

West Sussex County Council

Proposed Executive Decision for **20 March 2019** call-in deadline **5 p.m. on 29 March 2019**

The following proposed decision has been endorsed by the Cabinet Member and will come into effect at the end of the call-in period unless the call-in procedure is activated.

Decision Title & Ref No:	Burgess Hill Growth Programme - Approval of Place and Connectivity Programme Funding Agreement - LDR09(18.19)
Cabinet Member responsible for Decision	Ms Goldsmith - Leader
West Sussex Plan priority	A Prosperous Place
Electoral Divisions	All Divisions
Key Decision	Yes
Purpose	<p>The Mid Sussex Growth Deal identifies a set of shared priorities for economic growth in Burgess Hill. The Growth Deal includes the Burgess Hill Place and Connectivity Programme - a coordinated investment in public realm improvements and sustainable transport infrastructure that are integral to unlock planned growth at Burgess Hill. In December 2018 Coast to Capital Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP) approved an allocation of £10.92m of Local Growth Funding (LGF) with 50% match funding requirement to support the delivery of the Place and Connectivity Programme. The £10.92m LGF allocation supports a total programme value of £21.84m with match funding commitments met from private sector and S106 contributions.</p> <p>The programme requires a funding agreement to be completed with the LEP to support subsequent development and delivery of schemes and drawdown of the LGF allocation by March 2021. West Sussex County Council (WSSC) will be the Delivery Body for the overall programme and responsible for the relationship with the LEP and a Funding Agreement has been drafted and provisionally agreed with the LEP.</p>
Decision	<p>The Leader has approved:</p> <p>(1) That WSSC agree to act as the Delivery Body for the Burgess Hill and Connectivity Programme and authority be given to the Director of Law and Assurance to complete the associated funding agreement on behalf of the Council.</p> <p>(2) That the Capital Programme be updated to include the £15.002m of schemes and associated external funding for which WSSC are identified as the Contractual Lead for</p>

	<p>scheme design and delivery.</p> <p>(3) That the governance arrangements as set out at Appendix A be approved, noting the flexibilities that apply regarding the reallocation of available external funds within the programme, and subject to no call arising on the Council's core capital funding.</p> <p>(4) That subject to those governance arrangements being applied, including the establishment development of scheme business cases, the Executive Director of Economy, Infrastructure and Environment be granted delegated authority to progress the projects within the programme to completion.</p>
Interest and nature of interest declared	None
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Background Papers	See report for details