

# CAPITAL AND MAINTENANCE PROJECTS PROGRESS REPORT

# Surrey County Council's Local Committee for Epsom and Ewell

# 13 September 2010

#### **KEY ISSUE**

To update the Local Committee about the programme of works already undertaken in 2010/11 and the works still to be completed.

#### **SUMMARY**

On 7 June 2010 a proposed programme of works was reported to the Local Committee. This report sets out what has already been achieved, what remains to be done and highlights changes to the original plan. Individual improvement schemes which may attract Section 106 funding are the subject of separate reports to the Committee as is deployment of a recently awarded budget of £54,000 Local Allocation.

#### OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS

The Local Committee (Epsom and Ewell) is asked to note the report for information.

### **EPSOM AND EWELL CAPITAL PROJECTS 2010/11**

INTEGRATED TRANSPORT SCHEMES		
Project	Progress	
Epsom Town Centre – Accessibility and junction improvements	Minor improvements were carried out at the Spread Eagle junction during last year and the site continues to be monitored. Should it appear justified, developer related funding may be available to provide additional signal heads above the existing units at the pedestrian crossing set at a height more readily seen by approaching drivers heading east along High Street.	
Cycle Strategy Scheme	A further dedication of developer related monies has enabled Surrey to participate in the partnering arrangement with Epsom and Ewell Borough Council, the Environment Agency, the Lower Mole Project and Sustrans for the on-going development of the Hogsmill cycle path.	
Blenheim Road Recycling Centre	A temporary barrier has been in place across the road outside the waste site since June. Following an initial cluster of complaints within the first two weeks of operation, there have been no reports of difficulties at the site aside from a petition which is the subject of a separate report to this Committee and includes details of a traffic survey conducted by Council officers. The barrier closes the road to through traffic along Blenheim Road allowing vehicles to be segregated into commercial and non commercial, which has served to reduce conflict on the approaches to the site. The arrangement is the subject of an experimental traffic order which expires September 2011. A report will be put to this Committee in	

	March 2011 seeking decision whether to remove the barrier or make the order permanent.
Stones Road Tunnel	The existing footbridge has been closed at the time of writing and is due to be demolished over the weekend of 11 <sup>th</sup> and 12 <sup>th</sup> September. Works to refurbish the tunnel will begin 6 <sup>th</sup> September with a projected duration of 20 weeks. No alternative route for pedestrians has been identified. Once complete, the route will be available for cyclists and pedestrians although signs will be displayed instructing cyclists to dismount.
Waiting Restriction Review	Phase 5 amendments were considered by the Local Committee on 17 <sup>th</sup> December and a decision given on which could be advertised. Advertisement is to take place during September and any objections generated will be discussed with the Committee Chairman and appropriate Divisional Member. Funding has been identified which will enable the agreed changes to restrictions to be implemented.
Ewell By Pass southbound right turn ban into Cheam Road	A new restriction preventing the right turn into Cheam Road (Ewell Village bound) was implemented last year and supplemented later with a "no right turn" sign. The site continues to be monitored for instances of non compliance.
A240 Reigate Road speed limit reduction from 40 to 30 mph Ewell By Pass to a point 100 metres south of Longdown Lane North	Following Committee decision in March to proceed with the proposed speed limit reduction, the required Traffic Regulation Order was made and the new restriction became enforceable in July.Surrey police have since conducted an Awareness and Education day to remind drivers of the new speed limit.
Tattenham Corner speed limit reduction	A traffic regulation order was advertised and received no objections. Measures to impose the new speed limit were completed in August.
Plan E	A package of highway measures have been incorporated within Epsom and Ewell Borough Council's Plan for Epsom which is fully embraced by Surrey. They include proposals to return South

	Street to two-way operation and associated improvements in High Street. A traffic model prepared by Transport for Surrey indicates the measure will serve to reduce journey times through the town centre. Funding for the Plan will come from monies collected from future building developments in Epsom over the forthcoming 20 years.	
Kiln Lane Link	The Kiln Lane Link initiative remains under consideration although capital Government funding has been withdrawn; to be reviewed not before 2016.	
MEMBER FUNDED SCHEMES		
Vehicle Activated Signing to support Police Enforcement	The following sites were proposed: 2 VAS in Church Street, Epsom 1 VAS in Hook Road 1 VAS in Wells Road 1 VAS in Longdown Lane South 1 VAS in Chessington Road near Derek Avenue There have been difficulties with installtion and power supply but it is hoped all works will be completed by the end of September.	
Ruxley Lane / Chessington Road guardrailings	Further works have been carried out to enhance the appearance of the road and provide continuity by painting all guardrails in the road green in keeping with those at the junction with Chessington Road.	

	2010/11 EXTERNALLY FUNDED SCHEMES
Project	Progress
Hospital Cluster Development	Work on the St Ebbas Development progressed. The new access has been constructed and Hook Road has been resurfaced. In addition a new, shared cycle path has been created from Horton Lane to Chantilly Way.
East Street Railway Bridge (by Hook Road)	Network Rail have plans to replace this rail over road bridge commencing Easter 2011; duration 3 weeks. Operations will necessitate closure of the road to traffic for three weeks and, for the first three days to pedestrians as well. The works are proposed because a recent inspection revealed the existing structure is nearing the end of its working life. Surrey have met with Surrey Police and Network Rail to agree traffic management arrangements; the likely diversion will be via Upper High Street, Alexandra Road, College Road and Reigate Road.
Chessington Road toucan crossing	Included on this Committee's agenda is a report recommending the introduction of a toucan crossing over Chessington Road adjoining Riverholme Drive. The facility will link a newly constructed cycleway between Chessington Road and Hook Road with an existing cycle route along Riverholme Drive. If approved, the works will be carried out by developers of the St Ebba's housing estate under a Section 278 Agreement.
East Street	Proposals to introduce shared cycle facilities along East Street between Kiln Lane and Epsom town centre are the subject of a report to this Committee. If approved, it is hoped to progress the scheme this year using Section 106 funds.
Reigate Road pedestrian crossing	A report has been prepared for this Committee recommending the introduction of an uncontrolled pedestrian crossing outside 136a Reigate Road. The proposed measures will join footways on opposite sides of the road and create a continuous safe route. It is anticipated the arrangement will also serve to moderate vehicle speeds in the vicinity. If approved, it is intended to undertake works during the current financial year utilising Section 106 monies.

Beggars Hill controlled pedestrian crossing	This Committee is asked to consider proposals to install a signal controlled crossing over the A240 Ewell By Pass which will represent a valuable link between Ewell Village and Stoneleigh. If approved, it is intended to undertake works during the current financial year utilising Section 106 monies.
The Vale Primary School traffic restraint and pedestrian measures.	This initiative is the subject of a further report to this Committee. If approved, the improvements will be funded from Section 106 monies and completed during the current financial year.
Ewell Village Consultation	Details still to be developed.
Hogsmill Cycle Route	A further contribution of Section 106 monies to be targated at the continued development of this route in collaboration with Epsom and Ewell Borough Council and Sustrans
Ruxley Lane alley	Following completion of a deed of dedication for adjoining land, the path is to be widened subject to funding becoming available
Christ Church Road and West Hill	Shared cycle facilities and associated measures proposed as part of the West Park Development. Plans to be brought before the Local Committee once prepared.

## **EPSOM AND EWELL MAINTENANCE PROJECTS PROGRESS**

2010/11 MAJOR MAINTENANCE SCHEMES	
Project	Progress
	Due to funding constraints, no major maintenance is planned for the current financial year.

2010/11 MICRO ASPHALT SCHEMES CARRIAGEWAYS		
Project Progress		
Middle Lane	Completed	
Woodcote Green Road	Completed	
Burgh Heath Road	Substantially completed but remedial works specified.	

2010/11 CARRIAGEWAY LOCAL STRUCTURAL REPAIRS		
Project	Progress	
Pams Way	Completed	
Ruxley lane	Completed	
Harding Road	Programmed for September 2010	
Dirdene Gardens	Programmed for October 2010	
Old London Road	Programmed for September 2010	
Tattenham Corner	Completed	
Kingston Road	Completed	
Bradford Drive	Completed	

## 2010/11 ADDITIONAL CARRIAGEWAY SURFACING AND DRAINAGE WORKS

A further allocation totalling £86,000 has been awarded to Epsom and Ewell Borough for carriageway and drainage repairs from the annual revenue budget.

Project	Progress
Adelphi Road carriageway surfacing	Date for implementation yet to be determined.
Clayton Road carriageway surfacing	Date for implementation yet to be determined.
High Street (westbound outside nos 1-13) carriageway surfacing	Date for implementation yet to be determined.
High Street junction of Waterloo Road drainage repairs and surfacing	Completed August 2010

Location	Extents	Progress
Christ Church Road	Boro boundary to Stamford Green Road	Completed
Cheam Road	County boundary to Springfield Road	Completed
Ewell By Pass	Cheam Road to Reigate Road, eastbound and westbound	Completed
Epsom Road	Windmill Lane to Hampton Grove	Completed
Ashley Road	Downshill Road to Langley Vale raod	Completed
Alexandra Road	College Road to Bridge Road	Completed
Windmill Lane	Mill Road to Windmill Close	Completed
A240 Kingston Road	Bradford Drive to Thorndon Gardens, northbound and southbound	Completed

OTHER INITIATIVES	
Location	Progress
Safety camera in Dorking Road	Subject to funding
Safety camera A24 Epsom Road	A road safety issue has been identified and a safety camera proposed subject to funding

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