

HAMBLETON DISTRICT COUNCIL

Report To: Cabinet
19 March 2013

Subject: HIGHWAY ADOPTION WORKS AT NORTHALLERTON AND STOKESLEY
All Wards
Portfolio Holder for Corporate Services: Councillor Brian Phillips

1.0 PURPOSE AND BACKGROUND:

- 1.1 To seek additional funding of £83,500 for the completion of highway adoption works at Thurston Road, Northallerton Business Park and Ellerbeck Court, Stokesley Business Park.
- 1.2 Reports to Cabinet were approved on 20 March 2012 to progress adoption works to bring Thurston Road highway and sewerage together with Ellerbeck Court highway infrastructure up to a standard to enable adoption by North Yorkshire County Council and Yorkshire Water.
- 1.3 Works have been successfully completed to the Thurston Road sewerage system at a cost of £62,750 and this is now fully adopted by Yorkshire Water. This is some £6,250 below the reported anticipated costs of £69,000.
- 1.4 The completion of the sewerage adoptions at both business parks has enabled the undertaking of joint inspections with North Yorkshire County Council to determine the extent of works required to complete the highway works. Recommended allocations of £61,000 and £49,000 respectively for Thurston Road and Ellerbeck Court were previously reported. On completion of the inspections and a subsequent meeting to discuss the extent of works the cost of the required works has now increased to £129,950 and £60,000 respectively together with an informed additional NYCC inspection fee of £9,800 for Ellerbeck Court in respect of adoption agreement requirements.
- 1.4 In terms of the details of the additional funding required a comparison summary is as follows:-

	Reported at March 2012 Cabinet £	Revised Costings February 2013 £	
Thurston Rd Sewerage works	69,000	62,750	(Works completed)
Thurston Rd Highway works	61,000	129,950	
Ellerbeck Court Highway works	49,000	60,000	
Ellerbeck Court Inspection fees		9,800	
Total Capital Works	179,000	262,500	(Additional £83,500 funding required)

2.0 **PROPOSALS:**

2.1 To recommend approval for a further £83,500 funding from the Capital Programme in order to complete the highway adoption works and ratify the transfer of Thurston Road, Northallerton and Ellerbeck Court, Stokesley to North Yorkshire County Council, the highway authority.

3.0 **LINK TO COUNCIL PRIORITIES:**

3.1 The present revenue expenditure is relatively low, however, in the interest of Council efficiencies as the infrastructure deteriorates there will be a requirement for an increasing allocation of revenue and capital expenditure to undertake maintenance repairs. On adoption of the highway all liabilities for revenue and potential capital expenditures will be removed.

4.0 **RISK ASSESSMENT:**

4.1 The key risks are:-

Risk	Implication	Prob*	Imp*	Total	Preventative action
Deterioration of the highway infrastructure into unsafe or non-functioning condition due to inappropriate levels of revenue and capital expenditure	Asset condition will deteriorate and claims from users coupled with associated reputation consequences.	4	3	12	Allocate appropriate level of revenue and capital expenditure to maintain asset condition. This will be required on a repeating cyclical basis whilst HDC retains ownership of the infrastructure

Prob = Probability, Imp = Impact, Score range is Low = 1, High = 5

5.0 **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

5.1 In terms of Capital Expenditure provision to be made for expenditure on the remaining highway adoption works and associated fees, the details are as follows:-

Capital Expenditure	2013/14 £	2014/15 £	2015/16 £	2016/17 £
Cost of ... Thurston Rd adoption works	<u>129,950</u>	-	-	-
Ellerbeck Crt adoption works	<u>69,800</u>			
Financed by:				
Capital Programme	<u>199,750</u>	-	-	-
Original Allocation	116,250			
Additonal Funds Required	83,500			
	<u>199,750</u>	-	-	-

6.0 **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:**

6.1 The associated Section 38 adoption procedures and agreements will be ratified for Thurston Road together with a Section 37 agreement for the transfer of responsibilities for Ellerbeck Court.

7.0 RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 7.1 It is recommended that authorisation is given for an additional capital funding of £83,500 to be allocated for the completion of highway adoption works at Thurston Road, Northallerton and Ellerbeck Court, Stokesley taking the full capital allocation for completion of the works during financial year 2013/14 to £199,750.

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