



**OFFICER REPORT TO LOCAL COMMITTEE  
(Epsom & Ewell)**

**HIGHWAYS SCHEMES PROGRESS REPORT**

**5<sup>th</sup> December 2011**

**KEY ISSUE**

To update the Local Committee on the progress of highways schemes in Epsom & Ewell

**SUMMARY**

The Epsom & Ewell 27<sup>th</sup> June Local Committee agreed an outline programme for highways schemes across the Borough. This report provides an update of works in the Borough.

**OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS**

The Local Committee is asked to note the report for information.

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**BACKGROUND PAPERS:** None

**Funding**

The Committee receives £108,000 Integrated Transport Schemes (ITS) capital allocation and £100,000 revenue allocation. In addition to this Members receive a community pride allocation of £5,000. Members therefore resolved to allocate each Division £15,000 capital and £6,600 revenue, in addition to top slicing budgets for specific activities.

Table 1 provides an overview by division of the current ITS budget:

<b>INTEGRATED TRANSPORT SCHEMES</b>		
<b>Project</b>	<b>Allocated Funding 2011/2012</b>	<b>Detail/Progress</b>
Parking (Borough-wide)	10,000*	Funding to supplement delivery of parking schemes across the Borough. Schemes being developed further to consultation results.
Longmead/Blenheim Rd crossing facility	10,000	Committee resolved to progress scheme and advertisement of associated TRO. Discussion to take place with Jan Mason on options for remainder of funds
Woodcote Green Rd / Wilmerhatch Rd splitter island	10,000	Scheme options developed but little scope to install traffic island at this location. Discussion ongoing with Chris Frost, a VAS and hard cutting back of vegetation could assist the situation.
Reigate Rd Layby (posts)	5,000	Scheme on hold until confirmation on agreement received from adjacent landowner. Alternative schemes being costed for consideration of the Member.
Highway improvements (Epsom & Ewell North)	10,000	Scheme(s) being developed further to submission of issues by Eber Kington
Highway Improvements (Epsom & Ewell North East)	15,000	Currently allocated to Parking Review and assisting with Ewell Village Air Quality study reserve schemes being developed for Member discussion.
Highway improvements (Epsom & Ewell South West)	15,000	Currently allocated to Parking Review and assisting with Ewell Village Air Quality study reserve schemes being developed for Member discussion.
Contribution towards Local Structural Repair schemes	20,000	See below
2012/13 Scheme Preparation	3,000	Schemes to be developed in New Year
<b>Total</b>	<b>108,000</b>	

\* Budget was previously £30,000, further to discussion with Parking team it is unlikely that this level of funding will now be required. Therefore the budget allocation has been reduced to £10,000 to assist delivery of Local Structural Repair Programme (see below) in consultation with the Chair and Vice Chair.

**Table 2 Local Committee Revenue Allocation**

Table 2 provides an overview of how the £100,000 revenue budget has been allocated. It should be noted that the new highways maintenance contract provides for areas of work such as drainage and lining, however the locally allocated sum will be available to top up budgets where local priorities for funding differ from countywide priorities. £30,000 of this revenue allocation had been set aside for parking improvements across the Borough, similarly to the Capital parking budget the Parking Team have identified that it is unlikely they will require the full allocation and therefore the budget has been reduced to £10,000 in order to facilitate the delivery of the Local Structural Repair programme (see below). Further to the Committee resolving to make the experimental TRO at Blenheim Rd permanent £7,000 was allocated to enable this to happen.

<b>LOCAL COMMITTEE REVENUE ALLOCATION</b>		
<b>Maintenance issue</b>	<b>Allocated Funding 2011/2012</b>	<b>Detail/Progress</b>
Ditching & Drainage	20,000	
Signs & Road Markings	5,000	To be allocated at key sites
Low cost measures	5,000	To be allocated at key sites
Parking	10,000	Funding passed to Parking team
Blenheim Rd TRO	7,000	Complete
Member allocation	33,000	Final confirmation on schemes to progress anticipated at meetings scheduled for w/c 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec.
Local Structural Repair	20,000	See paragraph below
<b>Total</b>	<b>100,000</b>	

**Local Structural Repair schemes**

Approximately £140,000 has been allocated from Countywide budgets to facilitate Local Structural Repair schemes in the Borough. The locations have been identified jointly between the Area team and Projects team. Local Structural Repair schemes tend to be short sections of carriageway eg lane width or junction mouths. They do not score as highly in countywide programmes for Major Maintenance or Surface Treatment but are considered important locally to ensure the road is kept safe over winter and life of the asset prolonged further. The following list has been developed and is costed at approximately £180,000. The funding shortfall is therefore to be made up by contribution of some of the Local Committee funding previously allocated to parking (see above). Delivery of these schemes will take place quickly subject to necessary approvals in terms of road space booking.

The schemes identified as priority are as follows:

- Poole Road Ewell
- Hawthorne Place Epsom
- Worple Road Epsom
- Aston Way Epsom
- Cheam Road Worcester Park
- East Street Epsom
- Badgers Copse Worcester Park
- Ewell High Street
- Higher Green Ewell
- Church Street Epsom
- Church Road Epsom
- Eastway Epsom

The Area Team has also requested assessment of the following roads to take place to a) ascertain if they are suitable for LSR and if so, b) obtain a costing. Bellfield Rd, Warren/Salisbury Rd junction, the junction of The Drive with Highfield Drive and West Hill Av.

### **Community Pride & Local Revenue Member allocations**

- Mason – Currently allocated toward purchase of grit bin and awaiting costs on various issues including verge posts, verge hardening and visi rail.
- Wood – Currently awaiting costings for various issues for Member consideration.
- Kington – Currently obtaining costs for various issues including bollards/verge posts
- Frost – Fully allocated to enable grit bins to be replaced in locations which no longer meet County Policy.
- Taylor – Currently allocated 2-3k to enable grit bins to be replaced in locations which no longer meet County Policy. Discussion will take place with the Member shortly on allocation of remainder of funds.

Kerbing issues – It has been agreed that a kerbing 'gang' can be procured, initially for one week by the Area Team. This order has been placed and there may be scope to extend duration if necessary.

It is anticipated that following the meetings scheduled for w/c 12<sup>th</sup> December with individual Members a more detailed list of schemes will be agreed with each Member and subsequently reported back to Committee for information.

### **Update on issues following previous Committee Meeting**

Letters of representation / Petitions

Sites visits occurred with representatives of both Auriol Junior School and Cuddington Community Primary School. The issues raised are being discussed with colleagues in parking team and road safety. It is anticipated that the issues requiring waiting restrictions should be improved as both locations are included in the latest Parking Review. At the time of writing works to deliver the agreed speed table and associated island were scheduled to be occurring on site at Cuddington Rd.

Signals study – Epsom

Members requested further detail on costings for investigating changes to signal arrangements in Epsom particularly at the Spread Eagle junction. It has been confirmed that a study would cost in excess of £10,000 and Members may therefore be minded to consider this in developing next year’s programme. The key issue here is that one location cannot be considered in isolation as the signals are linked and the impacts of amendments would be likely to be felt across the network.

Stones Road Tunnel

A verbal update on the works for the reopening of the Stones Rd Tunnel will be given at the meeting.

Parking Review Phase 6

Phase 6 proposals will be advertised for 4 weeks starting 24<sup>th</sup> November and it is anticipated the results will be presented to Committee in January.

**Highway Maintenance Schemes**

The Committee noted the list of highways maintenance schemes planned for 2011/12 at the June meeting. Continued update will be given to Members via the Bulletin and updated versions of the tables are provided below.

**Table 3 Major Maintenance schemes**

Road Name	Location	Comment
Spring Street	Ewell	Complete
Kingston Rd N/B	Ewell	Deferred until new financial year, treatment only possible during drier, warmer months

**Table 4 Surface Treatment schemes**

Road Name	Location	Comment
OLD LONDON ROAD	EPSOM DOWNS	Complete
WOODCOTE ROAD	EPSOM	TBC. Pre scheme patching if required.
WELLS ROAD	EPSOM	Complete
Ewell By-Pass	EWELL	Complete
WEST HILL/ WEST ST/ CHRISTCHURCH ROAD	EPSOM	Complete
BLenheim ROAD	WEST EWELL	Investigation this year as will require high cost treatment.
CHESTERFIELD ROAD	WEST EWELL	TBC. Pre scheme patching if required for winter
WOODCOTE SIDE	EPSOM	TBC. Pre scheme patching

		if required for winter
LONGDOWN LANE NORTH	EWELL	Complete
SALISBURY ROAD	WORCESTER PARK	TBC. Pre scheme patching if required for winter
CROMWELL ROAD	WORCESTER PARK	TBC. Pre scheme patching if required for winter
POUND LANE	EPSOM	TBC. Pre scheme patching if required for winter
FRESHMOUNT GARDENS	EPSOM	TBC. Pre scheme patching if required for winter
STONELEIGH BROADWAY	STONELEIGH	TBC. Pre scheme patching if required for winter
RIVERVIEW ROAD	WEST EWELL	TBC. Pre scheme patching if required for winter
PERCIVAL WAY	WEST EWELL	TBC. Pre scheme patching if required for winter
AURIOL PARK ROAD	WORCESTER PARK	TBC. Pre scheme patching if required for winter
PRESTON DRIVE	EWELL	TBC. Pre scheme patching if required for winter
DELL ROAD	STONELEIGH	TBC. Pre scheme patching if required for winter
GAINSBOROUGH ROAD	EPSOM	TBC. Pre scheme patching if required for winter
FIRSWOOD AVENUE	STONELEIGH	Investigation this year as will require high cost treatment
WINDMILL CLOSE	EPSOM	TBC. Pre scheme patching if required for winter
AVENUE ROAD	EPSOM	TBC. Pre scheme patching if required for winter

A number of surface treatment schemes across the County have been delayed and we are awaiting confirmation of start dates. All the affected the roads are being/have been patched where necessary in order to keep them safe through the winter months.

**Table 5 Footway schemes**

Road Name	Location	Comment
AMBERLEY GARDENS	STONELEIGH	Complete
WOODCOTE SIDE	EPSOM	TBC
GAINSBOROUGH ROAD	EPSOM	Complete

**Table 6 Winter damage schemes**

Road Name	Location	Comment
HARDING RD	EPSOM DOWNS	Complete
ROSEDALE RD	STONELEIGH	Complete
WALSINGHAM GARDENS	STONELEIGH	Complete

## Area Highways Team Contact

In order to improve the timeliness of responses and to be sure Member contact is logged appropriately, County Members are encouraged to use the [councillors@surreycc.gov.uk](mailto:councillors@surreycc.gov.uk) email and Borough Members the [highways@surreycc.gov.uk](mailto:highways@surreycc.gov.uk) facility wherever possible. This is of particular benefit as it ensures that emails are recorded and directed to the most appropriate officer to respond to within agreed timescales, lowering the risk of delayed response if an Officer is unable to check emails for a period of time eg sickness or consecutive days of meetings.

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