

Decision Maker: Council

Date: 4th July 2011

Decision Type: Non-Urgent Executive Key

Title: CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2011/12 - REVISION

Contact Officer: Lynn Hill, Democratic Services Officer
Tel: 020 8461 7700 Tel No E-mail: lynn.hill@bromley.gov.uk

Chief Officer: Mark Bowen, Director of Resources

Ward: N/A

1. Reason for report

The Executive at its meeting on 22nd June 2011 received a report on the results of tenders received for the procurement of a replacement road bridge at Chislehurst Road. In view of the costs involved it is necessary to seek the approval of Council for formal inclusion of the scheme in the current Capital Programme.

2. **RECOMMENDATION**

Council is recommended to approve the inclusion of the Scheme for the replacement Chislehurst Road Bridge at an estimated cost of £4,114,000 in the Capital Programme 2011/12.

Corporate Policy

1. Policy Status: Existing policy.
 2. BBB Priority: Quality Environment.
-

Financial

1. Cost of proposal: Estimated cost £4.114
 2. Ongoing costs: Non-recurring cost.
 3. Budget head/performance centre: Approved Capital Programme
 4. Total current budget for this head: £2.190
 5. Source of funding: TfL funding
-

Staff

1. Number of staff (current and additional): 3 fte
 2. If from existing staff resources, number of staff hours: 3 fte
-

Legal

1. Legal Requirement: Statutory requirement.
 2. Call-in: Call-in is not applicable.
-

Customer Impact

1. Estimated number of users/beneficiaries (current and projected): Affects a main North/South route and will impact on significant numbers of local residents, business and visitors.
-

Ward Councillor Views

1. Have Ward Councillors been asked for comments? Yes.
2. Summary of Ward Councillors comments: Covered in previous report to Executive

3. COMMENTARY

Chislehurst Road Bridge is a weak bridge and has been weight restricted since March 2009. The Executive at its meeting on 29th September 2010 approved the replacement of the bridge, on the grounds of safety to the travelling public and the disruption caused by the current diversion arrangements, subject to the costs being fully funded by Transport for London (TfL). Network rail is a key stakeholder and their approval to the scheme has also been obtained.

The report to the Executive meeting on 22nd June 2011 sets out the process for obtaining tenders for the work, the type of contract and the evaluations and assessments undertaken which lead to the Executive awarding the contract to the successful company. However, as the value of the contract exceeds £1m it is necessary to seek formal Council approval for the scheme to be included in the current Capital Programme.

When the report to the recent Executive meeting was issued confirmation was awaited from TfL that the full costs would be funded via capital grant. The Head of Finance has since received confirmation that full funding will be made available to cover the costs of this scheme.

4. POLICY IMPLICATIONS

The Borough's highway assets including bridge structures have a high profile and are used by most residents and businesses on a daily basis. Helping to protect the integrity of Chislehurst Road Bridge and making the structure available for use will contribute to the Council's vision of providing a place where people choose to live and do business and links well with policy priorities of a Quality Environment – Improving the Street Scene and Improving Transportation.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The total estimated cost of the Scheme to replace Chislehurst Road Bridge is £4.114m which will be fully funded by TfL, including £100,000 each year from LIP formula funding in 2011/12 and 12/13.

In view of the significant cost of this scheme it is necessary to seek the formal approval of the Council to amend the agreed Capital Programme for 2011/12.

Non-Applicable Sections:	Personnel and Legal
Background Documents: (Access via Contact Officer)	Report to Executive meeting 29 th September 2010