

Agenda Item No. 4(c)

**DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**

**MEETING OF CABINET MEMBER - HIGHWAYS, TRANSPORT AND  
INFRASTRUCTURE**

**18 December 2015**

Report of the Strategic Director – Economy, Transport and Environment

**DERBY AND DERBYSHIRE ROAD SAFETY PARTNERSHIP PARTNER  
INITIATIVES**

(1) **Purpose of Report** To seek the Cabinet Member's approval to fund road safety initiatives proposed by Partners in the Derby and Derbyshire Road Safety Partnership (DDRSP), that have been agreed by the DDRSP Managing Group.

(2) **Information and Analysis** Tackling road traffic casualties is a clear priority for the DDRSP as outlined in the DDRSP Strategy 2015-17 and approved by Cabinet at its meeting on 24 March 2015 (Minute No. 133/15 refers). The Strategy commits the Partnership to an evidence based approach to casualty reduction, with funding for individual interventions being initially agreed by the DDRSP Managing Group.

The following schemes have been agreed by the DDRSP Managing Group, chaired by the Strategic Director – Economy, Transport and Environment:

**a) Derby City Council - A5111 Speed Limit Improvements**

The A5111 is a principal route through Derby which carries significant volumes of traffic and has a high rate of killed and seriously injured (KSI) collisions involving speed. In the past 36 months, there were 20 collisions involving serious injuries and 160 involving slight injuries between Raynesway and Warwick Avenue. The road has known speeding issues and remains a priority route for the (Casualty Reduction Enforcement Support Team) CREST enforcement action. Currently, enforcement cannot take place as signage needs upgrading and new Traffic Regulation Orders are required. A sum of £21,000, from Derby City Council's brought forward partner contributions, is requested to correct the defects.

Derby City has already spent £3,500 of its funds in designing this work. It is also spending a further £51,000 in 2015-16 on other similar engineering activity which is aimed at casualty reduction on Derby's roads.

**b) Derbyshire County Council - Speed Limit Remedial Work**

Illegal and inappropriate speed remains one of the single biggest contributory factors in road traffic collisions. Whilst the vast majority of road users obey speed limits and drive at an appropriate speed, there remain roads where enforcement or the threat of enforcement are an essential element in reducing road traffic casualties. Derbyshire Constabulary has identified 100 high priority routes where it will focus its enforcement activities. An essential element to enable that is that all the signing and associated Traffic Regulation Orders are correct.

Over time, for various reasons, e.g. weather damage, new infrastructure developments, signs can become non-compliant and Traffic Regulations Orders require updating.

To assess the current position, the Authority is currently surveying the routes.

It is anticipated that the results of the survey will indicate that some work, such as replacement signage and road marking, will be required. This will support the implementation of the Speed Management Protocol identified in the DDRSP Strategy 2015-17. It is estimated that this work will cost £30,000 and can be funded from the PSA2 Reward Reserve. Should this amount prove insufficient a further bid will be submitted via the Partnership Managing Group for consideration.

**c) CREST - Mobile Camera Upgrade**

Currently, CREST operates four mobile speed cameras on identified routes where there is a known speed related casualty problem. They are an essential element in the Authority's successful work to reduce casualties on Derbyshire's roads. The mobility of the systems allows a flexible and adaptable response to changes in casualty patterns.

The main element in each camera is the laser, which remains functional and fit for purpose. However, the other parts of each camera system are old technology, which is increasingly unreliable, and is no longer supported by the manufacturer. To maintain this essential road safety tool, it is necessary to upgrade the systems to current standards.

There will be no increase in the number of cameras operating in the County and City.

A quote from the equipment supplier has been obtained and the upgrade will cost £70,000.

It is proposed that a grant be made to Derbyshire Police and Crime Commissioner to procure the upgrade which will be funded from DDRSP reserves.

(3) **Financial Considerations** Derbyshire County Council is the responsible accounting body for DDRSP.

The cost and proposed funding arrangement of the partner initiatives are summarised as follows:

<b>Initiative</b>	<b>Funding Source</b>	<b>Value £</b>
Refund to Derby City Council to enable speed limit improvements on the A5111 in Derby	Partner Contributions brought forwards	21,000
Speed limit remedial work in Derbyshire	PSA2 Reward Reserve	30,000
Grant to Derbyshire Police and Crime Commissioner to enable the upgrade of mobile speed cameras	DDRSP Reserves	70,000
<b>Total</b>		<b>121,000</b>

### **Other Considerations**

In preparing this report the relevance of the following factors has been considered: legal, prevention of crime and disorder, equality and diversity, human resources, environmental, health, property and transport considerations.

(4) **Key Decision** No.

(5) **Call-In** Is it required that call-in be waived in respect of the decisions proposed in the report? No.

(6) **Background Papers** Held on file within the Economy, Transport and Environment Department. Officer contact details Claire Molyneux, extension 38573.

- (7) **OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATIONS** That the Cabinet Member:
- 7.1 Notes the refund of partner contributions of £21,000 to Derby City Council to enable it to implement Traffic Regulation Orders and signage improvements, as required on the A5111 through Derby.
  - 7.2 Approves the addition of Speed Limit Remedial Work in Derbyshire, with a value of £30,000, to the Capital Programme 2015-16.
  - 7.3 Approves the addition of Mobile Speed Cameras Upgrade, with a value of £70,000, to the Capital Programme 2015-16.
  - 7.4 Approves the grant of £70,000 to Derbyshire Police and Crime Commissioner for the upgrade of mobile speed cameras.

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