

Executive 12 April 2011

Report of the Director of Communities and Neighbourhoods

# Funding of Additional £657k Revenue Highway Maintenance Scheme Programme 2011/12

# Summary

1. This report requests the Executive to approve the revenue funding of £657k from Council contingencies for the undertaking of additional highway maintenance schemes as detailed in Annex 1.

# **Background**

- 2. At the full Council meeting on 24 February 2011 members approved the budget for 2011/12 and includes an additional £657k of revenue to be allocated to maintain the highway at it's condition prior to the extreme winter weather of late 2010. The meeting approved the funding to be taken from the Council's reserves and allocated to the contingency budget.
- 3. The Executive Member Decision Session for Neighbourhoods and Housing on 15 March 2011 approved the Annual Highway Maintenance Report. The approval includes a programme of additional revenue maintenance schemes for 2011/12 of which £657k is proposed to be revenue funded from Council contingencies.

#### Consultation

4. Due to the nature of this report no consultation has been undertaken.

# **Corporate Priorities**

5. Through the proposed measures Communities and Neighbourhoods support delivery of the Thriving City, Sustainable City, Safer City, Inclusive City and Effective Organisation themes from the corporate strategy.

# **Implications**

#### **Financial Implications**

6. Funding of additional revenue schemes to be taken from contingency budget.

#### Human Resources (HR) and other implications

7. There are no HR implications identified in this report.

#### **Equalities**

8. This report has taken into consideration the impact of the Council's Equality Strategy when recommending the proposed highway maintenance schemes.

#### Legal

9. The Council has a statutory duty to carry out highway maintenance under Section 41 of the Highways Act 1980

#### Crime and Disorder

10. There are no crime and disorder issues.

#### Information Technology (IT)

11. There are no IT implications in this report.

## **Property**

12. There are no property implications.

#### Other

13. There are no other implications in this report.

### Risk Management

- 14. In compliance with the Council's risk management strategy, the main risks that have been identified in this report are:
  - Strategic Risks, arising from judgements in relation to medium term goals for the service
  - Physical Risks, arising from potential underinvestment in assets
  - Financial Risks, from pressures on budgets
  - People Risks, affecting staff if budgets decline
- 15. Measured in terms of impact and likelihood the risk score for all of the above has been assessed at less than 16. This means that at this point the risks need only to be monitored, as they do not provide a real threat to the achievement of the objectives of this report.

## Recommendations

16. The Executive is recommended to approve the release of £657k of funding from the contingency budget for additional highway maintenance schemes detailed in Annex 1.

**Reason:** To comply with full Council approval to allocated £657k from reserves into the contingency budget for additional highway maintenance schemes.

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Report Approved **✓** 

**Date: 29 March 2011** 

Wards Affected: All

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**Background Papers:** 

#### Annexes:

Annex 1 - CYC Additional £657k Revenue Scheme Programme 2011/12