

# North Yorkshire County Council

### Skipton and Ripon Constituency Committee – 14 March 2019

## A65 Coniston Aire Causeway – Progress Update

#### **1.0 Purpose of the Report**

1.1 To provide an update on the progress of the A65 Coniston Aire Causeway.

#### 2.0 Background

- 2.1 Members will recall that a report was presented to the Skipton and Ripon Area Constituency Committee (ACC) on 31 of May 2018 providing details of the feasibility study that had been carried out looking at options to reduce bridge damage and associated traffic disruption associated with the A65 Coniston Aire Causeway. The Committee resolved to formally support the recommendation of the feasibility study which was to pursue Option 5 which is the construction of a multi-span causeway with an estimated cost of £9.5 million.
- 2.2 In light of the feedback from the ACC, the Corporate Director Business and Environmental Services (BES), in consultation with the BES Executive Members, at their meeting of 28 September 2018, approved a recommendation that Option 5, the construction of a New Coniston Aire Causeway at an estimated cost £9.5 million, is taken forward.

## 3.0 Progress Update

3.1 The County Council continues to explore potential funding sources for the bridge scheme and the fact that an approved option was adopted last year means that the scheme is now more 'bid ready' than was previously the case.

## 4.0 Recommendation

4.1 Members of the Skipton and Ripon Area Constituency Committee note the contents of the report.

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