

Report To: Environment & Regeneration Committee **Date:** 3 May 2018

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Subject: Environmental & Commercial Services (Roads) – SPT Grant Funded Projects (2018/19)

1.0 PURPOSE

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to advise the Committee of the SPT approved Grant Funded Projects for 2018/19.

2.0 SUMMARY

- 2.1 SPT grant funded projects for Environmental and Commercial Services (Roads) are as detailed in 5.1 below and are valued at £1.6m.
- 2.2 Payment of the funding will be by grant made in arrears on the basis of evidenced expenditure.
- 2.3 The programme does not include roads infrastructure projects associated with the School Re-provisioning Programme which will be funded through the Education and Communities budget.

3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 That the Committee note the SPT approved capital grant to Inverclyde Council and associated projects as detailed below in paragraph 5.1 for 2018/19.

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4.0 BACKGROUND

- 4.1 At its meeting of the full Partnership on Friday 2 February 2018, Strathclyde Partnership for Transport approved grant funding for projects as detailed in 5.1 below to a total value of £1.6m.
- 4.2 The projects in 5.1 below embrace and support the policies of the Local Transport Strategy and the SPT Transport Outcomes Report 2018/19 as presented to the Alliance Board.
- 4.3 All project costs are inclusive of fees.
- 4.4 Payment of the funding will be by grant made in arrears on the basis of evidenced expenditure and all relevant expenditure must be incurred during 2018/19.
- 4.5 The programme does not include roads infrastructure projects associated with the School Re-provisioning Programme which will be funded through the Education and Communities budget.
- 4.6 All ongoing maintenance costs associated with these works will be contained within existing Revenue budgets.

5.0 PROPOSALS

- 5.1 SPT Grant Funded projects for 2018/19 to a total value of £1.6m:

<u>Project</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>(£000s)</u>
A770 Lunderston Bay Bus Stops and Shelters (construction)	75
Baker's Brae Route Improvements (construction)	500
Bus Route Access Improvements - Chapleton Bridge (construction)	650
Gibshill Road Junction Improvements (design)	25
Greenock Town Centre Improvements (feasibility/design/construction)	150
Port Glasgow Access Improvements (feasibility/design/construction)	150
Quality Bus Corridor Improvements (design & construction)	50
<u>Total Programme</u>	<u>1,600</u>

- 5.2 The above projects will mostly be managed, supervised and, where appropriate, constructed by Environmental and Commercial Services (Roads). The contribution to Bakers Brae will be managed through Ri as client on behalf of the Council for the road realignment.

6.0 IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 Finance:

One-off costs:

Cost Centre	Budget Heading	Budget Years	Proposed spend this report (£000s)	Virement from	Other comments
Roads Capital Programme	SPT Grant Funding	2018/19	1,600	n/a	Payment of the funding will be by grant made in arrears on the basis of evidenced expenditure
Capital Grant	SPT Grant Income	2018/19	(1,600)	n/a	

Annually recurring costs:

Cost Centre	Budget Heading	With Effect From	Annual Nett Impact (£000s)	Virement from	Other comments
n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	

Legal

6.2 There are no legal implications arising from this report.

Human Resources

6.3 There are no specific HR implications arising from this report.

Equalities

6.4 The further development of the Quality Bus Corridor and Bus Stops and Shelters provides a variety of improvements to the roads infrastructure which benefit a number of groups within the community including the elderly, the infirm, the disabled and parents with prams/buggies. Bus access improvements at Chapleton Bridge and Gibshill Road junction, will improve bus access to the road network and improve road safety. The realignment of Baker's Brae will improve access to the network for all road users. The Port Glasgow and Greenock Town Centre Improvements will contribute to economic regeneration and hence the creation of local employment.

Repopulation

6.5 The provision of improved infrastructure associated with the local bus network will contribute to the overall appeal of Inverclyde as a preferred place to reside.

7.0 CONSULTATIONS

7.1 The Chief Financial Officer has been consulted on this report.

7.2 The Head of Legal and Property Services has been consulted on this report.

8.0 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

8.1 None.