

Report to:	TOURISM, ECONOMY AND RESOURCES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
Relevant Officer:	Neil McArdle, Network Planning Officer
Date of Meeting:	21 February 2018

HIGHWAYS ENGINEERING SERVICE - LEAN REVIEW

1.0 Purpose of the report:

1.1 To consider the LEAN Review of the Highways Engineering Services and efficiencies identified.

2.0 Recommendation(s):

2.1 To comment upon the report and highlight any areas for further scrutiny.

3.0 Reasons for recommendation(s):

3.1 To ensure constructive and robust scrutiny of the report. It is also a requirement of the Department for Transport's self-assessment to maintain the incentive funding level.

3.2a Is the recommendation contrary to a plan or strategy adopted or approved by the Council? No

3.2b Is the recommendation in accordance with the Council's approved budget? N/A

3.3 Other alternative options to be considered: N/A

4.0 Council Priority:

4.1 The relevant Council Priorities are

“The economy: Maximising growth and opportunity across Blackpool”

“Communities: Creating stronger communities and increasing resilience”

5.0 Background information

5.1 This report reviews the Highways Engineering Service's current practices and rates.

5.2 The report looks at the internal processes of the Engineering Services team at Layton and compares rates against external organisations and other local authorities and demonstrates Value for Money (VfM). It also identifies some future efficiencies, some of which have already been made.

List of Appendices:

Appendix 9 (a) - Lean Review

Appendix 9 (b) - detailed findings and solutions

Does the information submitted include any exempt information?

No

6.0 Legal considerations:

6.1 None

7.0 Human Resources considerations:

7.1 None

8.0 Equalities considerations:

8.1 None

9.0 Financial considerations:

9.1 None

10.0 Risk management considerations:

10.1 None

11.0 Ethical considerations:

11.1 None

12.0 Internal/ External Consultation undertaken:

12.1 None.

13.0 Background papers:

13.1 [Department for Transport - Self-Assessment for Incentive Funding](#)