Council – 14th January 2014

Recommendation from Cabinet 10th December 2013

Minutes of the meeting of Cabinet held at 2.00 pm. on 10th December 2013

Present:

Cabinet Members: Councillor Mrs Lucas (Chair)

Councillor D Chater Councillor G Duggins Councillor D Gannon Councillor A Gingell Councillor A Khan Councillor E Ruane

Deputy Cabinet Members: Councillor Caan

Non-voting Opposition Members: Councillor Andrews

Councillor Blundell

Other Members: Councillors Clifford

Councillor McNicholas Councillor Skipper Councillor Thomas

Employees (by Directorate):

Chief Executive's: M Reeves (Chief Executive), F Collingham, J Moore,

J Venn

People: Brian Walsh (Executive Director)

Place: N Clews, D Cockroft, C Knight, R Moon

Resources: C West (Executive Director), C Forde, P. Jennings,

M Salmon

Apologies: Councillors F Abbott, C Fletcher, J Innes, L Kelly,

D Kershaw, R Lancaster, P Townshend

Public business

RECOMMENDATION

90. University of Warwick and Westwood Business Park Congestion Relief Scheme

The Cabinet considered a report of the Executive Director, Place, that outlined proposals to deliver a scheme to reduce congestion, improve bus service reliability and provide improved facilities for pedestrians and cyclists around the University of Warwick, Westwood Business Park and the A45.

The total package would cost £5.222m and was all externally funded: £1.725m of government grant funding from the national 'Local Pinch Point Fund', subject to a successful outcome of the bidding process; and £3.497m from the University of Warwick through planning obligations. This was a partnership scheme between Coventry City Council, the University of Warwick and the Department for Transport. To satisfy the grant conditions, work would start in January 2014 to enable completion by the middle of 2015.

RESOLVED that the Cabinet recommend that Council:

- 1) Approves the delivery of the University of Warwick and Westwood Business Park Congestion Relief Scheme totalling £5.222m as detailed in Sections 1 and 2 of the report.
- 2) Approves Coventry City Council capital expenditure of £1.725m funded by external grant from the Department for Transport.
- 3) Delegates authority to sign legally binding funding agreements with the Department for Transport and the University of Warwick, including section 151 officer sign-off, by the Executive Director, Resources, in consultation with the Cabinet Member (Public Services), for the grant funding.

(Meeting finished at 2.50 p.m.)