CYNGOR CAERDYDD CARDIFF COUNCIL

ENVIRONMENTAL SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

16 MARCH 2023

CARDIFF CROSSRAIL - BRIEFING

Purpose of the Report

 To provide Members with an update following the announcement of the successful Levelling up bid and the update provided to Cabinet on 2nd March 2023

Structure of the Papers

- 2. Attached to this report is:
 - **Appendix A -** Cabinet Report (02/03/23) paragraphs 16 26 and 60 62
 - Appendix B Presentation 'Cardiff Crossrail briefing'

Scope of Scrutiny

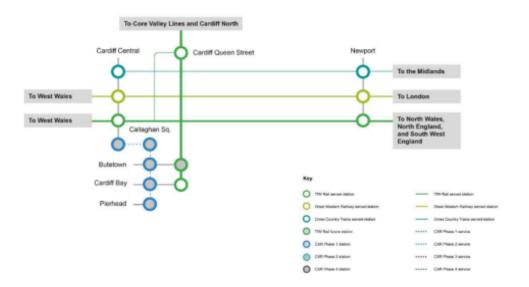
3. During this scrutiny, Members have the opportunity to explore the phased approach to the delivery of Cardiff Crossrail :

Background

- 4. Confirmation of the successful £50m Cardiff Crossrail Phase 1 bid was published by the UK government published in January.
- 5. Welsh Government have matched funded the bid, therefore £100m is available to deliver Phase 1 of the development.
- 6. **Point 17** acknowledges the key role of Transport for Wales as a strategic partner in developing the funding bid and the outline business case that formed part of the funding submission.
- 7. It is noted in **point 18**, that the project will deliver the following:
 - A regular tram service from Cardiff Central to a new platform at Cardiff Bay train station.
 - Two new platforms at Cardiff Central Train Station
 - Public realm improvements around the existing and new train platforms

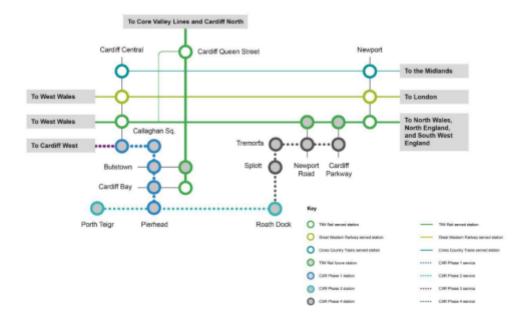
- A new road layout which allows safe transition for the public to use between road, rail, cycling and walking.
- 8. The availability of sufficient funding to extend the proposal to Pierhead Street is highlighted in Point 19 which includes the following figure:

Figure 1: Cardiff Crossrail (CXR) Phase 1



9. Primarily, this will be the first phase of Crossrail enabling the east and west of the city to be linked, as shown in the figure below:

Figure 2: Cardiff Crossrail (CXR) Central to Cardiff Parkway



- 10. **Points 22 25** highlight a number of other wider developments that Crossrail will complement and the benefits to a large population that have needed to be reliant on car use.
- 11. The need for a full business case, detailed costs and specification is noted in **point 26**

Way Forward

31. Cllr Dan De'Ath, Cabinet Member for Transport & Strategic Planning, and Andrew Gregory, Director for Planning Transport & Environment have been invited to make a statement and answer Member's questions. They have been asked to make a brief presentation followed by Member's questions.

Legal Implications

The Scrutiny Committee is empowered to enquire, consider, review and recommend but not to make policy decisions. As the recommendations in this report are to consider and review matters, there are no direct legal implications. However, legal implications may arise if and when the matters under review are implemented with or without any modifications. Any report with recommendations for decision that goes to Cabinet/Council will set out any legal implications arising from those recommendations. All decisions taken by or on behalf of the Council must (a) be within the legal powers of the Council; (b) comply with any procedural requirement imposed by law; (c) be within the powers of the body or person exercising powers on behalf of the Council; (d) be undertaken in accordance with the procedural requirements imposed by the Council e.g. Scrutiny Procedure Rules; (e) be fully and properly informed; (f) be properly motivated; (g) be taken having regard to the Council's fiduciary duty to its taxpayers; and (h) be reasonable and proper in all the circumstances.

Financial Implications

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RECOMMENDATION

The Committee is recommended to:

- Consider the information in this report, and the presentation and any further information presented at the meeting;
- ii) Determine whether they would like to make any comments, observations or recommendations on this matter; and
- iii) Decide the way forward for any future scrutiny of the issues discussed.

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Director of Governance & Legal Services 10th March 2023