

Agenda Item No. 4(b)

DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

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

26 October 2017

Report of the Strategic Director – Economy, Transport and Communities

**ADDITION TO THE CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2017-18 – TRAFFIC
COUNTING EQUIPMENT FOR THE PEAK RESORT DEVELOPMENT**

(1) **Purpose of Report** To inform the Cabinet Member of proposed developer funding to install Traffic Counting Equipment for The Peak Resort Development project and to seek approval to include this in the Council's 2017-18 Capital Programme.

(2) **Information and Analysis** As part of the planning permission for a major development project known as Peak Resort in Chesterfield, the developer, Birchall Properties Limited, is obliged to undertake traffic monitoring to a specification and at locations to be agreed with the Highway Authority and to fund this work.

To meet this obligation, the developer has sought the input of the Council's Highways Development Control officers and Traffic Data and Analysis Team (TDAT) to agree the traffic monitoring locations and to seek advice regarding the long term monitoring requirements.

The developer, following consultation with TDAT, asked whether the Council would be willing to provide all of the traffic monitoring requirements as stated in the planning obligation. In summary, the following programme of developer funded monitoring has been proposed:

- Traffic impacts on Whittington Moor be established by utilising permanent Automatic Traffic Monitoring Sites installed on the southern approaches to the development.
- Permanent Automatic Traffic Counts be installed, maintained and operated by the Council for a period of five years.
- That the timing of installations would follow Peak Resort roundabout construction works to allow traffic movements to normalise. This could mean that the proposed installations could be delayed until the 2018-19 Capital Programme year.

(3) **Financial Considerations** The cost of the works, estimated at £27,240, will be met in full from external developer funding. TDAT has contractual arrangements in place for the relevant goods and services.

(4) **Social Value Considerations** In order for the effects of the development on traffic to be understood, the establishment of a reliable, long term package of monitoring is required. This will provide information to help ensure that the developer's planning obligations are adhered to and any mitigation planned accordingly.

Other Considerations

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

(5) **Key Decision** No.

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

(7) **Background Papers** Held on file within the Economy, Transport and Communities Department. Officer contact details - Neill Bennett, extension 38659.

(8) **OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATIONS** That the Cabinet Member:

- 8.1 Approves the addition of traffic monitoring for the Peak Resort Development to the 2017-18 Capital Programme which will be funded in full by the developer Birchall Properties Limited.
- 8.2 Notes that the installations may be carried out in the 2018-19 Capital Programme year depending on the progress of roundabout construction works.

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