

Report to: Cllr Sharon Holder, Cabinet Member for Public Realm

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Subject: Transport for London LIP Programme Spending Submission

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Responsible Director: Bram Kainth, Strategic Director of Environment

SUMMARY

Transport for London (TfL) has awarded the Council £1,415,000 in Local Implementation Plan (LIP) funding for 2023/24, to be applied to projects as set out in this report. This report seeks approval from the Cabinet Member for Public Realm to undertake those projects, in accordance with the funding conditions. All projects identified in the report align with the Mayors Transport Strategy and work towards progressing Hammersmith and Fulham Council's local air quality, public health and transport priorities.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. To approve the proposed programme of works.
 2. To delegate authority to the Strategic Director of Environment to modify the programme, associated projects and funding allocation, within the parameters of the Mayors Transport Strategy, LIP, local policy priorities and TfL LIP funding conditions.
 3. To call off the Council's existing Highways term contract and/or Ealing Framework to design and undertake the proposed works as required (within the funding available).
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Wards Affected: All

Our Values	Summary of how this report aligns to the H&F Values
Building shared prosperity	The grant enables creating safer, cleaner and more enjoyable neighbourhoods for our residents.
Creating a compassionate council	Inclusion, equity, and positive outcomes for all residents, are at the heart of the active travel spend. The proposals all target the 'best possible health,

	wellbeing, and quality of life for all our residents.
Doing things with local residents, not to them	Key to the successful delivery of proposals is the continued engagement and buy in from residents. Comprehensive and genuine engagement will continue to be a focus for the Transport team.
Being ruthlessly financially efficient	The Active Travel spend is funded by TfL and aligns with the H&F's transport policies.
Taking pride in H&F	Delivering proposals and behaviour change events while engaging with residents on local improvements will continue to develop a borough the community can take pride in.
Rising to the challenge of the climate and ecological emergency	Active travel has been identified as a key pillar within the Councils Climate and Ecology Strategy.

Financial Impact

The proposed schemes totalling £1,415,000 (as set out in section 1 below) are fully funded from TfL grant, and can therefore be provided at no cost to the Council. TfL have confirmed this funding in a LIP letter dated 29 March 2023 (£812,000) and by email (£603,000, which has been added to the TfL portal). These budgets will be allocated to revenue or capital as appropriate.

Kellie Gooch, Head of Finance (Environment), 19 July 2023

Verified by Andre Mark, Head of Finance (Strategic Planning and Investment), 2nd August 2023.

Legal Implications

Approval is sought in this report for the receipt of grant funding from TfL and the creation of corresponding income and expenditure budgets. The Director of Finance has authority under the Council's Financial Regulations 2023 to accept grants and approve the creation of income and expenditure budgets that do not increase the Council's approved net budget. The Director of Finance is therefore the correct decision maker in respect of the two recommendations.

To call off from the Council's existing Highways term contract and Ealing Framework to design and undertake the proposed works would be in compliance with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 and the Council's Contract Standing Orders.

Joginder Bola, Senior Solicitor (Contracts & Procurement), 20/7/2023

Background Papers Used in Preparing This Report

None

DETAILED ANALYSIS

Proposals and Analysis of Options

Projects

1. The projects and funding allocated as part of the grant conditions are set out below -

Table 1 – Summary of LIP Funding

TfL Programme	Project	£000
Cycleways Network Development	King Street Upgrade to C9 Temporary	200
Cycleways Network Development	Safety Improvement Scheme – New Kings Road	50
Cycleways Network Development	Safety Improvement Scheme – Wandsworth Bridge Road	50
Cycle Parking	Secure Residential Cycle Parking	66
Cycle Training	Cycle Training	110
Safer Corridors & Neighbourhoods	Borough-Wide Road Danger Reduction	200
Safer Corridors & Neighbourhoods	Healthy Streets and Air Quality	80
Safer Corridors & Neighbourhoods	Smarter Transport Funding – Engagement Work	56
Subtotal Funding per LIP letter		812
Safer Corridors & Neighbourhoods	Clean Air Neighbourhoods - Brackenbury	203
Safer Corridors & Neighbourhoods	Clean Air Neighbourhoods – Barons Court	300
Safer Corridors & Neighbourhoods	Clean Air Neighbourhoods – South Fulham West	100
Subtotal Funding per TFL Portal		603
Total TfL Local Improvement Plan Funding		1,415

King Street Upgrade to C9 Temporary (£200,000)

2. Funding to enhance and improve King Street Safer Cycle Pathway and associated junctions.

Safety Improvement Scheme – New Kings Road (£50,000)

3. This project will enable us to undertake feasibility and design work for a road cycle network and strategic cycle corridor which will tie in with the Wandsworth Bridge Road Safety Improvement scheme.

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Secure Residential Cycle Parking (£66,000)

5. This project involves the installation of secure residential cycle hangars and Sheffield stands (standard cycle parking racks) in identified key locations across the borough which will support our infrastructure.

Cycle Training (£110,000)

6. Provision of cycle training for both adults and children and as part of the school curriculum in a number of secondary schools within the borough, including training for school staff. This cycle training supports our infrastructure, promotes active travel and wellbeing while creating a legacy of cycle trained young people.

Borough-Wide Road Danger Reduction (£200,000)

7. This project will implement measures to calm traffic on predominantly residential streets where existing or lack of measures result in high contravention of the existing 20mph speed limit. In addition to calming traffic, within this project we will also improve or formalise pedestrian facilities which will help reduce pedestrian related collisions.

Healthy Streets and Air Quality (£80,000)

8. This project includes the completion of air quality audits and removing the barriers to walking and cycling to schools that have been identified in school travel plans. Other measures will include improving air quality outside or on the routes to schools.

Smarter Transport Funding – Engagement Work (£56,000)

9. This will enable the Smarter Transport Team to continue engagement within the community through events, themed theatre and outreach programmes in order to encourage behaviour change.

Clean Air Neighbourhoods – Brackenbury, Barons Court and South Fulham West (£603,000)

10. Funding to support the survey monitoring and engagement work required for the delivery of Clean Air Neighbourhoods.

Cross Cutting Themes

11. All the above schemes, where appropriate, will include the following elements: Sustainable Urban Drainage (SUDs), planting of street trees, street art, combatting climate change, moving towards carbon neutrality, and improving compliance with the 20mph speed limit.
12. Work in different LIP project areas in the same location will be co-ordinated (e.g. where there is a high rate of collisions in a healthy neighbourhood area). LIP schemes will be co-ordinated with planned maintenance schemes (e.g. converting speed cushions to sinusoidal humps) to maximise cost effectiveness and minimise disruption.
13. The costs given above are indicative estimates, and some may change as a result of consultation, engagement or changing circumstances. Detailed design scheme costs will be agreed with the Cabinet Member for Public Realm.

Reasons for Decision

14. The allocated grant funding is available for immediate spend and all projects are aligned with the Council's priorities. Where specific projects require additional decision or approvals, these will be sought separately as the scope of schemes are defined.

Equality Implications

15. At this stage of the proposal, there will be no impacts to any listed protected groups as the report is only seeking approval to accept the grant and creation of budgets. Officers are committed to undertaking the required equality impact assessments for each proposal as detailed concepts emerge.

Risk Management Implications

16. The report recommends accepting a grant from TfL to be applied to projects identified which will support the Council's local air quality, public health and transport priorities. This is in line with the objectives of being ruthlessly financially efficient and rising to the climate crisis. Officers will need to ensure that appropriate project governance is put in place and that the funding is used in compliance with the grant conditions.

David Hughes, Director of Audit, Fraud, Risk and Insurance, 5 July 2023

Climate and Ecological Emergency Implications

17. The programme supports the Council's announcement of a Climate Emergency and the Business Plan commitment to become the greenest borough in Britain. The programme establishes a clear emphasis on projects that will be beneficial for local air quality, reduce CO2 emissions, promote active travel and reduce private car use.

Approved by Hinesh Mehta, Assistant Director of Climate Change, 23 June 2023

Consultation

18. Officers are committed to undertaking the required consultations (both exploratory and statutory) for each proposal as detailed concepts emerge.