

HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORT OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE - 6 MARCH 2025

ENVIRONMENT AND TRANSPORT 2025/26 HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION CAPITAL PROGRAMME AND WORKS PROGRAMME

MINUTE EXTRACT

Environment and Transport Department 2025/26 Highways and Transportation Capital Programme and Works Programme

The Committee considered a report of the Director of Environment and Transport regarding the development of the Environment and Transport Department 2025/26 Highways and Transportation Capital Programme and Works Programme. A copy of the report, marked 'Agenda Item 9', is filed with these minutes.

A member raised concerns that the Programmes were not supported by sufficient funding from central government and as a result the quality of Leicestershire's Highways would decrease. In response the Director acknowledged this concern and explained that she regularly raised the point with the Department for Transport (DFT) when she attended meetings with them. The DFT in turn recognised the severity of the situation and submitted evidence to the Treasury to help make the case for more funding for highways and transport. The Director also attended meetings with the Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government regarding local government funding more generally.

RESOLVED:

- (a) That the development of the Environment and Transport Department 2025/26 Highways and Transportation Capital Programme and Works Programme be noted;
- (b) That the comments now made be forwarded to Cabinet for consideration at its meeting on 18 March 2025.

