Committee	Dated:
Planning and Transportation Committee	20 September 2022
Subject:	Public
Transport Strategy Delivery Plan Update: Quarter 1 2022/23	
Which outcomes in the City Corporation's Corporate Plan does this proposal aim to impact directly?	1, 2, 9, 11, 12
Does this proposal require extra revenue and/or	N
capital spending?	
If so, how much?	N/A
What is the source of Funding?	N/A
Has this Funding Source been agreed with the	N/A
Chamberlain's Department?	
Report of:	For Information
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Summary

Members have requested quarterly updates on progress with delivering the City of London Transport Strategy. This report covers Quarter 1 of 2022/23 (April to June 2022)

An update on Delivery Plan projects is provided in Appendix 1. While progress continues to be made, some projects and activities are experiencing programme delays due to funding constraints from Transport for London (TfL).

As reported at the beginning of the financial year, TfL is still unable to award usual Local implementation Plan (LIP) funding due to their financial constraints. Funding from TfL for this financial year to date, £116,000, has been allocated to cycle schemes and Healthy Streets Minor schemes. A further funding agreement between TfL and central government has just been announced, we are awaiting further detail on the allocation for the City Corporation at the time of writing. A verbal update can be provided at the meeting.

As this report covers Quarter 1 it does not consider the ongoing capital programme review. Any implications arising from this review will be identified in future updates.

Recommendation

Members are asked to note the report.

Main Report

Background

- 1. The City of London Transport Strategy was adopted in May 2019. The Strategy sets the framework for the design and management of transport and streets in the Square Mile over the next 25 years.
- 2. The Transport Strategy is supported by a three-year Delivery Plan. This provides details of projects to deliver the Transport Strategy and is updated on an annual basis. The 2021/22 2023/24 Delivery Plan was brought to this Committee on 7th June 2022.
- 3. Members have requested quarterly updates on progress with delivering the Transport Strategy. This report covers Quarter 1 of 2022/23 (April to June 2022).

Quarter 1 Update

- 4. The quarterly update on progress with Delivery Plan projects is provided in Appendix 1.
- 5. Progress during the first quarter of 2022/23 includes:
 - Commencing work on the Globe View riverside walkway in April 2022, this work is due to be completed in October 2022.
 - Producing a draft project vision for the Fleet Street and Temples Healthy Streets Plan following internal engagement. This will form the basis of further engagement with stakeholders.
 - New London Street public realm improvements completed.
 - Progressing design work on Leadenhall Street corridor improvement.
 - Introducing an experimental traffic order for Widegate Street to improve the experience of walking with traffic restrictions during the day.
 - Completing the Ludgate Hill section of the public realm improvements around Creed Court.
 - Securing approval to make Traffic Management Orders for the Bank Junction scheme, following the consultation period.
 - Developing and modelling design options for the St Paul's Gyratory projects.
 - Completing installation of climate resilient planting at the Riverside Planters next to the City of London School for Boys.
 - Planting climate resilient trees at Vine Street.
 - Securing Committee approval to make the traffic restrictions for Charterhouse Square school street permanent.
 - Continuing cycle training with 37 people trained; and 13 City of London Police cycle road shows, which includes safety training and security marking.
- 6. The following projects have an amber RAG status, reasons are noted in Appendix 1:
 - St Paul's gyratory removal (A)
 - Liverpool Street Crossrail Integration (A)

- Beech Street Transport & Public Realm (A)
- Sustainable Servicing Programme (A)
- Shared use review (A)
- Last Mile Delivery Hubs (A)
- EV infrastructure plan (A)

Financial Implications

- 7. As reported in the previous update, Transport for London (TfL) is still unable to award usual Local Implementation Plan (LIP) funding due to their financial constraints. Funding for this financial year to date, £116,000, has been allocated to cycle schemes and Healthy Streets Minor schemes. This is approximately 10% of pre-pandemic allocations. Liveable Neighbourhoods funding of £3m for the City Cluster remains on hold.
- 8. TfL funded projects and activities (strategic transport schemes, Healthy Streets minor schemes and cycling programme) are included in this year's delivery plan despite uncertainty around availability of funding. We have been able to fund some projects and activities through Local Risk budgets and others will be initiated as funding becomes available. Reference to programme impact due to funding source/constraint is included in the appendix.
- 9. A long-term funding agreement between TfL and central government has recently been announced. At the time of writing, we are awaiting further detail on the allocation for the City Corporation.
- 10. Capital funding from the City's own funds and developer contributions for major projects has been allocated through Chamberlain's approvals process, therefore much of the Delivery Plan is able to continue. As this report covers Quarter 1 it does not consider the ongoing capital programme review which could impact some projects.

Corporate & Strategic Implications

- 11. Delivery of the Transport Strategy supports the delivery of Corporate Plan outcomes 1, 3, 5, 8, 9, 11 and 12. It also indirectly supports the delivery of Corporate Plan outcomes 2 and 4.
- 12. Delivery of the Transport Strategy helps mitigate corporate risks, CR21 Air Quality and CR30 Climate Action and departmental risk ENV-CO-TR 001 Road Safety.
- 13. Delivery of the Transport Strategy supports sustainable growth and the delivery of the City Corporation's Climate Action Strategy (CAS). The Pedestrian Priority Programme and sustainable logistics centre feasibility study are key deliverable for the CAS Transport workstream.

Conclusion

14. Delivery of the Transport Strategy is progressing well despite a challenging funding environment for some activities. Progress continues on those schemes which have developer funding through S106 and S278 agreements and through

CAS and other City capital funded schemes. Planning for future improvements through Healthy Streets Plans will assist with future prioritisation of funding.

Appendices

Appendix 1: 2022/23 Transport Strategy Delivery Plan – Quarter 1 update

- Background Papers
- City of London Transport Strategy
- <u>07062022 Planning & Transportation Transport Strategy Annual Report Appendix 2 Delivery Plan 2022/23 2024/25</u>

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