## **Eco Impact Checklist**

Title of report: Bus Deal/Strategic Corridors Update

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## Anticipated date of key decision 02/05/2023

### Summary of proposals: 1.

- 1. To approve the receipt and expenditure of additional funding to deliver the development and submission to WECA of Business Cases for projects in the Strategic Corridors Programme, of up to £3.0m.
- 2. To seek approval of a revised approach to the delivery of the A37/A4018 corridor scheme to accelerate the project and deliver benefits earlier.

Will the proposal impact	Yes/	+ive or -ive	If Yes	
on	No		Briefly describe impact	Briefly describe Mitigation measures
Emission of Climate Changing Gases?	Y	+	We will be working with bus operators to provide higher quality buses including low emission vehicles. We aim to increase service provision and encourage more people to get the bus and rely less on single occupancy vehicles. A detailed review of emissions will be conducted on an individual project basis as they go through the cabinet process, with the councils carbon neutrality objectives in mind.	
Bristol's resilience to the effects of climate change?	Υ	+	By encouraging a move away from car usage to more sustainable transport. A detailed review of resilience will be conducted on an individual project basis as they go through the cabinet process.	
Consumption of non-renewable resources?	Υ	+/-	In the short term the use of diesel buses is likely to continue, but	Work with bus operators as the scheme develops and new deals are

			it will hopefully see a reduction in fuel usage from cars. A detailed review of consumption will be conducted on an individual project basis as they go through the cabinet process.	introduced to identify how we can support the change to low emission buses.
Production, recycling or disposal of waste	N		A detailed review of waste will be conducted on an individual project basis as they go through the cabinet process. Contractors will need to follow the waste hierarchy and create a waste management plan	
The appearance of the city?	Y	+	A clearer network on bus lanes and walking and cycling infrastructure with the aim to include public realm improvements	
Pollution to land, water, or air?	Y	+/-	The move to people using more sustainable transport methods is likely to be positive. There will be short term negative impacts, especially during construction. A detailed review of pollution will be conducted on an individual project basis as they go through the cabinet process.	Work with contractors to understand how we can minimise the impact during construction. Infrastructure construction projects will be subject to separate cabinet decisions and individual Eco IA will consider impacts here.
Wildlife and habitats?	?		This is unknown at this stage and will depend on scheme development. This will result in further cabinet reports, so	

	can be picked up at later stages. A detailed review of wildlife will be conducted on an individual project basis as they go through the cabinet process, and this will be in line with the ecological emergency goals.	
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#### Consulted with:

# Summary of impacts and Mitigation - to go into the main Cabinet/ Council Report

The significant impacts of this proposal are to set up a longer term relationship with bus operators to commence the development of projects that will encourage an increase in the use of more sustainable transport and reduce the reliance on single occupancy car use.

The proposals include the following measures to mitigate the impacts:

- Work with bus operators to encourage the change to low emission vehicles
- Identify delivery impacts through further cabinet reports

The net effects of the proposals will largely be assessed on an individual project level through future cabinet reports, however are likely to encourage use of low emission transport through improvements made to the network.

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