



Appendix N - Warrington Western Link- Scheme Delivery Programme

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The document presents the detailed delivery programme for future stages of Western Link.

The future delivery programme is split into distinct stages as follows:

- Preparation for Stage 3. This includes progression of ecology surveys, further land and legal reviews including further land referencing; liaison with statutory bodies; liaison with the public and stakeholders; scoping and arranging access for further survey work as well as liaison with the DfT over the submitted OBC. The purpose of this stage is maintain project momentum and place the council in a strong position to commence Stage 3 fully, following fund approval. It therefore concludes in May 2018.
- Stage 3 which focusses on development of the design and land investigations to a point where there is appropriate certainty on the route alignment and land requirements to: submit a planning application; seek council resolution on CPO and commence procurement of a Design and Build (D&B) contractor to deliver stage 4 (Early contractor involvement will be provided in stage 3 via the Scape framework). Stage 3 concludes in May 2019 with a full gateway review.
- Stage 4A during which: a D&B contractor will be procured; planning permission will be determined and the final CPO will be prepared. Stage 4A concludes in October 2019 with: Project Board approval of the D&B contractor selection; granting of planning permission and making of the CPO.
- Stage 4B where the D&B contractor will progress the detailed scheme design and prepare a target cost. It is also during this stage that a public inquiry is expected to occur and a final business case will be submitted to DfT. Stage 4B concluded in February 2021 with: a full gateway review: Secretary of State (SofS) decision on the Inquiry, DfT approval of the FBC and D&B contract award.
- Stage 5 is the construction stage during which the scheme will be built and be handed over to WBC. The scheme is expected to be complete in January 2024.

Additionally, tasks have been grouped into the following work packages:

- Work Package 0 – Project Management, Governance and Review
- Work Package 1 – Technical Design and Approvals
- Work Package 2 – Planning
- Work Package 3 – Procurement
- Work Package 4 – Land, CPO and Public Inquiry
- Work Package 5 – Business Case





