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To: Environment, Highways & Waste Cabinet Committee

Date: 11th September 2014

Subject: Ramsgate Road, Sandwich between Discovery Park and Willowbank -

Classification: Unrestricted

Summary:

This report gives an update on the previously presented report of 10/7/14 which shows further tweaks of the plan responding to Parish Council requests and feedback from the public consultation.

1.0 Introduction

This scheme was approved at the last JTB held on the 10/7/14 subject to no objections being received from the public consultation. The report is being brought back to you with a list highlighting the responses to the public consultation and the steps taken to address any concerns.

The developers of the Willowbank development were obligated through a Section 106 agreement to carry out a very similar scheme to that being progressed under the Local Sustainable Transport Fund (LSTF). The scheme promoted under the LSTF will incorporate a better class of materials and a more inclusive design than that offered by the developers. As a result the developers have allowed DDC to keep the original Section 106 money which amounts to the following: £62,584.90 including accrued interest.

The breakdown of the spend in accordance with the Section 106 Agreement is as follows:

£35,000 traffic management works in Sandwich town centre and/or the A256/A257 roundabout (*still to used in this regard but KCC now to deliver*)

£500 towards admin costs of changing the 40 mph speed limit on Ramsgate Road to a 30mph speed limit (*to be carried out by KCC as part of the LSTF scheme*)

£1,000 towards monitoring vehicle speeds along Ramsgate Road six months after implementation of the 30mph speed limit (*to be carried out by KCC as part of the LSTF scheme*)

£10,000 towards implementing further speed reduction measures on Ramsgate Road... (to be carried out by KCC as part of the LSTF scheme)

£2,000 towards monitoring traffic queues and signal timings on Sandwich Toll Bridge & reconfiguring signal settings. (to be carried out by KCC)

In addition they have offered a further £50k to be spent within the Sandwich area at the discretion of the District and Parish Council. This spend will still need to be CIL compliant, i.e.

- necessary to make the development acceptable in planning terms
- directly related to the development; and
- fairly and reasonably related in scale and kind to the development

DDC Legal and KCC Legal and the legal representatives of the developer are working on the variation of the Section 106 Agreement.

2.0 The Changes

- **The parking lay-by is to be removed from the scheme.**
- **Double yellow lines will be provided on both sides of the Ramsgate Road between Willowbank and Monks Way**
- **Chain link fence at approximately 900m height to be provided at the back edge of the verge/path to commence where vegetation is less dense (about 40m north of footpath leading to Stonar Close over the ditch) to Sandwich Industrial Estate Roa**
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- **Litter bins and seating can be provided however I cannot put them in without either the District or the Parish accepting liability for future maintenance. This is still being discussed between the two authorities.**

3.0 Finance

All costs are covered by Local Sustainable Transport Fund and Section 106 Funds.

4.0 Consultation

Public consultation completed. Outcomes attached.

5.0 Recommendation

That Members recommend the scheme is proceeded with.

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