

MEETING: CABINET MEMBER - TECHNICAL SERVICES
DATE: Wednesday 13 January 2010
TIME: 10.00 am
VENUE: Town Hall, Bootle (video conferenced Town Hall, Southport)

Councillor

DECISION MAKER: Councillor Fairclough
SUBSTITUTE: Councillor Maher

SPOKESPERSONS: Councillor T Jones Councillor Tonkiss

SUBSTITUTES: Councillor Ibbs Councillor Sumner

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- any Executive decision that is not in the Annual Revenue Budget and Capital Programme approved by the Council and which requires a gross budget expenditure, saving or virement of more than £100,000 or more than 2% of a Departmental budget, whichever is the greater
- any Executive decision where the outcome will have a significant impact on a significant number of people living or working in two or more Wards

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Items marked with an * involve key decisions

<u>Item No.</u>	<u>Subject/Author(s)</u>	<u>Wards Affected</u>	
1.	Apologies for Absence		
2.	Declarations of Interest Members and Officers are requested to give notice of any personal or prejudicial interest and the nature of that interest, relating to any item on the agenda in accordance with the relevant Code of Conduct.		
3.	Minutes of Previous Meeting Minutes of the Meeting held on 16 December 2009		(Pages 5 - 10)
4.	Petition - Hawthorne Road and Marina Avenue, Litherland Traffic Conditions Report of the Planning and Economic Regeneration Director	Ford	(Pages 11 - 16)
5.	Request for Disabled Parking Places, Sefton Road, Litherland Report of the Planning and Economic Regeneration Director	Ford	(Pages 17 - 22)
6.	Request for Temporary Road Closure - Prescott Road, Melling Report of the Planning and Economic Regeneration Director	Molyneux	(Pages 23 - 28)
* 7.	Southport Cycle Town 200910 - Revised Work Programme Report of the Planning and Economic Regeneration Director	Ainsdale; Dukes; Norwood;	(Pages 29 - 34)

8. **Southport Parking Signage, Phase 2 - Variable Message Signs** Ainsdale; Birkdale; Cambridge; Dukes; Kew; Meols; Norwood; (Pages 35 - 38)

Report of the Planning and Economic Regeneration Director

9. **Exclusion of Press and Public**

To consider passing the following resolution:

That, under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item(s) of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act. The Public Interest Test has been applied and favours exclusion of the information from the Press and Public

10. **Thornton to Switch Island Link Road - Exchange of Land** Manor; Molyneux; Netherton and Orrell; Park; St. Oswald; Sudell; (Pages 39 - 46)

Report of the Strategic Director - Communities

THE "CALL IN" PERIOD FOR THIS SET OF MINUTES ENDS AT 12 NOON ON WEDNESDAY 23 DECEMBER 2009. MINUTE NOS 101 AND 103 ARE NOT SUBJECT TO "CALL-IN".

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MEETING HELD AT THE TOWN HALL, BOOTLE ON WEDNESDAY 16 DECEMBER 2009

PRESENT: Councillor Fairclough

ALSO PRESENT: Councillors T Jones and Tonkiss

96. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

No apologies for absence were received.

97. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were received.

98. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 2 DECEMBER 2009

RESOLVED:

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 2 December 2009 be confirmed as a correct record.

99. REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE - ROSE HILL, SOUTHPORT

The Cabinet Member considered the report of the Planning and Economic Regeneration Director seeking approval for a temporary road closure of Rose Hill between Kensington Road and Forest Road, Southport to enable Railway Bridge reconstruction works to be carried out.

RESOLVED: That

- (1) the temporary closure of Rose Hill between Kensington Road and Forest Road, Southport to vehicular traffic be approved; and
- (2) the Traffic Services Manager be authorised to execute the necessary legal procedures, including those of consultation and objection and to advertise the Council's intention to implement the appropriate Traffic Regulation Order.

100. SECTION 228 ADOPTIONS - HIGHWAYS ACT 1980

The Cabinet Member considered the report of the Planning and Economic Regeneration Director seeking authority, in conjunction with the Legal Director, to adopt three areas of highways pursuant to Section 228 of the

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Highways Act 1980, as detailed in the report and as shown on the plans numbered DC0493, DC0494 and DC0495 to the undermentioned organisations and indicating that a decision on the matter was required to allow the Local Authority to maintain and adopt two areas of highway, at public expense, but which do not form part of the adopted highway network at the present time.

Location	Organisation	Plan No
Area of highway at Junction of Hawthorne Road and Linacre Road, Bootle	Traffic Services Section, Magdalen House, Trinity Road, Bootle	DC0493
Area of highway off Prescott Road, Melling	Capita Symonds, Magdalen House, Trinity Road, Bootle	DC0494
Two areas of highway adjoining new scout hall and community centre, Captains Lane, Bootle	Capita Symonds, Magdalen House, Trinity Road, Bootle	DC0495

RESOLVED:

That the Legal Director, in conjunction with the Planning and Economic Regeneration Director, be authorised to adopt the three areas of highway pursuant to Section 228 of the Highways Act, 1980 as detailed within the report and as shown upon the plans numbered DC0493, DC0494 and DC0495 to the above mentioned organisations subject to the organisations bearing all costs associated with the proposal.

101. THORNTON SWITCH ISLAND LINK LAYOUT APPROVAL AND PUBLIC EXHIBITION PROPOSALS

Further to Minute No 59 of the meeting held 23 September 2009, the Cabinet Member considered the report of the Planning and Economic Regeneration Director regarding the Thornton Switch Island Link Layout Approval and Public Exhibition Proposal, and seeking approval for the proposed scheme layout, the proposals for public exhibition in advance of the planning application and the initial approaches to landowners to open discussions about land acquisition, and indicating that a decision on the matter was required to ensure that Members were fully appraised of progress and that approval was required for the scheme proposals, in advance of presentation to the public and initial discussions about land acquisitions.

The report indicated that the completion of the preliminary design was set for December 2009; that a public exhibition was to be held in February 2010; and that the planning application would be submitted in April 2010.

The Project Team had been developing the design of the scheme and had undertaken detailed environmental assessments of the potential impacts of the scheme on air quality, noise, landscape, land use and agriculture, water quality, hydrology and flood risk, soils, ecology and cultural heritage which would be reported in the Environmental Statement to be submitted in conjunction with the planning application. Further surveys had been completed in September including ground investigation and topographic surveys; traffic surveys; use of footpaths and tracks; baseline noise surveys; bat, water vole and badger surveys; and landscape and land use.

Regular meetings had taken place between Sefton Council, Capita Symonds, Balfour Beatty and Jacobs to monitor progress, and the Project Board had registered the scheme with the Civil Engineering Environmental Quality Assessment and Awards Scheme (CEEQUAL) in order to draw on current guidance and environmental good practice, provide an incentive and protocol for assessing, benchmarking and labelling; and the environmental quality of projects. The achievement of CEEQUAL would provide evidence to stakeholders and other parties that good environmental practice had been adopted for the scheme.

The report also indicated that it was proposed to hold exhibitions on the afternoons and evenings of 2 and 3 February 2009 in Netherton at St Benet's Church Hall and in Thornton at St Frideswyde's Church Hall; that Members of the Council, Capita Symonds, Balfour Beatty and Jacobs would be available to answer questions; that the exhibitions would be publicised as widely as possible; that additional consultations would be offered to residents most affected by the scheme proposals namely Chapel Lane, Rothwells Lane and Holgate; that individual discussions would be offered to local landowners and farmers affected; and that reports would be presented to all the relevant Area Committees and offers would be made to the Parish Councils for one of the project officers to attend their meetings to explain the scheme proposals.

As far as possible agreement with existing landowners would be secured, however Compulsory Purchase Orders would be prepared for the land needed for the scheme, which would be published alongside the planning application, but only enforced if required. Initial approaches to the existing landowners about the possibility of securing land purchase by agreement would be undertaken by Capita Symonds on behalf of the Council.

Steve Birch, Team Leader, Technical Services circulated a report detailing further information regarding the Thornton Switch Island Link Layout scheme, as requested by the Cabinet Member.

Plans outlining the proposed scheme were attached as an Annex to the report.

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RESOLVED: That

- (1) the report be noted; and
- (2) Cabinet be recommended to:
 - (a) note the progress of the Thornton to Switch Island Link;
 - (b) approve the proposed scheme layout;
 - (c) approve the proposal for a public exhibition of the scheme plans to be held in advance of the submission of the planning application; and
 - (d) give approval for initial discussions to be held with landowners about land acquisition for the scheme.

102. ENERGY CARBON AND WATER PROGRESS REPORT

The Cabinet Member considered the report of the Head of Regeneration and Technical Services advising of the corporate and domestic energy efficiency, eco education, strategic progress and awareness activities undertaken in accordance with the Councils Corporate Carbon Reduction, Fuel Poverty, Sustainable Schools and Home Energy Conservation Act commitments during 2008/09.

RESOLVED: That

- (1) the energy carbon and water progress report be noted;
- (2) the various external cross sector partners be congratulated for their delivery of the activities detailed in the report; and
- (3) The Head of Regeneration and Technical Services distribute the report to all Councillors.

103. FUNDING FOR TRANSPORT ASSET MANAGEMENT

The Cabinet Member considered the report of the Planning and Economic Regeneration Director on the Funding for Asset Management, seeking approval to include the capital funding received from the Department for Transport (DfT) into the 2009/10 Transportation Capital Programme and identifying revenue spending associated with a revenue element of the DfT grant, and indicating that a decision on the matter was required as approval of grant funding would assist Sefton Council to develop its asset management capacity for its highway assets into the Transportation Programme.

The report indicated that in order to encourage local authorities to develop an asset management approach to managing their highway networks and to draw up and implement Transport Asset Management Plans (TAMPs),

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Sefton Council had been awarded £69,100 of capital funding and £50,000 of revenue funding to assist in the development of its asset management capability for its highway assets; that given the start date for the project, capital funding would not be required to be spent until 2010/11; that it was intended to commission Capita Symonds to undertake this work; that the work was not covered by the partnership contract and would require the revenue element of the DfT grant to be used to pay Capita Symonds' fees to undertake the work; and that the work was scheduled to commence in January 2010 with a planned revenue spend of £10k in 2009/10 and £40k in 2010/11.

RESOLVED: That

- (1) the report be noted; and
- (2) Cabinet be recommended to approve the inclusion of the Capital funding from the DfT into the 2009/10 Transportation Capital Programme.

104. REGENERATION & TECHNICAL SERVICES DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE PLAN MONITORING - 2009/10 QUARTER 2 REVIEW

Further to Minute No 18 of the meeting held on 1 July 2009, the Cabinet Member considered the report of the Strategic Director of Regeneration and Environmental Services regarding an update on the Technical Services Department Service Delivery Plan 2009/10; and indicating that a decision on this matter was required in order to comply with the Council's Corporate Performance Management procedure.

The report indicated that the update covered the period April – September 2009; encompassed the full range of technical services delivered by Capita Symonds and the Technical Services Department; and detailed progress in relation to specific activities, namely Regeneration Projects, Southport ECO Centre, Display Energy Certificates, Road Safety and Sefton Metropolitan Borough Council/Capita Symonds Partnership.

Councillors asked a variety of questions regarding NEET (Not in Education Employment or Training) and the transport and facilities in relation to this part of the populous; road safety; and the formulas used to collect the data in the report.

Attached as an annex to the report was a copy of the Technical Services Department Service Delivery Plan 2009/10; which was structured so that it included all the technical services that were delivered in Sefton for ease of monitoring and reporting; and that these services were now delivered by different departments and the Council's strategic service provider.

RESOLVED: That

- (1) the update on the Technical Services Service Delivery Plan and NI targets for 2009/10 be noted; and

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- (2) staff in Regeneration and Technical Services, Planning and Economic Regeneration Departments and Capita Symonds be congratulated for their hard work, performance and dedication during the previous year.

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REPORT TO: CABINET MEMBER – TECHNICAL SERVICES

DATE: 13 JANUARY 2010

SUBJECT: PETITION – HAWTHORNE ROAD / MARINA AVENUE, LITHERLAND TRAFFIC CONDITIONS

WARDS AFFECTED: FORD

REPORT OF: ANDY WALLIS – PLANNING & ECONOMIC REGENERATION DIRECTOR

CONTACT OFFICER: COLIN TAYLOR 0151-934-4189

**EXEMPT/
CONFIDENTIAL:** NO

PURPOSE/SUMMARY:

To report the receipt of a petition requesting a prohibition of driving order for Hawthorne Road, Litherland. The effect of which will restrict right turns out of the KFC restaurant and petrol station onto Hawthorne Road. The petition also requests that traffic conditions be improved in Marina Avenue, Litherland.

REASON WHY DECISION REQUIRED:

This matter has been referred to Cabinet Member from Litherland and Ford Area Committee.

RECOMMENDATION(S):

It is recommended that:-

- (i) the Cabinet member note the contents of the Committee report.
- (ii) the Traffic Services Manager write to advise the petitioners of the resolution of this Committee regarding this matter

KEY DECISION: No

FORWARD PLAN: Not appropriate

IMPLEMENTATION DATE: N/A

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ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS: None available

IMPLICATIONS:

Budget/Policy Framework:

Financial:

<u>CAPITAL EXPENDITURE</u>	2009/ 2010 £	2010/ 2011 £	2011/ 2012 £	2012/ 2013 £
Gross Increase in Capital Expenditure				
Funded by:				
Sefton Capital Resources				
Specific Capital Resources				
<u>REVENUE IMPLICATIONS</u>				
Gross Increase in Revenue Expenditure				
Funded by:				
Sefton funded Resources				
Funded from External Resources				
Does the External Funding have an expiry date? Y/N	When?			
How will the service be funded post expiry?				

Legal:

Risk Assessment: N/A

Asset Management: N/A

CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN/VIEWS

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CORPORATE OBJECTIVE MONITORING:

<u>Corporate Objective</u>		<u>Positive Impact</u>	<u>Neutral Impact</u>	<u>Negative Impact</u>
1	Creating a Learning Community		√	
2	Creating Safe Communities	√		
3	Jobs and Prosperity	√		
4	Improving Health and Well-Being	√		
5	Environmental Sustainability		√	
6	Creating Inclusive Communities		√	
7	Improving the Quality of Council Services and Strengthening local Democracy		√	
8	Children and Young People		√	

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS RELIED UPON IN THE PREPARATION OF THIS REPORT

NIL

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PETITION – TRAFFIC CONDITIONS HAWTHORNE ROAD / MARINA AVENUE, LITHERLAND.

1.0 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 A petition from Litherland Village Community Group containing 21 signatures from residents of Hawthorne Court and Marina Avenue was submitted to the 28 October 2009 meeting of the Litherland and Ford Area Committee.
- 1.2 The petitioners object to vehicles turning right into oncoming traffic on Hawthorne Road and also drivers obtaining unnecessary access to, and speeding along Marina Avenue. The Group has requested whether any action can be taken to address this perceived dangerous driving.

2.0 ACCIDENT RECORDS

- 2.1 Examination of the personal injury accident records for the latest three year study period for both the affected sections of Hawthorne Road and Marina Avenue has been undertaken.
- 2.2 The records show that whilst there has been five accidents on Hawthorne Road, none of which has involved right turning traffic out of the KFC restaurant or the petrol station. The records also show that there have been no personal injury accidents on Marina Avenue in the latest three year study period.

3.0 COMMENTS

- 3.1 The introduction of an enforced left turn only restriction whilst exiting the KFC restaurant and the petrol station should be backed up by the introduction of a legal order. As this is a moving traffic offence officers of Merseyside Police can only enforce it. Merseyside Police do not support the introduction of such Traffic Regulation Orders without the introduction of physical features to restrict the illegal manoeuvre, as this will require constant attention from officers to educate drivers that this is an illegal manoeuvre.
- 3.2 It is estimated that the introduction of such physical measures will cost at least £5000. Technical Services does not currently have funding to finance this project and given the absence of personal injury accidents the scheme cannot currently be justified.
- 3.3 Merseyside Police are the enforcement authority with regard to alleged speeding vehicles in Marina Avenue. In the absence of any personal injury accidents further action is not currently justified.
- 3.4 As Marina Avenue has an existing 'Access only' traffic regulation order imposed on it, vehicular access is restricted to residents, visitors, deliveries to residential properties and service vehicles requiring necessary access. Merseyside Police are the enforcement authority for this type of Traffic Regulation Order. Officers of Merseyside Police can enforce all unnecessary traffic movements in Marina Avenue.

3.0 RECOMMENDATION

3.1 It is recommended that :

- 3.1.1 given the information supplied in paragraphs 2.2, 3.1 and 3.2 there is no current justification to introduce a prohibition of driving Traffic Regulation order on Hawthorne Road, Litherland.
- 3.1.2 given the information supplied in paragraph 3.3 and 3.4 there is no current justification for any further action relating to speeding vehicles and unnecessary traffic movements in Marina Avenue. Merseyside Police will be advised of the receipt of the petition and requested to carry out any enforcement they consider necessary at this location.

Andy Wallis
Planning & Economic Regeneration Director

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Litherland Village Community Group

Petition Against Vehicles Driving out of the KFC and Turning Right into on coming traffic on Hawthorne Road. The same thing is happening at the Garage on Hawthorne Road. We have drivers also speeding along Marina Avenue which is Access Only, This Avenue is used as a short cut for drivers going to Field Lane. We also have Cars and Vans Parking in Marina Avenue outside the Subway Outlet and also parking on both sides at the bottom of Marina Avenue at the junction with Sefton Street which is blocking the Road. At times it would be very hard for Emergency Vehicles to gain access here. Residents are terrified of the risk of accidents and near misses here. Many residents that live in Marina Avenue are elderly and disabled. Would it be possible to have some action to improve this situation please.

NAME

ADDRESS

Kim Horner
Hea Hoers
Margaret HENLY
WYN WILSON
N. BELL
J. Herbert
G. Shank
E. K. Owen
J. E. Wallace
V. Baker
C. Home
E. A. Rawlins
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Jean BALLARD
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J. Bingley

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REPORT TO: CABINET MEMBER – TECHNICAL SERVICES
DATE: 13 JANUARY 2010
SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR DISABLED PARKING PLACES – SEFTON ROAD,
LITHERLAND
WARDS AFFECTED: FORD
REPORT OF: ANDY WALLIS – PLANNING & ECONOMIC REGENERATION
DIRECTOR
CONTACT OFFICER: COLIN TAYLOR 0151-934-4189
**EXEMPT/
CONFIDENTIAL:** NO

PURPOSE/SUMMARY:

To report the request for Disabled Parking Places in Sefton Road, Litherland.

REASON WHY DECISION REQUIRED:

This matter has been referred to Cabinet Member from Litherland and Ford Area Committee.

RECOMMENDATION(S):

It is recommended that:-

- (i) the Cabinet member note the contents of the Committee report.
- (ii) the Traffic Services Manager write to advise the Advisory Group Member of the resolution of this Committee regarding this matter

KEY DECISION: No
FORWARD PLAN: Not appropriate
IMPLEMENTATION DATE: N/A

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ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS: None available

IMPLICATIONS:

Budget/Policy Framework:

Financial:

<u>CAPITAL EXPENDITURE</u>	2009/ 2010 £	2010/ 2011 £	2011/ 2012 £	2012/ 2013 £
Gross Increase in Capital Expenditure	Nil			
Funded by:				
Sefton Capital Resources				
Specific Capital Resources				
<u>REVENUE IMPLICATIONS</u>				
Gross Increase in Revenue Expenditure	Nil			
Funded by:				
Sefton funded Resources				
Funded from External Resources				
Does the External Funding have an expiry date? Y/N	When?			
How will the service be funded post expiry?				

Legal: N/A

Risk Assessment: N/A

Asset Management: N/A

CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN/VIEWS

CORPORATE OBJECTIVE MONITORING:

<u>Corporate Objective</u>		<u>Positive Impact</u>	<u>Neutral Impact</u>	<u>Negative Impact</u>
1	Creating a Learning Community		√	
2	Creating Safe Communities	√		
3	Jobs and Prosperity	√		
4	Improving Health and Well-Being	√		
5	Environmental Sustainability		√	
6	Creating Inclusive Communities		√	
7	Improving the Quality of Council Services and Strengthening local Democracy		√	
8	Children and Young People		√	

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS RELIED UPON IN THE PREPARATION OF THIS REPORT

NIL

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REQUEST FOR DISABLED PARKING PLACES – SEFTON ROAD, LITHERLAND

1.0 INTRODUCTION

1.1 At its meeting of Litherland & Ford Area Committee on 28 October 2009, Mr Walsh (Advisory Group Member) requested the provision of an extra two Disabled Parking Places adjacent to the Chemist on Sefton Road, Litherland.

1.2 The Area Committee resolved that:-

Mr. Walsh's request be forwarded to the Cabinet Member – Technical Services for consideration

2.0 COMMENTS

2.1 A written response has already been provided to Mr Walsh stating that parking surveys would need to be carried out in order to establish whether Disabled Parking Places could be justified. If they are, Litherland & Ford Area Committee would be requested to authorise the progression of the legal Traffic Regulation Order.

2.2 Members should be aware that at previous meetings of Litherland & Ford Area Committee, Members requested the introduction of extensive waiting restrictions on Field Lane, adjacent to Sefton Road. This was suggested in order to remove obstructive parking caused, primarily by visitors to the Health Centre.

2.3 Following Members' approval to progress the Traffic Regulation Order on Field Lane, further requests were made at subsequent Area Committee meetings to introduce additional waiting restrictions to prohibit parking on the central island separating Field Lane, Sefton Street and Sefton Road. A location plan is shown as Annex A.

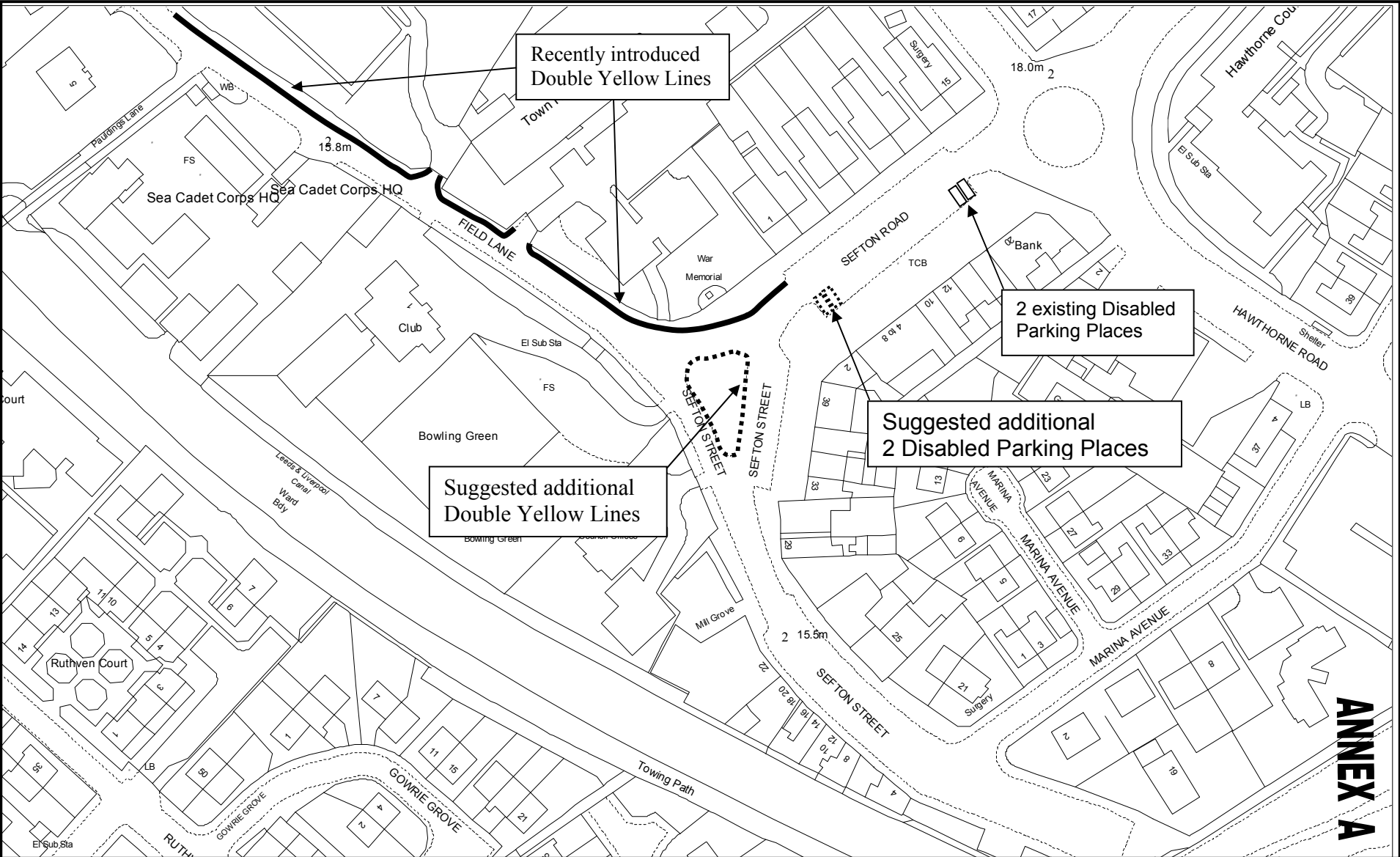
2.4 There is already a shortage of on-street parking in the vicinity of this busy shopping area, and officers from Technical Services felt that any further parking restrictions should be only be considered once the effect of the Field Lane restrictions were known. As a result, Litherland & Ford Area Committee have been advised that comprehensive parking surveys would be carried out as soon as the new double yellow lines had been painted on Field Lane, which has only just taken place.

2.5 This latest request for the replacement of existing on-street parking places with two Disabled Parking Places will clearly be affected by, and have an effect on, parking provision within the surrounding area. It would be wise, therefore, to consider the wider aspect of on-street parking before making decisions on a piece-meal basis.


3.0 Proposals

- 3.1 Following the recent provision of double yellow lines on Field Lane, it is now intended to carry out a number of parking surveys in the area to establish parking provision.
- 3.2 Against this background of parking information, a report will be prepared and taken to Litherland & Ford Area Committee, which will address the Committee's previous suggestions for additional restrictions around the central island, and also this latest request for additional Disabled Parking Places. It is anticipated that the results of the surveys will be reported to Litherland & Ford Area Committee on 17 February 2010.

Andy Wallis
Planning & Economic Regeneration Director



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<p>METROPOLITAN BOROUGH OF SEFTON</p> <p>Andy Wallis</p> <p>Director of Planning & Economic Regeneration</p>	<p>Title Sefton Road, Litherland Location Plan</p>	<p>Drawn <i>SJ</i></p> <p>Scale <i>NTS</i></p> <p>Date <i>Dec 2009</i></p>	
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REPORT TO: CABINET MEMBER – TECHNICAL SERVICES
DATE: 13 JANUARY 2010
SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE –
PRESCOT ROAD, MELLING
WARDS AFFECTED: MOLYNEUX
REPORT OF: ANDY WALLIS – PLANNING & ECONOMIC REGENERATION
DIRECTOR
CONTACT OFFICER: STEVE JOHNSTON 0151-934-4258
**EXEMPT/
CONFIDENTIAL:** NO

PURPOSE/SUMMARY:

To seek approval for a temporary road closure of Prescott Road, Melling, to enable works to the Prescott Road / Bank Lane junction improvement to be implemented.

REASON WHY DECISION REQUIRED:

Cabinet Member has delegated powers to approve a temporary road closure.

RECOMMENDATION(S):

It is recommended that:-

- (i) the Cabinet member approve the temporary closure of Prescott Road, Melling from its junction with Bank Lane, for a distance of 100m in a southwesterly direction, to all vehicular and pedestrian traffic.
- (ii) the Planning & Economic Regeneration Director be authorised to execute the necessary legal procedures, including those of consultation and objection and to advertise the Council's intention

KEY DECISION: No
FORWARD PLAN: Not appropriate
IMPLEMENTATION DATE: Monday 15 February 2010

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ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS: None available

IMPLICATIONS:

Budget/Policy Framework:

Financial:

<u>CAPITAL EXPENDITURE</u>	2009/ 2010 £	2010/ 2011 £	2011/ 2012 £	2012/ 2013 £
Gross Increase in Capital Expenditure	600			
Funded by:				
Sefton Capital Resources				
Specific Capital Resources	600			
<u>REVENUE IMPLICATIONS</u>				
Gross Increase in Revenue Expenditure				
Funded by:				
Sefton funded Resources				
Funded from External Resources				
Does the External Funding have an expiry date? Y/N	When?			
How will the service be funded post expiry?				

Legal: N/A

Risk Assessment: N/A

Asset Management: N/A

CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN/VIEWS

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CORPORATE OBJECTIVE MONITORING:

<u>Corporate Objective</u>		<u>Positive Impact</u>	<u>Neutral Impact</u>	<u>Negative Impact</u>
1	Creating a Learning Community		√	
2	Creating Safe Communities	√		
3	Jobs and Prosperity	√		
4	Improving Health and Well-Being	√		
5	Environmental Sustainability		√	
6	Creating Inclusive Communities		√	
7	Improving the Quality of Council Services and Strengthening local Democracy		√	
8	Children and Young People		√	

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS RELIED UPON IN THE PREPARATION OF THIS REPORT

NIL

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PROPOSED TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE – PRESCOT ROAD, MELLING

1.0 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 Work on the proposed roundabout at Prescott Road / Bank Lane is programmed to commence on Mon 15 February 2010.
- 1.2 The work involves major modifications to the existing highway boundary, creation of new footways and carriageway, together with associated drainage and street lighting works.
- 1.3 The majority of the new roundabout will be created on land directly adjacent to Prescott Road (south). Due to the very constrained nature of the site, it will be necessary to close Prescott Road (south) for approximately eight weeks.

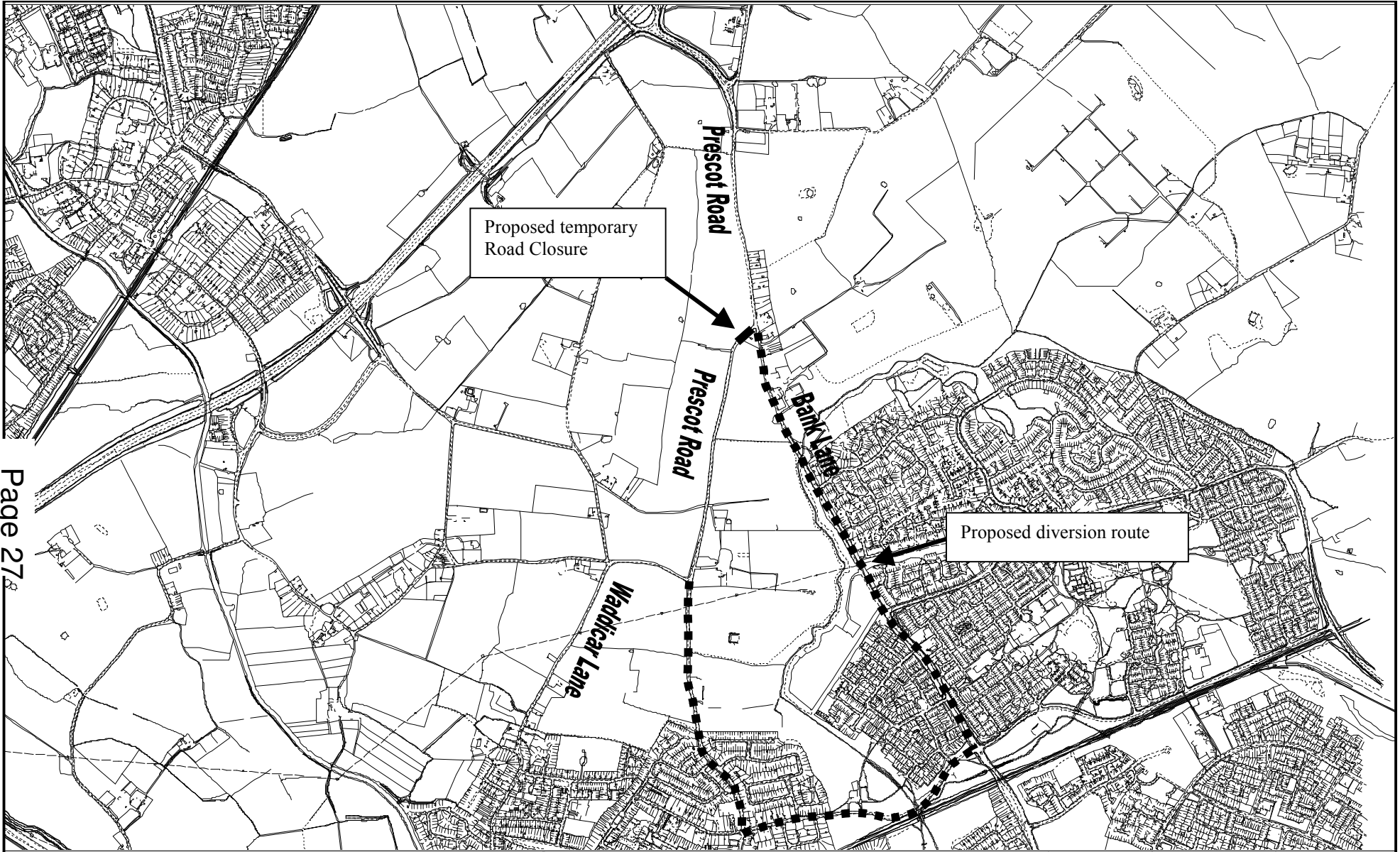
2.0 PROPOSALS


- 2.1 It is proposed to introduce a temporary road closure, which will prohibit vehicular and pedestrian traffic from Prescott Road (south) for a distance of approximately 100m from its junction with Bank Lane.
- 2.2 The temporary road closure is expected to commence on Monday 15 February 2010 and will remain in force up to a maximum of 18 months, or until the works are completed, whichever is the sooner. The works to be undertaken under the road closure are expected to take 8 weeks to complete.
- 2.3 Access will be maintained for the emergency services.
- 2.4 The proposed diversion route will be via, Waddicar Lane; Prescott Road; Glovers Brow; Mill Lane; Boyes Brow; Bank Lane and vice versa. A plan showing the proposed closure and diversion route is attached as Annex A.
- 2.5 In accordance with Council policy, the contractor for the works will publicise his intentions to close the aforementioned highway, by distributing a letter of intention to retail premises / residents who may be affected by the road closure.

3.0 RECOMMENDATION

- 3.1 It is recommended that :
 - 3.1.1 the proposed temporary closure of Prescott Road, Melling be approved.
 - 3.1.2 The Planning & Economic Regeneration Director be authorised to execute the necessary legal procedures, including those of consultation and objection and to advertise the Council's intention.

Andy Wallis
Planning & Economic Regeneration Director



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REPORT TO: Cabinet Member Technical Services
Cabinet

DATE: 13th January 2010
14th January 2010

SUBJECT: Southport Cycle Town 2009/10 - Revised Work Programme

WARDS AFFECTED: Ainsdale, Dukes, Norwood

REPORT OF: Andy Wallis, Director of Planning & Regeneration

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**EXEMPT/
CONFIDENTIAL:** No

PURPOSE/SUMMARY:

To inform Members of an additional funding allocation and to seek approval to revise the funding allocations for individual schemes within the approved Cycle Town Work Programme for 2009/10

REASON WHY DECISION REQUIRED:

To allow delivery of schemes within the Cycle Town Work Programme in 2009/10

RECOMMENDATION(S):

It is recommended that:

Cabinet Member Technical Services:-

- i) Note the report:

Cabinet:-

- i) Approve the inclusion of the capital funding from Cycling England / Department for Transport into the 2009/10 Capital Programme:

KEY DECISION: Yes

FORWARD PLAN: Yes

IMPLEMENTATION DATE: Following the expiry of the 'call in' period for the minutes of the meeting

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS:

None

IMPLICATIONS:

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Budget/Policy Framework:

The funding will be from a Department for Transport Grant administered through Cycling England

Financial:

<u>CAPITAL EXPENDITURE</u>	2009/ 2010 £	2010/ 2011 £	2011/ 2012 £	2012/ 2013 £
Gross Increase in Capital Expenditure	250,000			
Funded by:				
Sefton Capital Resources				
Specific Capital Resources	250,000			
<u>REVENUE IMPLICATIONS</u>				
Gross Increase in Revenue Expenditure				
Funded by:				
Sefton funded Resources				
Funded from External Resources				
Does the External Funding have an expiry date? Y	31.3.10			
How will the service be funded post expiry?				

Legal:

N/A

Risk Assessment:

N/A

Asset Management:

N/A

CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN/VIEWS – The Finance and Information Services Director has been consulted on the report and has no comments - FD 283 .

CORPORATE OBJECTIVE MONITORING:

<u>Corporate Objective</u>		<u>Positive Impact</u>	<u>Neutral Impact</u>	<u>Negative Impact</u>
1	Creating a Learning Community		✓	
2	Creating Safe Communities	✓		
3	Jobs and Prosperity	✓		
4	Improving Health and Well-Being	✓		
5	Environmental Sustainability	✓		
6	Creating Inclusive Communities	✓		
7	Improving the Quality of Council Services and Strengthening local Democracy	✓		
8	Children and Young People	✓		

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS RELIED UPON IN THE PREPARATION OF THIS REPORT

None

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Southport Cycle Town – Working Programme 2009/10

1.0 Introduction

- 1.1 A report was submitted to the Cabinet Member – Technical Services at his meeting of the 29th July 2009 and to the Cabinet at its meeting of the 6th August 2009 which detailed the Southport Cycle Town – Working Programme for 2009/10. The approved Capital Working Programme is shown below

Capital	£'000
East West Link - Design Fees for the preliminary design and 2 nd round of Public Consultation to develop proposals for an east/ west link across the town. Delivery of Scheme to commence Jan 2010. This will be linked to the delivery of a Local Safety Scheme in the Portland Street Area and a Route Action Scheme on Cemetery Road	220
Wennington Road - Design Fees for the preliminary design and Public Consultation for a cycle route along Wennington Road to be delivered Autumn 2009	80
Seafront Cycle Facilities – Completion of Seafront Circular Route and links to Town Centre	147
Selworthy Road Link – Link to Coastal Road route from Birkdale / Hillside	10
Cycle Parking – Ongoing Provision of cycle parking and cycle lockers within the town and district centres	30
Pontins Trans Pennine Trail Diversion – Contribution to scheme funded through LTP	3
Signing – Develop comprehensive route signing strategy with indicating key destinations and travel times along key routes on seafront and coastal path to Formby	10
Schools(Parking/ Infrastructure) - Improved cycle parking/ access improvements to Secondary Schools	25
Cycle Hire – Purchase of Bikes	40
Total Capital	565

- 1.2 All funding for the programme is provided by The Department for Transport through Cycling England.

2.0 Additional Funding

- 2.1 For some time concerns have been expressed by cyclists regarding the cycletrack, which runs alongside the Coastal Road to Ainsdale (Pontins Roundabout). These concerns have been recognised by Cycling England.
- 2.2 The track was built some years ago and is part of the Trans-Pennine Trail. For the majority of its length it is only some 1.5 metres wide, which creates problems when cyclist pass each other or cyclists pass pedestrians. The track is also perceived as not being particularly pleasant to use due to the close proximity of a large volume of high-speed traffic (speed limit on this section of the road being 50mph).
- 2.3 There has long been an aspiration to create a more pleasant track along this route, however, funding has not been available.
- 2.4 In October 2009 Officers of the Council were approached by Cycling England with a suggestion to develop the route and were informed that an additional Capital Grant may be available during the 2009/10 financial year to enable the works to be completed.
- 2.5 Subsequently in November, confirmation was received from Cycling England that £250,000 had been allocated to Sefton Council to complete the route.
- 2.6 This report now seeks the inclusion of this funding in the 2009/10 Capital programme
- 2.7 It is anticipated that the route can be delivered by the 31st March 2010.

3.0 Amendments to existing programme

- 3.1 Members will note the allocation of £80k to deliver a cycle route along Wennington Road. Whilst discussions are continuing with Councillors regarding the form of this route it will not be possible to deliver a scheme on the ground during 2009/10. Consequently, it is proposed that the allocation to the Wennington Road scheme will be reduced to £5K for the current financial year. The remaining £75k will be used to further develop the Seafront Cycle facilities and routes.

4.0 Recommendation

- 4.1 That the Cabinet Member Technical Services note the report.
- 4.2 That the Cabinet approve the inclusion of the capital funding from Cycling England / Department for Transport into the 2009/10 Capital Programme:

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REPORT TO: Cabinet Member -Technical Services
DATE: 13th January 2010
SUBJECT: Southport Parking Signage, Phase 2 – Variable Message Signs
WARDS AFFECTED: Southport
REPORT OF: Andy Wallis – Director of Planning & Economic Regeneration
CONTACT OFFICER: Andrew Sawyer – Project Leader – Capita Symonds - Ext 4273
**EXEMPT/
CONFIDENTIAL:** No

PURPOSE/SUMMARY:

To seek approval to accept a Tender for the supply and installation of 18 No. Variable Message Signs in and around Southport Town Centre.

REASON WHY DECISION REQUIRED:

Now that the Tender process has been completed and the Tenders have been assessed, the successful Contractor needs to be appointed to deliver the works.

RECOMMENDATION(S):

1. It is recommended that approval be given to the acceptance of the Tender received from Dambach UK Ltd dated 25th October 2009 in the value of £190,652.75.
2. The Legal Director be requested to prepare a formal contract with the successful Tenderer.

KEY DECISION: No
FORWARD PLAN: N/A
IMPLEMENTATION DATE: Following the expiry of the 'call in' period for the minutes of the meeting

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ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS:

None

IMPLICATIONS:

Budget/Policy Framework:

Financial:

<u>CAPITAL EXPENDITURE</u>	2006/ 2007 £	2007/ 2008 £	2008/ 2009 £	2009/ 2010 £
Gross Increase in Capital Expenditure				
Funded by:				
Sefton Capital Resources				
Specific Capital Resources (LTP)				
<u>REVENUE IMPLICATIONS</u>				
Gross Increase in Revenue Expenditure				
Funded by:				
Sefton funded Resources				
Funded from External Resources				
Does the External Funding have an expiry date? Y/N	N/A			
How will the service be funded post expiry?	N/A			

Legal:

Legal Services will need to ensure the necessary legal arrangements required to appoint the Contractor are put in place.

Risk Assessment:

N/A

Asset Management:

N/A

CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN/VIEWS

The Finance Director has been consulted and his comments have been incorporated into the report, FD236.

CORPORATE OBJECTIVE MONITORING:

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<u>Corporate Objective</u>		<u>Positive Impact</u>	<u>Neutral Impact</u>	<u>Negative Impact</u>
1	Creating a Learning Community		✓	
2	Creating Safe Communities	✓		
3	Jobs and Prosperity		✓	
4	Improving Health and Well-Being	✓		
5	Environmental Sustainability	✓		
6	Creating Inclusive Communities		✓	
7	Improving the Quality of Council Services and Strengthening local Democracy	✓		
8	Children and Young People		✓	

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS RELIED UPON IN THE PREPARATION OF THIS REPORT

Please refer to the report made to Cabinet Member – Technical Services on 2nd December 2009, Subject: 2009/10 Local Transport Plan – Revised Transportation Capital Programme, Paragraph 5.1 Item Y – Southport Parking Signage. The financial allocations include both elements of the scheme, the Variable Message Signage (VMS) and the Advanced Directional Signage (ADS).

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1.0 BACKGROUND:

- 1.1 It had been recognised for some time that the existing parking signage for Southport Town Centre required updating with many units in need of replacement. As a result, in 2005 Sefton Council commissioned its Design Services and UTC Department (now Capita Symonds) to review the current signage system and to recommend a package of signage that would help to co-ordinate all the town centre parking signage with that for the park and ride sites at Kew, Esplanade, and Fairways. Phase 1 of the scheme has already been delivered. This involved the introduction of new VMS signage as part of the Chapel Street Scheme and new signage to promote the three Southport Park and Ride sites. Phase 2 of the scheme will complete the package of signs required to fully co-ordinate the town centre car parking and the park and ride sites. The scheme consists of two elements of signage, Variable Message Signage (VMS) and the Advanced Directional Signage (ADS).
- 1.2 Tenders for the VMS element of Phase 2 of the scheme were issued on 8th October 2009. Three specialist sign manufacturers were invited to tender. Their names, in alphabetical order are as follows: -
- Dambach UK Ltd
 - Siemens Traffic Controls
 - Variable Message Signs Ltd
- 1.3 During the tender period two of the three manufacturers (Siemens Traffic Controls and Variable Message Signs Ltd) declared their intention not to submit a tender. One tender was received from Dambach UK Ltd dated 25th October in the value of £190,652.75. Dambach UK Ltd has won all three previous competitive tenders for VMS supply and installation in Sefton, including the first phase of the Southport Town Centre parking signage described above.

2.0 RECOMMENDTION

- 2.1 It is recommended that approval be given to the acceptance of the Tender received from Dambach UK Ltd dated 25th October 2009 in the value of £190,652.75.
- 2.2 The Legal Director be requested to prepare a formal contract with the successful Tenderer.

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