

DELEGATED DECISIONS BY CABINET MEMBER FOR HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION AND REPAIR

MINUTES of the meeting held on Thursday, 16 July 2026 commencing at 2.00 pm and finishing at 2.08 pm

Present:

Voting Members: Councillor Liz Leffman – in the Chair

Other Members in Attendance: Councillor Thomas Ashby

Officers: Jack Ahier (Senior Democratic Services Officer), Mo Fazlie (Senior Project Manager – A40 Programme), Mohammed Ilyas (Programme Lead – North).

The Cabinet Member considered the matters, reports and recommendations contained or referred to in the agenda for the meeting [, together with a schedule of addenda tabled at the meeting/the following additional documents:] and agreed as set out below. Copies of the agenda and reports [agenda, reports and schedule/additional documents] are attached to the signed Minutes.

5 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

(Agenda No. 1)

There were none.

6 QUESTIONS FROM COUNTY COUNCILLORS

(Agenda No. 2)

There were none.

7 PETITIONS AND PUBLIC ADDRESS

(Agenda No. 3)

There were none.

8 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

(Agenda No. 4)

The minutes of the meeting held on 1 June 2026 were approved as a correct record.

9 CAPITAL RESERVES FOR DRAINAGE INFRASTRUCTURE

(Agenda No. 5)

The Chair introduced the item to the meeting.

The Chair reiterated the commitment made by the Council in the Budget for gully repairs and noted that all gullies had been cleansed in the previous year. It would significantly improve drainage, particularly in the winter months given the periods of flooding over the last 12 months.

The Chair thanked officers for their work and agreed to the recommendations in the report.

RESOLVED to:

- a) Approve the release of £1.7 million to the capital drainage Cat 467 budget in 26/27, and £2.3 million in 27/28 to enable the alignment of resources within the Annual Plan and Contractors Plan for those years against the allocated budget**

**10 A40 HIF2 DUKES CUT WOLVERCOTE BRIDGE MAINTENANCE WORKS -
DECISION TO PROGRESS TO CONSTRUCTION**
(Agenda No. 6)

The Chair introduced the item to the meeting.

The Chair noted the Council had been looking at ways to improve the A40 corridor for a long time, through bus lanes and active travel infrastructure. The Chair further noted that this issue was time-sensitive given the bridge strengthening works proposed were on a Network Rail bridge which needed to be handed back to them.

The Chair thanked officers and agreed to the recommendations in the report.

RESOLVED to:

- a) Approve the award of contract (NEC4 Engineering and Construction Contract, Pricing Option C with secondary Option X22), to M-Group Highways Limited (reg#13007933) for an estimated total value of £4,855,610 (ex VAT), for the HIF2 – Wolvercote Bridge Strengthening and Maintenance Works Scheme under the Pagabo Civil and Infrastructure Framework (Lot 1).**

**11 GREEN ROAD AND BISECTING BYWAY, LETCOMBE REGIS SEASONAL
AND WIDTH RESTRICTION TRO**
(Agenda No. 7)

The Chair introduced the item to the meeting.

The Chair noted that since publication of the reports, the Council had received further detailed representations and additional material. Officers have advised that it is appropriate to allow sufficient time to fully review and consider this information to ensure that all relevant matters are properly assessed before a decision is taken.

The Chair reflected on the significance of these proposals and noted that it was important that the decision-making process remains thorough, transparent, and robust. Deferring consideration would ensure that all relevant evidence and representations can be fully considered with the most complete information possible when the matter returns for determination.

The Chair thanked officers and deferred the recommendations as set out in the report to the next appropriate meeting.

RESOLVED to:

- a) Defer consideration of this report and its recommendations until the next appropriate meeting.**

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