Committees: Dates: Corporate Projects Board for decision 15 October 2018 Projects Sub for decision 07 November 2018 Streets & Walkways Sub committee for decision 4<sup>th</sup> December 2018 Subject: Gateway 2: **Project Proposal** 55 Moorgate Section 278 Public realm Light and highway improvements **Unique Project Identifier:** 12028 Report of: For Decision Director of the Built Environment Public **Report Author:** Katie Adnams

### Recommendations

1. Next steps and		Approval track: 3. Light				
Requested decisions	Next Gateway: Gateway 5 - Authority to Start Work (Light)					
	decisions	Next Steps:				
		<ul> <li>A Section 278 agreement will be drafted and with the developer, to release funding for the</li> <li>Design development and stakeholder engatake place ahead of the Gateway 5 report.</li> </ul>			r the scheme. engagement \	
		Requested Decisions:				
		Members are as	sked to approve th	ne initiation of	this project.	
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2.	Resource requirements to reach next Gateway	Item	Reason	Funds/ Source of Funding	Cost (£)	
	Gateway	Staff time	Project management, detailed design, stakeholder engagement and	Section 278	£19,500	

		S278 agreement			
	Fees	Survey work	Section s.278	£8,000	
	Total			£27,500	
	Please note the	Section 278 fund	ding is pendin	ng.	
3. Governance	Spending Committee: Streets and Walkways Sub-Committee				
arrangements	Senior Responsible Officer: Melanie Charalambous				
Project Board: No					
	Due to the limited risk and known scope of the project, a Project Board is not required.		e project, a		

### **Project Summary**

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4. Context	<ul> <li>4.1 55 Moorgate is a development currently under construction on Moorgate and Coleman Street, adjacent to Nun Court. The development involves the renovation and two storey extension of the existing building to provide additional office and flexible retail/leisure space. The S106 agreement requires the developer to enter into a S278 agreement with the City, prior to commencing construction on the highways works, which include Nun Court and remedial repairs to the footway surrounding the development.</li> <li>4.2 The developer's proposals for Nun Court, adjacent to the development, offer a significant opportunity to address the impacts of the scheme by improving pedestrian permeability between Moorgate and Coleman Street. Nun Court is currently a rarely used cul-de-sac service road that offers little perceivable benefit to local users. The proposed arrangements would include enhancements to Coleman Street outside the development and the creation a new passageway from Nun Court to Moorgate, addressing footway capacity and pedestrian comfort. Such improvements to the public realm take into account the demands placed in the Moorgate area as a result of Crossrail, the predicted increase in working population in the Eastern Cluster and the Cultural Mile.</li> </ul>

## 5. Brief description of project

- 5.1 The project would include enhancements to Nun Court to enable an attractive new pedestrian link between Coleman Street and Moorgate. The project would additionally involve enhancements to Coleman Street outside the development's new entrance, as well as reconstruction of the footways outside the development on Moorgate in high-quality York stone paving to the City's specification. Please see appendix 1 for the proposed project scope.
- 5.2 Enhancements to Nun Court are proposed to involve York stone paving to create a continuous pedestrian surface from Coleman Street through to the new passageway created by the 55 Moorgate development. The design will be coordinated with the developer so that it is consistent in materials, and to ensure the full length of the passageway is step-free. Lighting improvements are also proposed.
- **5.3** Enhancements to Coleman Street directly outside the development's new entrance will be considered. This could involve a widening of the footway, relocation of parking bays and greening measures.
- **5.4** The project would also involve a review of the street furniture in close proximity to the development in an attempt to rationalise and/or declutter the streetscape in order to address pedestrian comfort and convenience.
- **5.5** Amendments to Nun Court's traffic management orders may be required and will be reviewed as part of the evaluation stage of the project.

# 6. Consequences if project not approved

- **6.1** There will be no mechanism through which the highway changes required to accommodate the new building can be delivered.
- **6.2** The developer will be in breach of their S106 covenant if they are unable to enter into a S278 agreement to enable highway improvement work unless the City waives or varies the covenant.
- **6.3** The City may need to fund any increases in maintenance liability costs made necessary by the development.
- **6.4** The City would miss the opportunity to adapt a seldom used cul-de-sac into a new pedestrian link.

## 7. SMART Project Objectives

The City Public Realm team will manage and deliver a high quality, accessible public realm and pedestrian environment in the proximity of the development (appendix 1). The project will be developed and implemented over 12 months. The implementation of the works will be coordinated with the development's construction programme.

8. Key Benefits	<ul> <li>8.1 Improved pedestrian movement in the City is expected as a result of the new pedestrian link created.</li> <li>8.2 An increased public perception of safety is expected due to improved lighting and high-quality materials used.</li> <li>8.3 Reduced pedestrian congestion outside the development is expected to result from improvements to Coleman Street.</li> <li>8.4 The developer's aspirations and requirements will be met, by ensuring the surrounding highways work is completed prior to occupation of the development.</li> </ul>	
9. Project category	4a. Fully reimbursable	
10. Project priority	B. Advisable	
11. Notable exclusions	None noted.	

### **Options Appraisal**

12. Overview of options	There are limited options given the need to provide a new pedestrian link as part of the approved development. Footways will be paved in the City's standard palette of materials for conservation areas (York stone paving and granite kerbs). The extent of the highway work is proposed in appendix 1 (excluding remedial works).
	The creation of a pedestrian route between Coleman Street and Moorgate will be delivered through the enhancement of Nun court, in coordination with the new passage to be implemented as part of the development.
	Options for enhancements to Coleman Street outside the development would include widening the footway, introducing street trees and relocating parking bays to allow for a wider footway.
	The surrounding footway of the development will be repaired where necessary to mitigate any damage resulting from the development's construction.

### **Project Planning**

13. Delivery Period	Overall project: 12 months. The highway work will be		
and Key dates	coordinated with the building's planned practical completion in		
	Q4 2019. It is envisaged that the project will be completed in		

	phases to accommodate the development's construction programme.			
	Other works dates to coordinate: The implementation and completion stages of the highways work are dependent on the development's programme.			
14. Risk implications	Overall project risk: Low			
	<ul> <li>Full cost of works unknown         Risk response: accept         As the design develops, the likely cost of the scheme will be established. The scope of the project will be tailored to ensure the developer is able to cover the costs.</li> <li>Project not delivered to programme         Risk response: reduce</li> </ul>			
	The developer requires the environmental enhancement works to be completed to coordinate with their building refurbishment which is to be completed at the end of 2019. Therefore a programme will be developed to ensure compliance with this date.			
15. Stakeholders and consultees	<ul> <li>Developer of 55 Moorgate</li> <li>Developer of 51 Moorgate</li> <li>Local Ward Members</li> <li>Owners/occupiers of adjacent buildings to Nun Court and the development of 55 Moorgate.</li> <li>The City of London Access Team</li> </ul>			
	An equality impact assessment will be undertaken prior to Gateway 5. The results will be reported at the next Gateway.			

### **Resource Implications**

16. Total estimated cost	Likely cost range: £100,000- £	200,000		
17. Funding strategy	Choose 1: Choose 1:			
	All funding fully guaranteed External - Funded wholl contributions from extending parties		, ,	
	Funds/Sources of Funding Cost (£)			
	Section 278 agreement		£100,000- £200,000	
	Total £100,000- £200,000			
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	Please note the Section 278 funding is pending.	
18. Investment appraisal	On-going revenue implications  Revenue implications for highways maintenance are anticipated to be of minimum impact and will be confirmed at Gateway 5 when the detailed design will be finalised.  These costs will be assessed and covered by the developer under a S278 agreement, thereby mitigating the impact on local risk budgets.	
19. Procurement strategy/Route to Market	<ul> <li>19.1 It is anticipated that all works will be undertaken by the City's Highways term contractor, J.B. Riney. This will be confirmed at Gateway 5.</li> <li>19.2 The design work is proposed to be carried out inhouse by the Highways team.</li> <li>19.3 The materials and specification of the design will be the City's standard specification, in accordance with the City Public Realm Supplementary Planning Document.</li> </ul>	
20. Legal implications	<ul> <li>20.1 A Section 278 Agreement is being negotiated with the developer. This will be finalised by Gateway 5.</li> <li>20.2 A Traffic Management Order may be required to facilitate the change of Nun Court from a cul-de-sac to a passageway, as a result of the pedestrian link provided by the development.</li> </ul>	
21. Corporate property implications	None.	
22. Traffic implications	<ul> <li>22.1 It is anticipated that the proposed works to Nun Court will have a neutral impact on vehicular traffic and will improve pedestrian flows.</li> <li>22.2 A widened footway outside the development on Coleman Street might require the relocation of parking bays.</li> <li>22.3 A Traffic Management Order may be required to facilitate the change of Nun Court from a cul-de-sac to a passageway, as a result of the pedestrian link provided by the development.</li> </ul>	

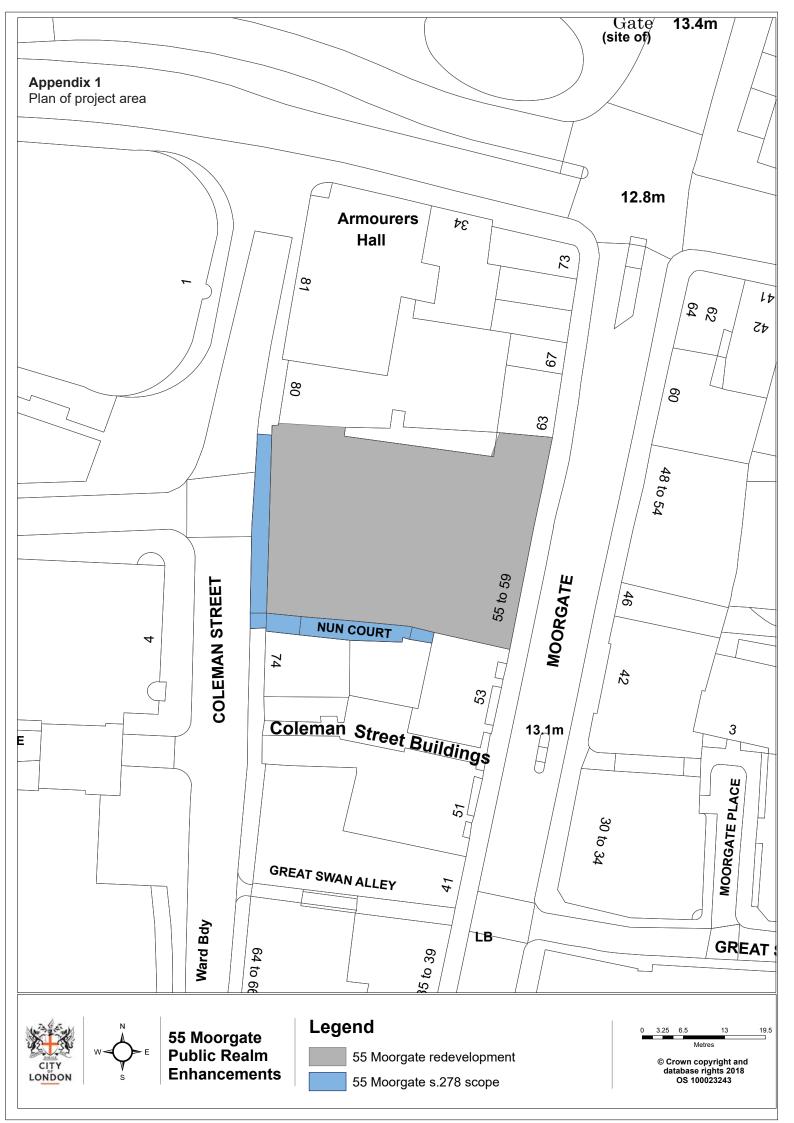
23. Sustainability and energy implications	It is anticipated that all materials will be sustainably sourced where possible and be suitably durable for construction purposes.
24. IS implications	None.
25. Equality Impact Assessment	An equality impact assessment will be undertaken prior to Gateway 5.
26. Data Protection Impact Assessment	None.

### **Appendices**

Appendix 1	Plan of the project area
Appendix 2	Photo of Nun Court entrance
Appendix 3	Project Briefing document

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**Appendix 2**Photo of Nun Court entrance



### **Project Briefing**

Project identifier			
[1a] Unique Project	TBC	[1b] Departmental	TBC
Identifier		Reference Number	
[2] Core Project Name	55 Moorgate Section 278 Public realm and highway improvements		
[3] Programme Affiliation (if applicable)	N/A		

Ownership	
[4] Chief Officer has signed	Yes
off on this document	
[5] Senior Responsible	Melanie Charalambous
Officer	
[6] Project Manager	Katie Adnams

#### **Description and purpose**

#### [7] Project Mission statement / Elevator pitch

To deliver public realm enhancements to Nun Court and the surrounding footway of the development 55 Moorgate. The enhancements will include the creation of a new pedestrian link between Moorgate and Coleman Street, as well as a widening of the footway on Coleman Street outside the development.

### [8] Definition of Need: What is the problem we are trying to solve or opportunity we are trying to realise (i.e. the reasons why we should make a change)?

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The developer's proposals for Nun Court, adjacent to the development, offer a significant opportunity to address the impacts of the scheme by improving pedestrian permeability between Moorgate and Coleman Street. Nun Court is currently a rarely used cul-de-sac service road that offers little perceivable benefit to local users. The proposed arrangements would include enhancements to Coleman Street outside the development and the creation a new passageway from Nun Court to Moorgate, addressing footway capacity and pedestrian comfort. Such improvements to the public realm take into account the demands placed in the Moorgate area as a result of Crossrail, the predicted increase in working population in the Eastern Cluster and the Cultural Mile.

#### [9] What is the link to the City of London Corporate plan outcomes?

- [2] People enjoy good health and wellbeing.
- [11] Our spaces are digitally and physically well-connected and responsive.
- [12] Our spaces are secure, resilient and well-maintained.

#### [10] What is the link to the departmental business plan objectives?

- [1] Advancing a flexible infrastructure that adapts to increasing capacity and changing demands.
- [5] Creating an accessible city which is stimulating, safe and easy to move around in
- [8] Improving quality of life for workers, residents and visitors.

[11] Note all which apply:					
Officer: Project developed from Officer initiation	Y	Member: Project developed from Member initiation	N	Corporate: Project developed as a large scale Corporate initiative	N
Mandatory: Compliance with legislation, policy and audit	Y	Sustainability: Essential for business continuity	N	Improvement: New opportunity/ idea that leads to improvement	Y

#### **Project Benchmarking:**

### [12] What are the top 3 measures of success which will indicate that the project has achieved its aims?

- 1) A new pedestrian link will be created, which is expected to enable improved pedestrian movement in the City.
- 2) Improved lighting and high-quality materials is expected to increase public perception of safety when using the new passageway.
- 3) The developer's aspirations and requirements will be met, by ensuring the surrounding highways work is completed prior to occupation of the development.

# [13] Will this project have any measurable legacy benefits/outcome that we will need to track after the end of the 'delivery' phase? If so, what are they and how will you track them? (E.g. cost savings, quality etc.)

Not applicable.

### [14] What is the expected delivery cost of this project (range values)[£]?

Lower Range estimate: £100,000 Upper Range estimate: £200,000

#### [15] Total anticipated on-going revenue commitment post-delivery (lifecycle costs)[£]:

Revenue implications for highways maintenance are anticipated to be of minimum impact and will be confirmed at Gateway 5 when the detailed design will be finalised.

These costs will be assessed and covered by the developer under a S278 agreement, thereby mitigating the impact on local risk budgets.

### [16] What are the expected sources of funding for this project?

The project will be fully funded by a s.278 agreement which will be entered into with the developer of 55 Moorgate.

### [17] What is the expected delivery timeframe for this project (range values)? Are there any deadlines which must be met (e.g. statutory obligations)?

**Overall project:** 12 months. The highway work will be coordinated with the building's planned practical completion in Q4 2019. It is envisaged that the project will be completed in phases to accommodate the development's construction programme.

**Other works dates to coordinate**: The implementation and completion stages of the highways work are dependent on the development's programme.

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# [18] Will this project generate public or media impact and response which the City of London will need to manage? Will this be a high-profile activity with public and media momentum? The project will not be a high-profile activity, it is not expected to generate public or media impact.

[19] Who has been actively consulted to develop this project to this stage?		
Chamberlains:	Officer Name: Julie Smith	
Finance		
Chamberlains:	Officer Name: not applicable	
Procurement		
IT	Officer Name: not applicable	
HR	Officer Name: not applicable	
Communications	Officer Name: Not applicable	
Corporate Property	Officer Name: Not applicable	
External	Developer of 55 Moorgate	