

Title of Report:	Item Called-in following an Executive Decision – A4 Calcot widening
Report to be considered by:	Overview and Scrutiny Management Commission
Date of Meeting:	7 January 2014
Forward Plan Ref:	ID2743

Purpose of Report: To allow a review of the decision to proceed to detail design and construction of the scheme to widen the A4 at Calcot.

Recommended Action: That the Overview and Scrutiny Management Commission reviews the decision.

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Supporting Information

1. Executive Decision

1.1 On 16 December 2013 the Executive Member for Highways received a report (ID2743) outlining the feedback from the consultation on proposals to widen the A4 at Calcot and approval was sought to proceed to detail design and construction, subject to the agreement of any alterations to the scheme design as a result of the consultation responses.

1.2 The Executive Member for Highways approved the recommendation that:

The scheme detailed in Appendix 2 of the report proceeds to detail design and construction subject to further consultation and public meeting with residents to review the scheme detail.

2. Call-In of the Decision

2.1 In accordance with the Council's Constitution, five Elected Members (Councillors Jeff Brooks, Mollie Lock, Royce Longton, Alan Macro and Geoff Mayes) called in the Individual Decision (ID2743) on the basis that:

- (1) The proposal does not address the problem of eastbound congestion at peak times
- (2) It does not address the problem caused by eastbound traffic generated by the proposed IKEA store at Calcot, particularly at store closing time
- (3) The concerns of Tilehurst Parish Council are not addressed, either in the proposal or in the consultation responses.

3. Role of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Commission

3.1 The role of the Overview and Scrutiny and Management Commission is to review the decision and determine whether it concurs with the decision (in which case it will take immediate effect) or refer it back to the Executive for further consideration.

4. Recommendation

4.1 It is recommended that Members of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Commission review the decision made by the Executive.

Appendices

Appendix A – Letter calling in ID2743

Appendix B – A4 Calcot widening report (ID2743)