

DECISION-MAKER:	CABINET		
SUBJECT:	HIGHWAYS ASSET MANAGEMENT PLAN		
DATE OF DECISION:	20 OCTOBER 2015		
REPORT OF:	CABINET MEMBER FOR ENVIRONMENT AND TRANSPORT		
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STATEMENT OF CONFIDENTIALITY	
None	
BRIEF SUMMARY	
This report sets out the proposed Policy and Strategy documents (Appendix 1 and 2) forming part of the revised Highways Asset Management Plan (HAMP) and seeks approval to these documents.	
RECOMMENDATIONS:	
	(i) to approve the Policy and Strategy documents (Appendix 1 and 2) forming part of the revised Highways Asset Management Plan; and
	(ii) to delegate authority to the Highways Manager following consultation with the relevant Cabinet Member to approve the individual asset group plans that will form the operational delivery elements of the revised Highway Asset Management Plan.
REASONS FOR REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS	
1.	To ensure that the Council adopts a methodology for maintaining highways assets that will ensure that they provide the longest and most cost effective service.
ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED	
2.	The existing Highways Asset Management Plan (HAMP) was approved in 2008 and predates the Highways Service Partnership (HSP). Government advice and industry practice has changed over the years and our existing document does not reflect current approach to whole life asset management. The existing document could be kept as our guidance, but to do so would seriously constrain our aspirations to increase our performance in this area and attract additional government grant.
DETAIL (Including consultation carried out)	
3.	The Highways Asset Management Plan (HAMP) is a document that sets out how the Council intends to manage its assets and ensure that they provide the longest and most cost effective service to the City.
4.	It is no longer acceptable to have a HAMP as a stand-alone document, but it

	needs to be linked to Council priorities.
5.	The proposed HAMP will provide a thread from Council priorities into the policy document. The strategy document sets out how the policy is to be delivered.
6.	The individual asset groups will each have their own delivery section. These will be developed in conjunction with the Council's key strategic partners; Capita, BBLP and SSE as appropriate. These will be living documents that will evolve throughout the life of the HAMP.
7.	The Government, through the Highways Maintenance Efficiency Programme (HMEP), has decided that 10% of the future annual maintenance allocation of the Local Transport Plan (LTP) will be issued through an Incentive Fund.
8.	In order to achieve the highest allocation through the fund, it will be necessary to have in place a comprehensive HAMP and be able to demonstrate that this document is at the heart of spending decisions and influences how we approach management of the assets.
RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS	
<u>Capital/Revenue</u>	
9.	The combined value of the Council's Highways assets, including bridges, is £4.1bn at today's prices.
10.	The adoption of a HAMP policy and strategy related to Council priorities will ensure that all funding decisions, revenue and capital are made to ensure that assets are maintained in the most cost effective and whole life manner.
11.	The adoption of the HAMP Policy and Strategy will assist the Council secure a bigger allocation through the DfT Incentive Fund self – assessment process.
<u>Property/Other</u>	
12.	None.
LEGAL IMPLICATIONS	
<u>Statutory power to undertake proposals in the report:</u>	
13.	The Council is the Local highway Authority and has a duty to maintain all highways (except trunk roads and motorways) within the City.
<u>Other Legal Implications:</u>	
14.	The Council is responsible for ensuring that highways are safe and passable.
POLICY FRAMEWORK IMPLICATIONS	
15.	The HAMP will link the Council priorities and wider transportation priorities within the Local Transport Plan (LTP4), currently being written.
16.	The HAMP will be at the centre of all funding decisions around highways and will ensure that a comprehensive and transparent approach to the management of these assets is sustained.

KEY DECISION?	Yes	
WARDS/COMMUNITIES AFFECTED:	All	
<u>SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION</u>		
Appendices		
1.	HAMP Policy	
2.	HAMP Strategy	
3.	Equality and Safety Impact Assessment	
Documents In Members' Rooms		
1.	None	
Equality Impact Assessment		
Do the implications/subject of the report require an Equality and Safety Impact Assessment (ESIA) to be carried out.		Yes
Privacy Impact Assessment		
Do the implications/subject of the report require a Privacy Impact Assessment (PIA) to be carried out.		No
Other Background Documents		
Other Background documents available for inspection at:		
Title of Background Paper(s)	Relevant Paragraph of the Access to Information Procedure Rules / Schedule 12A allowing document to be Exempt/Confidential (if applicable)	
1.	None	