

## Senior Officer Decision



**Consultative meeting:** Cabinet

**Consultative meeting date:** 5<sup>th</sup> January 2022

### Exempt from publication

No

**Title:** Long Lane Enhancement Scheme

### Links to:

- (i) **Officer report to consultative meeting**  
[Agenda for Cabinet on Wednesday, 5th January, 2022, 6.00 pm - East Devon, item 18.](#)
- (ii) **Recording of consultative meeting**  
<https://www.youtube.com/embed/LsrAAzrtJEg>
- (iii) **Minutes of consultative meeting**  
[Printed minutes 05th-Jan-2022 18.00 Cabinet.pdf \(eastdevon.gov.uk\)](#)

### Recommendation:

- Recommends increasing the budget for the Long Lane enhancement scheme from £3.7m to £4.51m and delegating authority to the Chief Executive to make any necessary changes to funding agreements
- Recommends to Council the borrowing of up to £4.51m against ring fenced business rate income to complete the scheme

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### Authority

Decision of Council on 26<sup>th</sup> July 2021 to delegate decision making to officers until 23.59 17<sup>th</sup> January 2022.

[Minutes 26<sup>th</sup> July 2021 – Council Meeting](#)

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### Consultations:

I was present at / have watched the recording of the consultative meeting which considered this item

Yes  No

Detail any other consultations carried out:

N/A

### Other considerations:

Do the legal and finance comments and equalities impact, climate change and risk assessments as detailed in the officer report remain the same.

Yes  No

If no, provide the updated assessment below;

**Equalities impact** Low Impact

**Climate change** High Impact

**Risk:** Medium Risk; Two thirds of the scheme is now complete. Cost inflation is a significant issue across all construction projects currently. Devon County Council are project managing the implementation of the scheme and have significant experience in delivering a wide range of highways schemes. The increased budget now includes a specific 15% risk allowance.

### Decision:

I agree with the recommendation.

### Reasons for decision:

Recommendation is based upon the report.



7<sup>th</sup> March 2022

Signed ..... Dated .....

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