



## REPORT

<b>SUBJECT:</b>	<b>A40/A466 WYEBRIDGE, MONMOUTH – PROPOSED JUNCTION IMPROVEMENT</b>
<b>MEETING:</b>	<b>SINGLE MEMBER CABINET DECISION</b>
<b>DATE:</b>	TBA
<b>DIVISION/WARDS AFFECTED:</b>	All Monmouth Wards

### NON-PUBLICATION

(Delete or Insert appropriate non-publication paragraph if necessary and process Background Information sheet and Exemption from Disclosure form)

#### 1. PURPOSE:

1.1 To approve the continuing appointment of consulting engineers to develop the scheme further.

#### 2. RECOMMENDATIONS:

2.1 That the appointment of consulting engineers be approved.

#### 3. KEY ISSUES:

3.1 Consulting engineers Parsons Brinkerhoff (now known as WSP/Parsons Brinkerhoff) were appointed to develop stages 1 and 2 of the scheme in accordance with the South East Wales Framework Agreement appertaining at the time. This essentially included a feasibility study, environmental studies, site investigation works and construction methodology considerations.

- 3.2 Welsh Government has awarded the council Local Transport Funding for 2017-18 to develop the scheme to detailed design.
- 3.3 The council has recently adopted the National Procurement Scheme for Wales for the procurement of consultancy services. WSP/Parsons Brinkerhoff's rates compare favorably with other consultants rates on the NPS framework. In addition WSP/Parsons Brinkerhoff have acquired considerable knowledge of the particular issues posed by this scheme which would be lost if other consultants were appointed at this stage.
- 3.4 It is therefore recommended that WSP/Parsons Brinkerhoff be appointed to progress stage 3 of this scheme.

#### **4. REASONS:**

- 4.1 To obtain committee approval to appoint consultant engineers to progress the next stage of this scheme.

#### **5. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:**

- 5.1 Scheme development will be undertaken by consulting engineers utilizing funding awarded by Welsh Government. Liaison and overseeing consultants progress will be undertaken within existing highways staffing budgets.

#### **6. SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AND EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS:**

- 6.1 No equality issues are identified.
- 6.2 No significant sustainable development issues are identified.

#### **7. CONSULTEES:**

Corporate Management Team  
All Cabinet Members  
All Select Committee Chairmen  
Head of Legal Services

Head of Finance

## **Results of Consultation**

**(Insert responses ie. No comments received/ No adverse comments received/Comments incorporated within body of the report/Comment received from specific Officer/Councillor) as follows:**

### **8. BACKGROUND PAPERS:**

WSP/Parsons Brinkerhoff email dated 5<sup>th</sup> January 2017  
NSP for Wales framework rates for consultancy services

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