

**DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**

**CABINET MEETING**

**5 March 2013**

Report of the Strategic Director – Environmental Services

**CYCLE ACCESS TO CHESTERFIELD STATION (HIGHWAYS  
AND TRANSPORT)**

(1) **Purpose of the Report** To recommend to Cabinet the allocation of contingency funding previously held against Ilkeston Rail Station to form the local contribution to a project to provide improved cycle access to Chesterfield Station.

(2) **Information and Analysis** At its meeting of 26 September 2012, Cabinet considered a report dealing with an offer of grant funding for a project to provide improved cycle access to Chesterfield Station. Funding of £525,100 was available from the Local Sustainable Transport Fund as part of a national project to improve access to rail stations. Cabinet agreed in principle to the receipt of this grant and that a local contribution of up to £500,000 could be met from Integrated Transport capital allocations (Minute Number 281/12). It was anticipated at that time that the source of this contribution would be the highways and transport capital programme for 2013-14, to be brought forward through the Environmental Services Department Service Plan 2013-14 Refresh. The Integrated Transport grant available for 2013-14 totals £4.824 million, and although a single project of £500,000 could certainly be recommended as part of this it would represent a substantial proportion of the total available and restrict the number of smaller schemes which could be brought forward. There is, however, now an alternative source available which would overcome this problem.

A separate report to this meeting deals with the New Stations Fund and the likelihood that this will provide a substantial proportion of the funding required for Ilkeston Rail Station. Prior to this emerging, some balances from previous highways and transport capital programmes has been held in reserve (created where individual approved schemes have not taken up their full budget allocation). The County Council's contribution has now been confirmed at £512,000 and it is recommended that this be met from the 2009-10 financial year and allocated to the Local Sustainable Transport Fund Access to Stations project. This will allow other projects to be advanced through the

Environmental Services Department Service Plan 2013-14 Refresh, making use of Integrated Transport grant funding.

(3) **Financial Considerations** A County Council contribution to the costs of the Local Sustainable Transport Fund (Access to Stations) project can be secured from funds remaining in the Integrated Transport Capital allocation from 2009-10.

(4) **Property Considerations** There are no property considerations associated with this report.

In preparing this report the relevance of the following factors has been considered: prevention of crime and disorder, equality and diversity, legal, human resources, environmental, health 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** Report to Cabinet 26 September 2012 Minute No 281/12 refers). Officer contact details – Jim Seymour, extension 38557.

(8) **OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATIONS** That:

8.1 Cabinet approves the use of up to £512,000 of Integrated Transport funds remaining from 2009-10 programmes to provide the local contribution to the Local Sustainable Transport Fund (Access to Stations) project.

8.2 The scheme be included in the 2012/13 Capital Programme.

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