010 to have due regard to the need to eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation; to advance equality of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not; and foster good relations between those who share a protected characteristic and those who do not.
- 8.6 The programme of work for 2016/17 will have a positive effect on health and wellbeing. Many schemes will encourage walking and cycling, whilst others will improve road safety. Due regard will be had as required by Section 149 of the 2010 Act. Care will be taken to ensure that all the transport measures take account of the needs of those with protected characteristic, in particular mobility and visually impairment. Measures to improve sustainable transport widen travel choices for those without access to a car and therefore assist in promoting social inclusion.
- 8.7 **Community.** Residents and Councillors have been given the opportunity to contribute to the bid process.
- 8.8 **Influence of the Council's Core Values - One Planet Living** - This report supports Sutton's plan to be a 'One Planet Borough' – living within its fair share of the Earth's resources. The schemes proposed in the Appendix will encourage more sustainable travel. For example new cycle routes will supply the necessary infrastructure, whilst other schemes will influence behaviour to support sustainable travel.
- 8.9 **Risk.** There are sufficient schemes on the Reserve List to replace any schemes that do not progress as part of the consultation process or for any other reason.
9. **Consultation.**
- 9.1 Consultation will be carried out before new proposals are implemented.
10. **Timetable for Implementation.**
- 10.1 Funding is available from 1 April 2016; the funding should be used by 31 March 2017.



11. Appendices and Background Documents.

Appendix Letter	Title
A	TfL Allocation Letter
B	MTS Goals and Outcomes, Borough's transport objectives.

Background Documents
LIP Bid Report – 17 September 2015

Audit Trail		
Version	Final	26 January 2016
Consultation with other officers		
Officer	Comments Sought	Comments checked by
Finance	Yes	Tony Cooke
Legal	Yes	David Fellows