

**OFFICER DELEGATION SCHEME  
RECORD OF OPERATIONAL DECISION**



**TO BE UPLOADED TO THE E-MEETINGS MANAGER**

<b>Date:</b> November 2023	<b>Ref No:</b> 984
<b>Type of Operational Decision:</b>	
<b>Executive Decision</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Council Decision</b> <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Status:</b> For publication	
<b>Title/Subject matter:</b> Bury Bolton Railway Path	
<b>Budget/Strategy/Policy/Compliance</b> – Is the decision:	
(i) within an Approved Budget	Yes
(ii) not in conflict with Council Policy	Yes
(iii) not raising new issues of Policy	Yes
<b>Equality Impact Assessment</b> [Does this decision change policy, procedure or working practice or negatively impact on a group of people? <b>If yes</b> – complete EIA and summarise issues identified and recommendations – forward EIA to Corporate HR]	No
<b>Details of Operational Decision Taken:</b>	
<p>To authorise use of approx. £15,000 of s106 funding to prepare tender documentation to enable letting of a contract for the construction of two small sections of the Bury Bolton Railway Path. Authorisation for the letting of the construction contract, estimated to be c.£150,000, will be sought when prices are tendered.</p> <p>The conversion of the former railway between Bury and Bolton to a shared use path is a long-standing proposal of the Unitary Development Plan. The proposal has been implemented in stages as opportunities have arisen. A continuous route exists in Bolton and the construction of two short sections of new path will provide continuity in Bury. Realisation of the entire route has been protracted chiefly because of land ownership issues, which in the case of the remaining two sections of path, have been overcome through a bridleway creation order. The two sections are</p>	

located on the attached plan.

Since the adoption of the UDP, four residential developments along or near the route have been granted planning permission subject to s106 contributions towards route construction. It is proposed to use these contributions to fund the current scheme. The four contributions are:

Extension of Daisyfield Cycleway £100,000 LPS0018

Footpath improvements at Elton Reservoir £20,000 LPS0023

Daisyfield Cycleway improvement £50,000 LPS0136

Bradley Fold Cycle Path (Moss Shaw) £70,000 LPS0137

The design fees and construction costs will be taken proportionately from these four contributions.

<b>Decision taken by:</b>	<b>Signature:</b>	<b>Date:</b>
Director or Chief/Senior Officer		16/11/23
<b>Members Consulted [see note 1 below]</b>		
Cabinet Member/Chair		
Lead Member		
Opposition Spokesperson		
<b>Notes</b>		
<p>1. It is not generally a requirement to consult with any Members on Operational Decisions but where a Chief Officer considers it necessary to consult with the appropriate Cabinet Member and/or Lead Member, they must sign the form so as to confirm that they have been consulted and that they agree with the proposed action. The signature of the Opposition Spokesperson should be obtained to confirm that he/she has been consulted.</p> <p>2. <b>This form must not be used for urgent decisions.</b></p>		