



Report to:	Environment and Neighbourhood Committee	Date:	30 March 2017
Report title:	Local Implementation Plan Funding Settlement 2017/18		
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Ward/Areas affected:	Borough wide		
Chair of Committee/Lead Member:	Councillor Jill Whitehead		
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Signed:		Date:	15 March 2017

1. Summary

- 1.1 This report outlines Transport for London's (TfL's) allocation to the Council of Local Implementation Plan (LIP) funding for 2017/18. A description of TfL's transport related programmes is given and how schemes were selected to be put forward for funding. The details of the specific indicative allocations for individual schemes are listed in Appendix A and described in the report

2. Recommendations

It is recommended that the Environment and Neighbourhoods Committee:

- 2.1 Agree that the schemes and measures detailed in this report receiving LIP funding become part of the Highways and Transport work programme for 2017/18;
- 2.2 Agree to incur capital expenditure of £2.212m for the capital schemes identified in the LIP settlement for 2017/18 so that schemes can proceed. A sum of £0.168m for various revenue initiatives which has been approved for 2017/18 and is included in the revenue estimates.
- 2.3 Agree to allocate the £0.1m Local Transport Funding element of the settlement to Local Committees on a per capita basis;

- 2.4 Authorise the Executive Head of Safer and Stronger Communities to take all necessary steps to implement the schemes, including commencing any necessary statutory consultations.

3. Background

- 3.1 The LIP is Sutton Council'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. TfL have advised that 2017/18 will be treated as an extension to the existing LIP, and funding awarded on an interim basis until the new Mayor's Transport Strategy and new LIP Guidance is in place. The LIP 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.
- 3.2 TfL have advised that the settlement and arrangements for the years beyond 2017/18 will be determined and announced ahead of the start of the 2017/18 financial year. This is to enable TfL to engage more fully with Boroughs on the new Mayor's transport priorities.
- 3.3 This discussion will be guided by the 'Healthy Streets' agenda, outlined in the Mayor's recent 'City for all Londoners' document. This new approach aims to prioritise active travel, making walking, cycling and public transport use the best choices for travel, encouraging the most efficient methods of essential travel for people and goods, and creating more attractive, accessible and people-friendly streets. TfL want to work with boroughs over the coming year to expand on this agenda and use it to build on the strong history of borough delivery on these key areas.
- 3.4 TfL have further advised that in the meantime, it is expected that a consultation draft of the new Mayor's Transport Strategy (MTS) will be issued this Spring. Alongside this, TfL will also publish a consultation on the preparation of new LIPs.

4. Funding Submission Consultation and Assessment Process

- 4.1 All Ward Councillors were invited to put forward schemes for inclusion in the 2015/16 spending submission. The list of proposals was produced by 'rolling forward' the current LIP programme and taking account of ongoing work and completed schemes. New proposals were selected following site visits and 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) and design standards, represent value for money and would be likely to be acceptable to the public.
- 4.2 At the time of preparing the LIP submission report for Local Committees in September 2016, advice had been received from TfL that there was potentially going to be a 30% reduction in allocations. Officers, therefore assumed the Council would receive an allocation in the region of £0.929m, based on the 70% of previous settlement figures. The version of Appendix A submitted at that time included 'reserve' schemes that exceed the £0.929m value, and officers advised that if the level of funding varied from that anticipated, the additional projects would be considered. It can now be seen from Appendix A that all the projects that were included in the

LIP submission to TfL have been funded.

- 4.3 TfL have confirmed that a full allocation has been made, and the breakdown of that allocation across the various funding streams is set out below.

5. 2017/18 LIP Submission

- 5.1 The Environment and Neighbourhood Committee approved the LIP submission on 14 September 2016 and the Council submitted it to TfL in October 2016.

6. 2017/18 LIP Allocations

- 6.1 TfL announced the LIP funding allocations for London Boroughs on 16 December 2016. 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 £0.153m 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 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 £1.327m for 'Corridors, Neighbourhoods and Supporting Measures', using a needs-based formula (of which £0.168m relates to revenue schemes). The boroughs funding submission under this programme area will be funded in full, and the schedule of schemes submitted with the original bid are listed in Appendix A.
- 6.4 **Programme 3- Major Schemes.** This allocation is the continuation funding for the Beddington Gateways scheme. In terms of this ongoing funding TfL advised that as a result of the recent business planning round, which resulted in an increased pressure on budgets, all projects within this programme have been subject to increased financial scrutiny. As a result, and as part of the settlement, the borough has initially received £0.8m in 17/18, rather than the £1.621m that was agreed as part of the Step 1 bid. TfL have advised that there is potential for the outstanding allocation (£0.821m) to be provided in year, to allow the scheme progress in line with the delivery programme, which will demonstrate a more accurate picture of the delivery timescales on the ground. However, please note that outstanding £0.821m is currently earmarked for the 18/19 financial year, so the funding has not been 'lost'.
- 6.5 **Local Choice (Local Transport Fund).** TfL also allocates £0.1m 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.

- 6.6 **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. Impacts and Implications

Financial

- 7.1 TfL provides, through the LIP, financial support for borough schemes intended to improve the quality, safety and accessibility of the local travelling environment. On 16 December 2016, the Mayor of London announced the approval of TfL's 5 year Business Plan, that includes a £1bn investment in borough programmes over the life of the plan. For 2017/18, LIP funding will be maintained at £148m with an additional £70m available to support the boroughs to work with TfL on delivering programmes that have been identified as priorities for London.
- 7.2 Based on an annual LIP Reporting and Funding Submission by Sutton, the Mayor announced that for 2017/18 Sutton will receive £2.380m funding from TfL to tackle a range of issues from reducing road casualties to supporting town centre regeneration and sustainable transport.
- 7.3 The Capital Programme was approved by full Council on 6 March 2017 which included £2.212m (£0.153m Maintenance, £1.159m Corridors, Neighbourhoods and Supporting Measures, £0.1m Local Transport Funding and £0.8m Major Schemes for Beddington Gateway) of funding allocated by TfL for 2017/18. Agreement is sought to incur Capital Expenditure for the 2017/18 TFL Capital allocation of £2.212m so that schemes can proceed.

Legal

- 8.2 Under section 159 of the Greater London Authority Act 1999, TfL may give financial assistance to any body or person in respect of expenditure incurred or to be incurred by that body or person in doing anything which, in the opinion of TfL, 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. Appendices and Background Documents

Appendix letter	Title
A	LIP 2017/18 Delivery Plan
B	Mayor's Transport Strategy outcomes
C	Integrated Impact Assessment

Background documents
TfL LIP Settlement Letter (16/12/16)

Audit Trail		
Version	Final	Date:17 March 2017
Consultation with other officers		
Finance	Yes	Tony Cooke
Legal	Yes	David Fellows
Integrated Impact Assessment required?	Yes	Attached

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