### STOCKTON-ON-TEES BOROUGH COUNCIL

#### **CABINET RECOMMENDATIONS**

## **PROFORMA**

Cabinet Meeting ......3rd December 2015

# 1. <u>Title of Item/Report</u>

Scrutiny Review of River Tees Crossing Infrastructure

# 2. Record of the Decision

Consideration was given to a report on the Scrutiny Review of River Tees Crossing Infrastructure.

The Crime and Disorder Select Committee examined arrangements for the maintenance of the Boroughs' main bridges and to provide reassurances and recommendations on those arrangements.

### **RESOLVED that:-**

- 1. A robust asset management plan be developed for the bridges and structures in Stockton Borough.
- 2. A linked five year investment strategy be developed for the bridges and structures based upon the asset management plan.
- 3. An appropriate level of resourcing be applied for the development and delivery of the asset management plan
- 4. The asset management plan ensures its delivery needs are risk based and recognises the economic significance of those assets.
- 5. Subject to further detailed discussions with Middlesbrough Council, Cabinet consider at a future meeting, proposals for a new joint arrangement that will reflect a revised financial structure for the maintenance of the River Tees crossings, under which Stockton will assume responsibility for the Newport Bridge and Middlesbrough will assume a reciprocal responsibility for the Transporter Bridge.
- 6. A further review of redundant bridges and structures with a view to disposing of, or demolishing those redundant assets if feasible and cost effective.

7. Monitoring of Teesside Park access takes place biannually as opposed to annually.

# 3. Reasons for the Decision

The aim of the review was to provide appropriate challenge relating to the financial impact to the Council, exploring alternative funding sources, contractual arrangements including those with neighbouring local authorities and asset management of key structures in order to limit disruption to river crossings if maintenance is required and identify cost effective maintenance arrangements.

4. Alternative Options Considered and Rejected

None.

5. Declared (Cabinet Member) Conflicts of Interest

None.

6. <u>Details of any Dispensations</u>

N/A

7. <u>Date and Time by which Call In must be executed</u>

Midnight on 11th December 2015.

Proper Officer 07 August 2015