

**ITEM:**

	<p><b>necessary steps to prepare a Compulsory Purchase Order (CPO) to authorise the compulsory acquisition of necessary land and rights over land required for the “Lea Lane Scheme” and noted that a second Cabinet report will be presented should land negotiations not prove successful within a timeframe compatible with the construction programme to seek authorisation to make, publish and take all necessary steps required for the confirmation and subsequent implementation of that CPO.</b></p>
<p>Reason(s) for the Decision:</p>	<p>To reinstate the highway on Lea Lane, Kidderminster that slipped into the nearby canal. Re-opening Lea Lane to vehicular traffic will improve traffic flow in the local area. Lea Lane is an important road that links the villages of Wolverley and Cookley.</p>
<p>Alternative Options Considered:</p>	<p>None other than as set out in the report.</p>
<p>Conflict of Interest (any declared by a consulted Cabinet Member/any dispensation granted)</p>	
<p>Date the decision is due to take effect:</p>	<p>3 October 2024</p>

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