

DELEGATED DECISIONS BY CABINET MEMBER FOR INFRASTRUCTURE & DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY

MINUTES of the meeting held on Thursday, 12 December 2024 commencing at 2.00 pm and finishing at 2.15 pm

Present:

Voting Members: Councillor Judy Roberts – in the Chair

Officers: Jack Ahier (Democratic Services Officer), Dan Hammond (Senior Project Manager).

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.

45 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

(Agenda No. 1)

There were none.

46 QUESTIONS FROM COUNTY COUNCILLORS

(Agenda No. 2)

There were none.

47 PETITIONS AND PUBLIC ADDRESS

(Agenda No. 3)

There were none.

48 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

(Agenda No. 4)

The minutes of the meeting held on 10 October 2024 were approved and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

49 A34 HARWELL LAYBY WORKS

(Agenda No. 5)

The Chair introduced the item to the meeting and invited officers to provide a summary of the report.

Officers confirmed that the project linked to the wider A34 Lodge Hill Interchange scheme. The recommendation was to delegate the award of a contract to Balfour Beatty Group Limited in respect of the construction and delivery of the A34 Harwell Layby, which would deliver some time and cost efficiencies.

Officers confirmed that the scheme was to ensure appropriate layby provision within the vicinity of the works.

Following a question from the Chair, officers noted that the scheme had specific timelines from the Draft Funding Agreement with Homes England, and this was necessary to ensure the deadlines were met.

The Chair was assured by officers that this would fit in with the deadlines for the wider A34 Lodge Hill Interchange scheme.

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

RESOLVED to:

- a) Delegate authority to the Director of Environment & Highways in consultation with the Director of Finance and the Head of Legal Services & Deputy Monitoring Officer to approve the award of a works contract to Balfour Beatty Group Limited in respect of the construction / delivery of the A34 Harwell Layby (part of the wider A34 Lodge Hill Interchange scheme).**

..... in the Chair

Date of signing