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SUBJECT:	HIGHWAYS ENGLAND A38 DERBY JUNCTIONS SCHEME – STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY CONSULTATION	REF:
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	ALL	TERMS OF REFERENCE: EDS17

1.0 Recommendations

1.1 That the response to the Highways England consultation on the A38 Derby Junctions Scheme - Statement of Community Consultation, determined by the Chair and Vice Chair of this Committee on behalf of this Committee, be noted.

2.0 Purpose of Report

2.1 To inform the Committee of the Council's response to the Highways England (HE) consultation on the A38 Derby Junctions Scheme - Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) determined by the Chair and Vice Chair of this Committee on behalf of this Committee.

3.0 Detail

3.1 Earlier this year, HE announced its "preferred route" for the A38 Derby Junctions Scheme. The scheme is classified as a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project under the Planning Act 2008, which requires that the applicant publish a SoCC setting out and inviting responses to proposed consultation techniques and methods. Owing to the short statutory timescale for this consultation it was resolved at the meeting of this Committee on 19th April 2018 that authority to determine a resolution to this consultation be delegated to the Chair and Vice Chair of this Committee (minute EDS/116 refers).

4.0 Conclusions

4.1 The resolution in response to the consultation, determined by the Chair and Vice Chair of this Committee, is included at Annexe A of this report.

5.0 Financial Implications

5.1 There are no direct financial implications for the Council.

6.0 Corporate Implications

6.1 The A38 Derby Junctions Scheme has implications for the following key aims of the Corporate Plan:

- “Facilitate and deliver a range of integrated and sustainable housing and community infrastructure”. The build-out of the entirety of Local Plan Part 1 housing allocation H19 “Land West of Mickleover” is dependent upon the completion of the proposed works to the A38 junctions, in particular the Kingsway junction, to address highway capacity constraints.
- “Help to influence and develop the infrastructure for economic growth” and “work to attract further inward investment”. The accessibility of the District is a key consideration for business investors and the alleviation of traffic congestion through the implementation of this scheme will therefore be important to the future success of the local economy.

7.0 Community Implications

7.1 The A38 Derby Junctions Scheme has implications for the following theme of the Sustainable Community Strategy:

- “Sustainable development”: Motorised transport that utilises the internal combustion engine can create noise and air pollution, but improvements to accessibility can enable development and provide economic and employment benefits.

8.0 Background Papers

“A38 Derby Junctions – Preferred Route Announcement”

Highways England, 2018

“It is requested that:

- (i) the parish councils in the A38 corridor within South Derbyshire, these being Burnaston, Egginton, Etwall, Findern and Willington, be included as consultees, to be written to inviting feedback;*
- (ii) the consultation documents be made available for inspection at Etwall Library and that*
- (iii) South Derbyshire District Council be kept informed of the activities of the stakeholder working group through invitations to meetings and provision of meeting minutes.*

This would reflect the fact that, although the scheme will take place entirely within Derby City, these parish councils would be likely to be the most affected within South Derbyshire in terms of impacts on trips being made both during and after construction. Placing the consultation documents in Etwall Library would provide those living within the above mentioned parishes the opportunity to view and respond to the details, were they unable to access the material online. Including South Derbyshire District Council as an invitee to the stakeholder working group and as a recipient of meeting minutes would allow the Council to keep abreast of and influence developments in regard to these strategically significant proposals.”