

Item 11 – Todmorden Railway Station Lift Access

1 Plans

- 1.1 Plans have now been prepared which are now attached for Member's information.

Appendix 1- Section EE

Appendix 2 – Section AA

Appendix 3 – Section BB

Appendix 4 – Section CC

- 1.2 the Network Rail description of the projects is as follows, 'lifts will be provided into the existing subway to allow for step free access at Todmorden station, they will be installed to modern tolerances and standards and detailed designs have been completed'

2 Planning Permission

- 2.1 In anticipation of Members wishing to know when this will be bought forward for planning permissions in some cases where improvements are taking place on rail property for purely transport purposes, they may not be subject to the same planning guidelines which apply elsewhere. Further enquiry will be made.

3. Timescale

- 3.1 In terms of the timescale, Network Rail are ordering the parts for the lifts, and then there will be a need to arrange for an engineering possession for installation and once the parts are delivered the timescale will become clearer.
- 3,2 It should be noted that the pandemic has caused a delay to rail projects in general, which has not helped, but for those who were worried if the project would take place, it is now gathering pace again. When further details on timescales are provided Members will be advised.
- 3.3 The other factor at this time is the pandemic, which has caused a significant delays to rail projects large and small right across the rail industry, which will not have helped Todmorden, however many of these projects ae starting to move forward again.

4 Oversight

- 4.1 Cllr Susan Press continue to keep watchful eye on progress and is encouraging Network Rail after the Investment Panel meeting, for a firmer timetable.
- 4.2 The project is funded by Department for Transport grant funding, so it must take place.

5 Funding

- 5.1 Members will recall that as part of the overall funding pot TTC agreed to contribute £25,000 as part of the WYCTA bid element necessary to secure Government funding.
- 5.2 Given the lapse of time and some confusion as to what potentially was funded by this proposed contribution clarification has again been sought from CMBC as to whether this contribution is still required.