



**SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL'S  
LOCAL COMMITTEE IN  
EPSOM & EWELL**

**KILN LANE LINK WIDER  
MEASURES**

**31<sup>st</sup> OCTOBER 2005**

**KEY ISSUE:**

To advise members of the proposals to compliment the proposed Kiln Lane Link and to agree a way of prioritising and progressing the proposals.

**SUMMARY:**

On 24 January 2005 the Epsom and Ewell Local Committee were advised on the progress of the proposed Kiln Lane Link. Although this scheme had gained provisional funding status the Government review on spending and scheme priorities has led to the scheme being delayed. The outcome of this review is expected in December 2005 and as such work has been suspended on the Kiln Lane Link scheme.

However, the committee were also advised that the development of a package of wider measures to compliment the Kiln Lane Link would continue and these would address the issues raised at the public consultation. An initial range of proposals has now been developed and requires the views of elected Members on the measures proposed and their priority.

## **OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS:**

The committee is asked to agree;

- (a) the formation and constituency of a Member Working Group to review the Kiln Lane Link wider measures; and
- (b) that the Member Working Group report back to a future meeting of this Committee.

### **1.0 INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND**

- 1.1 On 24 January 2005 the Epsom and Ewell Local Committee were advised on the progress of the proposed Kiln Lane Link.
- 1.2 The Kiln Lane Link is a Local Transport Plan (LTP) major scheme, which was provisionally accepted by Government for funding in December 2001, subject to the successful completion of the Statutory Procedures and approval by Ministers.
- 1.3 In December 2004, however, the Department for Transport announced a three-year allocation of capital funds to the South East Region for transport schemes of local and regional importance. This included local authority major schemes and major Highways Agency schemes of regional, rather than national, significance. This allocation also took account of the Government's July 2004 Spending Review. A decision on the status of the Kiln Lane Link is anticipated in December 2005.
- 1.4 At its meeting on 24 January 2005 the Committee were advised that work on the development of the Kiln Lane Link proposals would cease until the government confirms the priority of the scheme.
- 1.5 It was also agreed that work continue on the wider measures, to produce details of the type and location of supporting traffic management measures that may be required taking into account the issues highlighted in the public consultation. The development and implementation of some of these measures, however, would be dependent upon the outcome of the regional assessment of the Kiln Lane Link.

## 2.0 CURRENT SITUATION

- 2.1 A Wider Measures report containing a portfolio of schemes has now been prepared. This is intended as a discussion document to indicate how the proposals have been developed.
- 2.2 The wider measures have been developed using information from:
- i) measures identified by the Epsom and Ewell Movement Study;
  - ii) measures from the “Ewell Village Environment Enhancement Study” commissioned by Epsom and Ewell Borough Council;
  - iii) measures identified by Surrey County Council’s Accident Working Group;
  - iv) measures identified by the Epsom & Ewell’s Local Transportation Service (E &E LTS) and through the Safe Routes to Schools programme;
  - v) measures identified through the Kiln Lane Link consultation with local businesses in the development of the Freight Quality Partnership
  - vi) measures identified through the Kiln Lane Link public consultation in June 2004
- 2.3 It is important to note that there are three categories of wider measure schemes. These can be defined as follows:

### 1) **NON KILN LANE LINK DEPENDENT SCHEMES**

Schemes which are located in the area of interest but which are not reliant on the Kiln Lane Link. These schemes could be built at any time and could bring benefits to the local community before the Link is constructed.

### 2) **OPPORTUNITY SCHEMES**

Schemes that require through traffic to be re-routed onto the Kiln Lane Link. These schemes comprise safety and environmental improvements that become possible if the Kiln Lane Link were in place. It may be that these schemes could be constructed without the Kiln Lane Link, however, this may result in additional congestion in the highway network until the new link is open.

### 3) **TRAFFIC REDISTRIBUTION SCHEMES**

Schemes that are required to support the Kiln Lane Link to ensure that through traffic, and heavy goods vehicles in particular, use appropriate routes. These schemes include measures to support the Freight Quality Partnership. These schemes cannot be built without the Kiln Lane Link in place.

### **3.0 THE WAY FORWARD**

- 3.1 There are many proposals over a large area and it would be difficult for the Committee to fully assess the proposals during a normal meeting. It is therefore proposed to create a Members Working Group, which would be able to fully assess the proposals and prioritise them accordingly
- 3.3 This Committee will need to decide if the schemes, which do not require the Kiln Lane Link to be in place, should be considered for inclusion in the Epsom and Ewell LTP programme or not progressed.

### **4.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 4.1 Funding for the wider measures associated with the Kiln Lane Link would need to be progressed through the Epsom and Ewell LTP programme and possible development related funding.

### **5.0 SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.1 No specific Sustainable Development Implications have been identified.

### **6.0 CRIME & DISORDER IMPLICATIONS**

- 6.1 No specific Crime and Disorder Implications have been identified.

### **7.0 EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS**

- 7.1 No specific Equalities Implications have been identified.

### **8.0 CONCLUSION AND REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 8.1 The development of the wider measures associated with the Kiln Lane Link is a complex issue and has resulted in the production of a detailed proposals report. In order to assess and prioritise the measures identified in this report the Committee are asked to agree to the formation and constituency of a Member Working Group to review the Kiln Lane Link wider measures.
- 8.2 In addition it is proposed that the Member Working Group report back to a future meeting of this Committee

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