Broughton By Pass

Chair of Transport for Lancashire; Chair of Growth Deal Management Board;

Councillor Mein.

I can confirm that the local contribution of £8.8m for this project will be met through the City Deal Infrastrucutre fund along with any subsequent cost increase above the level of grant already agreed. LCC, as the accountable body, take the risk on City Deal deficits over its life. In doing this we allow for variables such as construction inflation and an allowance for the risk in the deviation of cost estimates.

Lancashire County Council has a well established procurement strategy which will be applied to the Broughton By Pass Project. Our procurement strategy aims to protect the Authority from unecessary risk and challenge, while looking to secure the best possible value for money for the Council using Most Economically Advantageous Tender evaluation criteria (MEAT).

Our procurement procedures are transparent, accountable and auditable. To help improve efficiency, we also have framework agreements in key areas, a database of contracted suppliers in the form of a contracts register and a fully electronic procurement system.

Yours Sincerely.

Damon Lawrenson

Section 151 Officer

Lancashire County Council.