

OFFICER DELEGATION SCHEME RECORD OF DECISION

Date:	17 th June 2026	Ref No:	PLACE OPS 1308
Responsible Officer:	Ian Appleton Principal Engineer (Asset Management)		
Title/Subject matter:	Resurfacing Rochdale Old Road, Willow Street to Forth Avenue, Bury		
Budget/Strategy/Policy/Compliance:			
(i) Is the decision within an Approved Budget?	Yes		
(ii) Is the decision in conflict with the Council's policies, strategies or relevant service plans?	No		
(iii) Does the decision amend existing or raise new policy issues?	No		
Is publication still required? (see guidance)	Yes		

Item for decision: *[with reasons]*

Background

The Highways Capital Programme 2023/24 to 2026/27, which included schemes funded from our Highways Investment Strategy – Tranche 3 (HIS3) and 2023/27 CRSTS were approved at Cabinet (item 156) on 15th March 2023, will be due for completion during the summer 2026.

The Council has agreed to invest a further £4 million, to carry out additional carriageway resurfacing, HIS 4 and will need to have suitable streets identified, ranked, estimated and again approved by Cabinet.

The list of streets to be presented are still being analysed for condition ranking, etc and will not be finalised and approved by Cabinet until at least the end of July. They then require 12 weeks notice for a Section 58 protection permit to be in place, therefore, potentially no new works can start until October 2026 at the earliest.

Rochdale Old Road, Bury from Willow Street to Forth Avenue would be included in the full list of streets to be presented for approval, as its overall condition and proximity to Fairfield Hospital will rank it high enough. The estimated costs to resurface this length of street is £ 380,000.

Resurfacing works of this nature and at such locations are best completed during the summer school holidays utilising the longer daylight hours, reduced traffic flows and contractor availability. Also, a further pressure on the Network at this location is the construction works starting on the Haweswater Aqueduct Replacement Project, HARP in October. This will use Rochdale Old Road as the main access route to one of their compounds on Castle Hill Road subjecting an already defective road surface to increased use by heavy vehicles for years to come.

Therefore, we would like to complete these works during evening/nighttime closures in August, funding the works from the £4 million HIS 4 budget. We have already submitted our application for a Section 58 protection permit to proceed with the resurfacing works in August, which can be cancelled at any time. However, to proceed further will require delegated powers from the Cabinet Member.

Decision

To proceed with progressing this section of Rochdale Old Road between Willow Street and Forth Avenue for resurfacing and awarding the works to Bury Council's preferred bidders from the Greater Manchester Highways Alliance Framework, at an estimated cost of £ 380,000 from the £4 million HIS 4 budget to:

LOT3 Works – Carriageway Surfacing

J Hopkins Ltd,
Monde Trading Estate
Westinghouse Road
Trafford Park M17 1LP

LOT4 Works – Road Markings

W J North Limited,
7 Brock Way
Knutton
Newcastle-under-Lyme
Staffs ST5 6AZ

Decision made by:	Signature:	Date:
Executive Director:		09/07/26
Advised by HR Business Partner		
Advised by Finance Business Partner		1/7/26
Chief Officer graded roles: Assistant Director of HR		
Chief Officer graded roles: Advised by Assistant Director Finance / Chief Accountant		
Member Consulted (only if applicable) [see note 4 below]		09/07/26

Notes

1. In most cases a single signature is required in accordance with the Table below.
2. The form must be published if expenditure is over £100K. However, this must be after all the required contract documentation has been completed. This is to avoid publishing exempt confidential information.
3. A report to Cabinet must be made if expenditure is over £500K.
4. In a small number of cases in accordance with the requirements of the Officer Delegation Scheme, consultation is required from the appropriate Cabinet Member who must sign the form to confirm that they have been consulted and that they agree with the proposed action. Please refer to the Guidance.
5. This form must not be used for urgent decisions.
6. Where there is any doubt officers should always err on side of caution and seek advice from Democratic Services, the Monitoring Officer or Corporate Procurement where applicable.

EXPENDITURE APPROVAL TABLE

Approval Limit	Approval By
Over £500,000	Cabinet.
Over£250,000 to £500,000	Chief Executive
Over£100,000 to £250,000	Executive Director
Over £50,000 to £100,000	Director/Assistant Director
Over £10,000 to £50,000	Head of Service
Up to £10,000	Service Lead