

City Network and Liveable Neighbourhoods - Update noted etc.

7 With reference to the minutes of 10th June 2025 (Print 2, page 138) noting an update on the Inner North and South City Network (CN) and Liveable Neighbourhoods (LN) programmes, there was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the current position of the CN and LN programmes and the strategic review of both programmes in response to national funding structures and delivery priorities, advising

- (1) that previous multi-year Sustrans Places for Everyone (PfE) funding was no longer available and that active travel projects would now be put forward to Transport Scotland Active Travel Infrastructure Fund (ATIF) which was limited to single year funding only;
- (2) that the change in funding had impacted both the CN Delivery Plan and LN programmes which had been structured around multi-year funding, each with separate target indicators for design and delivery;
- (3) that whilst there were benefits to the new ATIF model there were limitations and the implication of uncertainty had been felt across the Council's programme phasing, scope and delivery timescales across the CN and LN programmes;
- (4) of the rationale for reviewing and consolidation of the programmes, as detailed in the report;
- (5) of the revised delivery framework highlighting the integrations of both CN and LN programmes whilst retaining the ambition to create a city-wide network and that a new CN and LN Officer Working Group had been established to support the re-prioritisation and strategic refinement of the programme, as detailed in the report; and
- (6) of the CN projects that were in development, in design and due to be in design together with the next steps for both the CN and LN programmes, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the committee

- (a) noted the report and that a further update would be presented alongside the yearly update of active travel projects;
- (b) endorsed the proposed strategic review and consolidation of the City Network and Liveable Neighbourhoods programmes; and
- (c) supported the development of a unified delivery framework.