

**ENVIRONMENT AND TRANSPORT OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
MEETING: 6 JUNE 2019**

**NORTH AND EAST MELTON MOWBRAY DISTRIBUTOR ROAD - PLANNING
APPLICATION**

DRAFT MINUTE EXTRACT

The Committee considered a report of the Director of Environment and Transport updating them on planning approval of the North and East Melton Mowbray Distributor Road and issues surrounding the risk sharing agreement with Melton Borough Council and developer contributions. A copy of the report, marked 'Agenda Item 13' is filed with these minutes.

Arising from the discussion the following points were noted:

- i) The planning application for the North and East Melton Mowbray Distributor Road had been approved, subject to conditions, by the Development Control and Regulatory Board on 23 May 2019.
- ii) Leicestershire County Council were forward funding £14million of the £63.5million expected scheme costs, £49.5million would be covered by an award from the Department for Transport from the Large Local Majors Fund subject to submission of the Full Business Case and approval by the DfT, expected spring 2020. By forward funding the scheme the County Council would be able to deliver the road with significant savings while also significantly accelerating the delivery of the road.
- iii) Concern was raised over the possibility that the Council would not recoup the forward funded element of the scheme due to a number of issues such as potential viability challenges or failure of developments to come forward.
- iv) Members were reassured that section 106 monies were already being collected towards the road and that the Council had secured over £7million of S106 money already. In addition upfront provision of infrastructure would reduce the risk of development not coming forward. Whilst recognising the risk, the Council was reasonably confident that the remaining S106 money would be secured. Any remaining risk would be mitigated through a risk sharing agreement with Melton Borough Council.

RESOLVED:

That the comments of the Committee be forwarded onto Cabinet for consideration at its meeting on 25 June 2019.

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