

Decision under Delegated Powers

Officer Requesting Decision

Sustainability Officer

Officer Making the Decision

Head of Planning and Regeneration

Recommendation

That the Council accepts the grant offer of £60,940 from the Office of Zero Emission Vehicles (OZEV) and that the related agreement form be signed.

Reason

To ensure funding offered is received to contribute to the on street residential chargepoint scheme being prepared for Charnwood.

Authority for Decision

Heads of Service have delegated authority to enter into agreements for grants and other funding sources up to a value of £200,000 per annum.

Decision and Date



27 October 2021

Background

The Council is working with suppliers Electric Blue to bring electric charging points to selected publicly operated car parks in Charnwood under the governments On Street Residential Chargepoint Scheme (ORCS). Electric Blue were procured using a framework agreement following a contract waiver process to enable the grant application to be made. Grant funding has been made available from the Office of Zero Emission Vehicles (OZEV) paid through the Energy Saving Trust. The grant meets 75% of the capital cost (£60,900) with the remaining 25% met by the supplier and the council. the council's share of the capital cost is 10% (DD168 2020 refers).

Under the terms of the constitution heads of service have delegation to enter into grants up to £200k. Given the amount of grant being over £50,000, two of the Council's authorised signatories must sign the agreement form.

Any on-going maintenance costs for the equipment will be managed by Electric Blue as part of a separate contract. Therefore the only additional cost to the Council will be general maintenance of the car parks.

Financial Implications

DD168 2020 gives authority to add the scheme into the current capital plan once the grant has been received, and a virement of £8,700 from the Z796 Carbon Neutral Fund budget to the new scheme to create a total budget of £86,600 (Funded by Grant of £60,900, other external funding £17,000 and CBC contribution £8,700).

Risk Management

No significant risks have been identified

Key Decision: No

Background Papers: DD168 2020