Transport Capital Programme 2022/23

APPENDIX B

1. **Maintenance Block** – funding to maintain the highway network including structures and street lighting. Until we receive confirmation on funding levels from TVCA the programme is based on previous years' levels of funding.

Department for Transport Allocation	£'000
Bridge structural maintenance	212
Highway structural maintenance	637
Incentive funding	241
Fees	116
Sub Total	1,206
Pothole and Challenge Fund 2022/23	969
Total	2,175

- 2. The following maintenance schemes have been identified as the priority based on the condition data surveys. This is a rolling programme and subject to tender returns:
 - (a) Swan House roundabout
 - (b) Rotary Way to A1 outbound dual carriageway
 - (c) Faverdale
 - (d) Newbiggin Lane a recycling scheme using reclaimed tar bound planings from other schemes
- 3. In addition priority footpath schemes will be identified and the micro asphalt and patching programmes will include roads across the borough. This continues the investment in unclassified roads, which are predominantly residential streets.

Integrated Transport Block - funding to Manage and Improve the highway network

Manage/	Scheme	2022/23 (£k)	Notes
Improve	Notu		
		ork management	
Manage	North West Growth Zone Corridor - A68	250**	£805k** LTP + £100k section 106 funding is already secured. The scheme is being progressed to be 'shovel ready'.
	Traffic monitoring	20	
	Traffic counter	20	
	replacement programme		
	Sustainabl	e and public transpor	t
Improve	Improvements to bus passenger and cycle facilities	50	Includes raised kerbs, bus shelters and cycle parking
Improve	Dropped kerbs	80	Improves access for all, includes a scheme for Milbank Road
Improve	Public Rights Of Way	35	Improves access for all including £25k for Patches Lane bridleway improvements in partnership with Brightwater
Improve	Walking and cycling route in Middleton St George between Yarm Road and Mill Lane	30	Improves access for all and supports the delivery of the 26 mile S&DR route - additional funding for a bridge
	Speed Managemer	nt and Road Safety pro	ogramme
Manage	School speed management and safety schemes	200	Schemes for Abbey Federation, St Augustine's, St Bede's and Reid Street Primary
	speed management schemes	40	Bonomi Way/Whessoe Road roundabout; village gateways
	VMS signs for speed management	50	Sites to be identified through speed and accident data
Sub total		775	
Fees		118	
Total		893	

** In January 2020 an Expression of Interest was submitted to the Department for Transport's Pinch Point Fund to implement a programme of improvements on the A68 corridor.

- 4. In March 2020 Darlington Council's Cabinet agreed to underwrite the local contribution element required by the Department for Transport for the bid for Pinch Point Funding, on the basis that other funding sources may become available over the next 12-36 months and, if the bid was successful, the most appropriate source of funding would be utilised at the time. If the bid was unsuccessful the available local funding would be used to start implementing the A68 corridor pinch point improvements. This funding is to build up funding for the scheme as either match or delivery money. This will not be sufficient to deliver the scheme in 2021/22 unless other bids are successful.
- 5. The Department for Transport has now announced that the Pinch Point funding will be added to the Levelling Up Fund and Darlington and TVCA will need to work together to secure funding from this new fund. The A68 is also a bus corridor and the Whole Route Improvement Plan identifies the roundabouts in Cockerton and Woodland Road/Staindrop as key elements to deliver traffic management benefits. The A68 is also an LCWIP corridor delivering a high quality cycle route from West Park to the town centre via Cockerton. Consultation is underway on the schemes. All the responses will be considered and the scheme design reviewed before further consultation and consideration of the submission of a planning application. Subject to the necessary approvals, the City Region Sustainable Transport Settlement may therefore also provide part of the funding for these schemes.