



LOCAL CAPITAL ALLOCATION 2005/06

SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL'S LOCAL COMMITTEE (ELMBRIDGE AREA) 23 MARCH 2005

KEY ISSUE:

To seek Committee approval for expenditure of the Local Capital Allocation for 2005/06.

SUMMARY:

This report explains the background to the funding, how it has previously been used and recommendations for the forthcoming year.

ELECTORAL DIVISION AND MEMBER: All Divisions

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION:

That the Committee:

- i) Notes how the 2004/05 Local Allocation budget was used.
- ii) Approves the list of transportation projects set out in Appendix 'A' be funded from the £100,000 Local Allocation budget for 2005/06.

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BACKGROUND PAPERS: None

1 INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

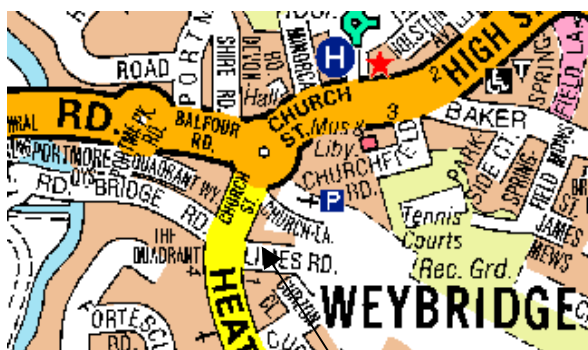
- 1.1 The Leader of the County Council, in his budget speech, announced that the Local Capital Allocation will be £100,000 for 2005/06 to each of the Local Offices.
- 1.2 It is anticipated that, as in previous years, any under or overspend on this budget will roll forward to the next financial year. It is not yet known what the outturn will be for 2004/05.

2 2004/05 SUMMARY

- 2.1 Last year the Committee approved the funding to undertake feasibility studies to sustain the LTP programme, with the remainder to be delegated to the Local Transportation Director to be used to address local priorities agreed at the Members' workshop.
- 2.2 County Members prioritised a number of schemes at an informal meeting in May 2004.
- 2.3 Feasibility work included the following:
 - A245 Stoke Road – crossing option by Blundel Lane
 - Paramics model for East Molesey
 - Seven Hills speed limit changes
- 2.4 A total of £10,000 was used to provide new street lighting. In suitable locations this proves popular with residents and is a valuable contribution towards community safety.
- 2.5 The remaining budget has been used for the following small schemes:
 - Drainage repairs at Hurst Road, Ferry Tavern (Portsmouth Road), Mills Road, Monument Road, and Portsmouth Road j/w Couchmore Avenue.
 - A kerb build-out at Portsmouth Road j/w Claygate Lane – on site imminently.
 - Footway reconstruction at Lebanon Drive – on site imminently.
 - Winters Bridge footway resurfacing and bus stop improvements (under construction).

3 PROPOSALS FOR 2005/06

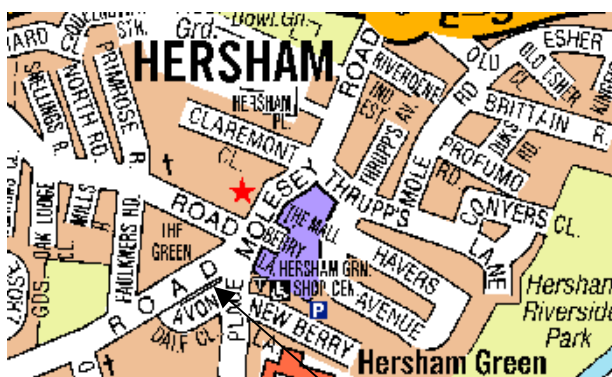
- 3.1 Traditionally the bulk of the Local Allocation has been used for transportation studies and environmental highway works.
- 3.2 The conservation area improvement at the junction of Bridge Road/Church Street, Weybridge (known as the Quadrant) has been designed and consulted upon and is ready for construction.



The Quadrant

The scheme will be funded from this budget (£20,000) and from the Divisional Member's [Ian Lake] budget (£14,000).

- 3.3 The Divisional Member for Hersham (Margaret Hicks) has in previous years funded the investigation and re-design of the junction of Queens Road, Molesey Road and Burwood Road. The introduction of a new roundabout should improve the record of this junction that has a minor safety problem. The proposals will also improve the pedestrian facility and produce a general improvement to the environment in the centre of the village.



Junction

- 3.4 Funding is also proposed to facilitate the further development of the Intermediate LTP scheme for Esher Green, and proposals for Walton High Street, the Weybridge 20 mph zone and speed limit changes to Woodstock Lane South, all of which are detailed in separate agenda items. There are also non-specific allocations to facilitate low cost traffic schemes and environmental improvement proposals that may come forward in due course.
- 3.5 A fixed allocation of £15,000 be made to the Weybridge Station Railway Bridge project for highway measures over and above those necessary for the Road onto Rail project.
- 3.6 A summary of the budget proposal is set out in Appendix 'A'.

4 CONSULTATION

- 4.1 Divisional Members will be advised when schemes start. Appropriate levels of consultation will be undertaken specific to each scheme.

5 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 The Local Allocation is a capital works budget and can legitimately be spent in the proposed manner. The proposals include a predicted carry-forward from 2004/05, which is subject to Executive approval.

6 CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 All schemes will fully consider any implications to crime and disorder.

7 SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AND EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 None.

Appendix 'A'**SCC – Elmbridge LTS – Draft LA Budget as approved by SCC Members
7/2/05**

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4
Scheme Proposal	Progress Proposed in 2005/06	Estimated Capital Budget 2005/06 (£,000)	Estimated contributions from other funding sources (£,000)
Bridge Road / Church Street, Weybridge - Junction Improvement	Scheme Construction - Carry forward from 2004/5	£20	£14
Queens Road / Molesey Road, Hersham - New Mini Roundabout	Scheme design and construction	£30	£7.5
Weybridge 20mph Zone	Scheme Implementation	£10	
Esher Green / Lammas Lane and Church Street	Scheme Preparation Costs	£25	
Woodstock Lane South 40mph Speed Limit	Scheme Implementation	£5	
Weybridge Station Railway Bridge	Contribution for highway benefit	£15	
Low Cost Traffic Scheme Proposals	Identification and implementation of minor traffic schemes in the year	£10	
Environmental maintenance and improvements	Identification and implementation of drainage/kerbing and footway improvements in the year	£10	
Upping The Street, High Street Walton on Thames.	Initial scheme development	£15	(£5 requested from EBC)
	Total Draft Programme for Elmbridge LTS	£140	
	Budget for 2005/06	£100	£21.5
	Predicted Carry Forward From 2004/05 @ Feb 2005	£40	
	Net Budget Available	£140	
	Balance to Allocate	£0	