

Appendix 1**M1 Junction 37 - Economic Growth Corridor – Phase 1.****Background**

In 2016, Sheffield City approved in principle the outline business case for the M1 Junction 37 Economic Growth Corridor and SCRIF resources of £11,808,000 (subject to full business case approval). This was made up of £8.4m to fund six individual offsite highway mitigations, one of which included the highway improvement to the A628 Dodworth Road / Pogmoor Road crossroads. The remainder £3.4m was earmarked to contribute towards the onsite viability works required on the local plan proposed mixed use site reference MU1.

The current highway capacity constraints at the A628 Dodworth Road / Pogmoor Road crossroads, the level of traffic generated from planning permissions granted and planning applications submitted for consideration, along with those enquiries that are resulting in pre-planning enquiries mean that without highways mitigations being delivered in the near future, the development sites at J37 Capitol Close will not be delivered to full capacity, along with any other future development (including other existing employment sites around the Capitol Park vicinity) with a potential impact on the crossroads also being unable to come forward.

To mitigate the risk of Barnsley MBC refusing development, together with losing the employment opportunities that effectively contribute to Sheffield City Region's Strategic Economic Plan (SEP) and Integrated Investment Plan (IIP), it was agreed with Sheffield City Region, to progress a standalone business case for the highway improvements required at A628 Dodworth Road/ Pogmoor Road crossroads. This has been progressed through the appraisal process and for the purposes of securing the SCRIF funding known as 'M1 Junction 37 - Economic Growth Corridor – Phase 1'.

Current situation

The M1 Junction 37 - Economic Growth Corridor – Phase 1' full business case, seeking £1.171m SCRIF resources was approved by Sheffield City Region in 2018, and negotiations are ongoing in relation to the SCR Funding Agreement conditions attached to the grant, which is also subject to securing planning permission for the scheme. .

In July 2018, a report was presented to cabinet(Cab.25.7.2018/14) to:

- consider the options and outline the preferred solution to address congestion on the A628 Dodworth Road / Broadway Junction, between the town centre and M1 Junction 37,
- to seek approval to:
 - undertake all statutory procedures required to deliver the scheme
 - outline the impact of the proposed scheme on the public open space, and the options proposed to address such;
 - to consider whether to appropriate land from public open space purposes to highway purpose

- to enter into negotiations with Sheffield City Region regarding the SCRIF funding Agreement for a contribution of £1.171m towards the delivery of highway improvement scheme (subject to planning approval)

This report also outlined the approved funding sources to deliver the scheme:

£2,181,138.00	2020 Future Council Priorities
£1,171,000.00	Sheffield City Region Investment Fund (SCRIF)
£1,000,000.00	Sheffield City Region

The funding, subject to all necessary approvals, will be used to deliver a new signalised gyratory roundabout with improvements to the existing Dodworth Road/Broadway/Pogmoor Road junction and re-configuration of Penny Pie Park

On the 18th December 2018, Barnsley Council's Planning Regulatory Board resolved to grant a planning application (Application no. - 2018/0965), see below to make improvements to the A628 Dodworth Road, Broadway junction.

On the 10th January 2019, the Secretary of State exercised his powers under Article 31 of the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015, and directed the Council not to grant permission on this application without specific authorisation. This direction was issued to enable him to consider whether he should direct under Section 77 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 that the application should be referred to him for determination.

On the 15th February 2019, Barnsley MBC were notified that the Article 31 Direction issued pursuant to the Secretary of State's letter of 10 January 2019 has been withdrawn and on Monday 18th February the Council approved the scheme subject to conditions.



Next Steps:

Subject to all necessary approvals, the council will :

- Continue detailed design work required to progress the scheme to delivery stage
- Undertake consultation and if no relevant objections to the consultation are received, appropriate the land required for highway purposes.
- Promote any statutory orders and enter into negotiations for any agreements that may be required to deal with any changes to the existing highways and any private means of access that will be affected by the proposed scheme
- Consult with and involve users of the park to contribute to the redevelopment of the features of the park.
- Consider delivery of the works under the terms of the Barnsley Contract Procedure rules to ensure that the works are delivered successfully ensuring best value for money in terms of cost, quality of work and actual delivery timescales to maximise expenditure.
- Consideration will be given as to whether the works, services or goods can be provided in-house, subject to value for money considerations or whether it is necessary to seek tenders for any aspect of the project and appoint the successful tender on the basis of most economically advantageous bid. If the latter, the procurement of the works will be via the YORCIVILS framework contract which has already been established and complies with OJEU regulations. This option was used successfully for the delivery of the SCRIF funded Highway Improvement scheme at M1 J36 Hoyland.