

# MINOR IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAMME REVIEW 2006-2007

# SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL LOCAL COMMITTEE (GUILDFORD)

## 9<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2006

#### **KEY ISSUE**

This report documents progress on the Minor Improvements programme over the past year and recommends a number of newly identified schemes for addition to the programme.

It further recommends the proposed rationalisation of Minor Improvements list as recommended by the Members Task Group.

#### SUMMARY

The Transportation Task Group met on 17 October 2005 to consider new requests for minor improvements and to review the existing minor highway improvements programme. The recommendations of the Task Group are set out in the report.

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#### RECOMMENDATIONS

The Committee is asked to agree:

- (i) that the progress made in delivering the minor improvements programme since last year be noted, including the completed projects set out in **TABLE 1**.
- (ii) that the recommendations of the Transportation Task Group regarding new schemes put forward since last year be approved as set out in **TABLE 3**.
- (iii) that a number of schemes be deferred pending the outcome of other projects or developments, as set out in **TABLE 4**.
- (iv) that a further report be brought forward following the detailed sifting of the programme by the Transportation Task Group, as set out in paragraphs 6 to 10.

#### INTRODUCTION

- The Transportation Task Group met on the 17th October 2005 to review progress achieved on existing Minor Improvement Schemes and to consider new requests put forward since last year.
- 2 **TABLE 1** sets out details of those schemes that have been constructed since April 2005 to date.
- TABLE 2 shows details of schemes remaining in the programme agreed by the Committee last year. These are not shown in any particular order.

#### **NEW REQUESTS**

During last year, 8 potential new improvements were identified by Officers, Members, Parish Councils and residents. The Transportation Task Group received a detailed presentation on each of these, including photographs of each site and an assessment by officers of the opportunity each scheme provided to meet Local Transport Plan (LTP) objectives. These schemes and the Task Group recommendations are incorporated in **TABLE 3**.

#### **DEFERRED SCHEMES**

In November 2003 the Committee agreed to create a new category called 'Deferred Schemes', which could not be progressed immediately, but which Members did not wish to lose sight of. Reasons for these include the need to await completion of major developments, or the need to assess the effects of other highway proposals. These schemes are listed in **TABLE 4**.

#### THE SECOND LOCAL TRANSPORT PLAN

- As Members are aware April 2006 sees the commencement of the County's second Local Transport Plan (LTP2) which will cover the period 2006 to 2011. The provisional LTP2 was published last year and the final version of this will be published in the summer of 2006. Following guidance from the government, there are a number of changes of emphasis in LTP2 compared with its predecessor, including changes to objectives and targets.
- In addition, LTP funding for Local Committees' Minor Improvement Schemes programmes has been reduced in the light of reduced government funding. The 'bonus' funding based on the quality of Local Transportation Service bids has been discontinued, and as a result the LTP funds available in Guildford have fallen from £850,000 to £620,000 per annum.
- At the same time, highway authorities across the UK are experiencing significant price increases well above retail price inflation. In part this is due to higher standards of health and safety, and the increased oil price with its impact on bitumen prices is another significant factor.
- In summary, reduced budgets and increased costs mean that at the very least the programme of schemes must be spread out over a longer period of time. Alternatively, bearing in mind the LTP's altered objectives, it may be appropriate to review the schemes in the forward programme to see whether all should be retained, or perhaps some should be deleted.
- To this end a further meeting of the Transportation Task Group has been arranged for 21 February, and it is proposed to bring a further report to Committee on the outcome of that meeting.

#### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

This report has no direct financial consequences, but identifies a programme of schemes, which must now be prioritised against a local strategy and funded, as resources become available. The detailed financial implications will be set out in future reports, when the availability of funds and the estimated costs of individual schemes are known.

#### SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT IMPLICATIONS

Each scheme has site-specific environmental & economic implications, which will be described in future reports as each project progresses.

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BACKGROUND PAPERS: NONE

TABLE 1: SCHEMES SUBSTANTIALLY COMPLETED SINCE LAST YEAR

Scheme Code	Scheme Location & Proposal
7/214	Stoughton Road, Stoughton Provision of pedestrian and cycle bridge
7/289	A248 Kings Road, Shalford (Rices Corner) Junction improvements
7/292	A281 The Street, Shalford Provision of Controlled Pedestrian facility
7/301	A331 BVR Tongham Interchange Junction, Cycle and Pedestrian Improvements
7/302	A247 The Street, West Clandon Provision of Controlled Pedestrian facility
7/304	A323 Ash Church Road, Ash Provision of Controlled Pedestrian facility
7/305	Pirbright Village Safety Scheme Phase I
7/307	A25 Boxgrove Road, Guildford Addition of pedestrian phase and junction improvements
7/309	A25 Epsom Road, Merrow Provision of Controlled Pedestrian facility
7/314	Puttenham Village Safety Scheme

TABLE 2: SCHEMES REMAINING IN CONSTRUCTION POOL & ASSESSMENT LISTS

Scheme Code	Scheme Location	Estimated Cost	ARR %	BCR %	LTP Links	Remarks and Review
7/120	A25 Shere Rd, Newlands Corner, Shere, Provision of pedestrian facility	£100,000	22	8	Integration Safety	Design Brief issued December 2005 to carry out feasibility study.
7/256	A320 Chertsey Street, Guildford j/w North St, Improvements				Integration Environment Safety Economy Accessibility	Part of Friary re-development
7/257	A25 Woodbridge Rd, Guildford j/w Woodbridge Meadows Junction Improvement	£120,000	61	6	Integration Environment Economy Accessibility	Awaiting funding to issue Design Brief carry out feasibility study.
7/303	B3206 Shawfield Road, Ash Pedestrian facilities	£30,000	108	27	Integration Safety Accessibility	Feasibility Stage
7/305	Pirbright village Safety Scheme Phase II	£40,000				See Committee meeting minutes for 20 <sup>th</sup> Oct.2005. Funding was diverted to implement HGV bans in Cemetery Pales & Pirbright Parish.
7/306	Normandy Village Safety Scheme, School Safety Zone, Provision of Mini roundabout	£143,000	114	4	Environment Safety	Feasibility completed. Consultation completed. Amendments to feasibility followed by Detail design
7/310	B2039 Ockham Road South, East Horsley, pedestrian facility	£45,000			Integration Economy Accessibility	Under construction
7/317	Effingham Junction Pedestrian Refuge	£10,000	57	70	Integration Environment Safety Accessibility	Deleted – Committee meeting on 1 <sup>st</sup> December 2005

Scheme Code	Scheme Location	Estimated Cost	ARR %	BCR %	LTP Links	Remarks and Review
7/313	A248 Kings Road, Shalford Provision of footway & Pedestrian facility	£90,000	30	10	Integration Environment Safety Economy Accessibility	Awaiting funding to issue Design Brief carry out feasibility study.
7/316	Station Parade, East Horsley Pedestrian Controlled Crossing	£58,000	12	12	Integration Environment Safety Economy Accessibility	Awaiting funding to issue Design Brief carry out feasibility study.
7/318	A320 Woking Road, J/W The A3 Slip, Guildford Pedestrian Phasing at signal	£48,000	57	10	Integration Environment Safety Economy Accessibility	Awaiting funding to issue Design Brief carry out feasibility study.
7/319	A3100 Portsmouth Rd, St Catherine Environmental Improvement	£70,000	156	7	Integration Environment Safety Economy Accessibility	Feasibility Stage – Member funding – Consultation Stage completed. Detail Design Completed. Awaiting Construction funding.
7/322	A320 Stoke Rd, J/W Nightingale Rd Pedestrian Phasing	£60,000	32	13	Integration Environment Safety Economy Accessibility	Awaiting funding to issue Design Brief carry out feasibility study.
7/323	West Clandon Village Safety Scheme	£80,000	102	11	Environment Safety Economy Accessibility	Design Brief issued December 2005 to carry out feasibility study.
7/324	A247 Send Barns Rd/Send Marsh Rd, Send Pedestrian phasing at the signal junction	£45,000	44	16	Integration Environment Safety Economy Accessibility	SRS scheme. Awaiting funding to issue Design Brief carry out feasibility study.

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7/325	A246 Guildford Road j/w The Street, Effingham Provision of Right Turn Lane	£60,000	35	6	Environment Safety Economy Accessibility	Awaiting funding to issue Design Brief carry out feasibility study.
7/326	Southway, Park Barn Provision of pedestrian facility	£60,000	31	7	Integration Environment Safety Economy Accessibility	Design Brief for Feasibility study issued. Member funding
7/327	Castle Hill Traffic Management	£80,000	21	5	Environment	Previously known as Quarry St/A281 Millbrook – No left turn into the A281 - Awaiting funding to issue Design Brief carry out feasibility study.
7/328	A25 Stoke Crossroads to Middleton Rd, Cycle facility	£100,000	284	8	Integration Environment Safety Economy Accessibility	Awaiting funding to issue Design Brief carry out feasibility study.
7/329	Onslow Village to station Cycle facilities	£70,000	370	7	Integration Environment Safety Economy Accessibility	Awaiting funding to issue Design Brief carry out feasibility study.
7/330	Artington to Town Centre Cycle facilities	£80,000	165	9	Integration Environment Safety Economy Accessibility	Awaiting funding to issue Design Brief carry out feasibility study.
7/331	Chilworth to Shalford Cycle facilities	£80,000	136	6	Integration Environment Safety Economy Accessibility	Awaiting funding to issue Design Brief carry out feasibility study.

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7/332	Fairlands to Westborough Cycle facilities	£150,000	72	4	Integration Environment Safety Economy Accessibility	Awaiting funding to issue Design Brief carry out feasibility study.
7/334	A248 New Road, Chilworth Widening/Improvements of footway	£115,000	N/A	3	Integration Environment Safety Economy Accessibility	Awaiting funding to issue Design Brief carry out feasibility study.
7/335	Seale & Sands Village Village Safety Scheme	£90,000	155	11	Integration Environment Safety Economy Accessibility	Design Brief issued November 2005 for feasibility study.
7/336	Newark Lane J/W Wentworth close, Ripley Pedestrian facility	£70000	0	9	Integration Environment Safety Economy Accessibility	Feasibility Stage – Member funding Detail design completed. Awaiting funding for construction
7/337	York Rd j/w London Rd, Guildford Widening of carriageway	£185,000	53	3	Environment Safety Economy Accessibility	Awaiting funding to issue Design Brief carry out feasibility study.
7/338	A25 Shere Road, Sherbourne Reduce dual carriageway to single lane (creating slip rd) and junctions improvements	43	N/A	N/A		Recommended by Accident Working Group due to high rate of accidents – Detail design Completed. Due to be constructed 2005/06. Due to overspent delayed to 2006/07 financial year.
7/339	A247 Send Barns Lane & Send Road, Send, Provision of Pedestrian & cycle facilities	£122,000	88	9	Integration Environment Safety Economy Accessibility	Awaiting funding to issue Design Brief carry out feasibility study.

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7/340	A25 Boxgrove Road, Guildford Pedestrian Facility at AA roundabout	£90,000	18	7	Integration Environment Safety Accessibility	Awaiting funding to issue Design Brief carry out feasibility study.
7/341	A320 Woking Road J/W Fir tree Path Guildford Pedestrian Controlled crossing	£70,000	0	10	Integration Environment Safety Accessibility	Awaiting funding to issue Design Brief carry out feasibility study.
7/342	A320 Woking Road, Stringers Av. To Borough boundary, footway improvements, shared cycle & pedestrian facility	£88,000	57	3	Integration Environment Safety Economy Accessibility	Awaiting funding to issue Design Brief carry out feasibility study.
7/343	Guildford Park Road, Guildford Provision of pedestrian facility from the station to Farnham Road	£30.000	146	26	Integration Environment Safety Economy Accessibility	Awaiting funding to issue Design Brief carry out feasibility study.
7/344	A3100 Portsmouth Road junction with Tilthams Corner Road, Peasmarsh, Pedestrian facility	£35,000	55	17	Integration Environment Safety Economy Accessibility	Awaiting funding to issue Design Brief carry out feasibility study.
7/345	Aldershot Road, Guildford Pedestrian facility	£80,000	34	7	Integration Environment Safety Economy Accessibility	Awaiting funding to issue Design Brief carry out feasibility study.
7/346	A281 Horsham Road Shalford Pedestrian facility	£90,000	21	15	Integration Environment Safety Economy Accessibility	Detail design stage – Funding provided centrally. See GLC report September 2005 – Construction Feb/March 2006

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Scheme Code	Scheme Location	Estimated Cost	ARR %	BCR %	LTP Links	Remarks and Review
7/347	Shere Village Safety Scheme Phase 2	£80,000	27	5	Integration Environment Safety Economy Accessibility	Awaiting funding to issue Design Brief carry out feasibility study.
7/348	A31 Hog's Back, J/W B3000 Puttenham Interchange, Junction Improvements	£150,000	59	3	Integration Environment Safety Economy Accessibility	Awaiting funding to issue Design Brief carry out feasibility study.
7/349	A25 Midleton Road, Guildford from Dennis roundabout to Ladymead junction- Cycle facilities	£120,000	106	4	Integration Environment Safety Economy Accessibility	Awaiting funding to issue Design Brief carry out feasibility study.
7/350	A320 Woking Road, Jacobs Well From Moorfield Rd to Stringers Av., Pedestrian and Cycle facilities	£150,000	67	4	Integration Environment Safety Economy Accessibility	Awaiting funding to issue Design Brief carry out feasibility study.

TABLE 3: NEW SCHEMES REQUESTED SINCE LAST YEAR, TOGETHER WITH THE TASK GROUP'S RECOMENDATIONS

Scheme Code	Scheme Location & Proposal	Recommendation of Task Group
7/351	Egerton Road, park barn – Pedestrian and cycle facilities	
7/352	East Horsley Village safety scheme	
7/353	A31 Farnham Road J/W Wodeland Avenue – pedestrian refuges (NB: to be carried out in conjunction with GBC scheme for the junction)	Task Group supported these requests and agreed with their inclusion into Minor Improvements List
7/354	Jacobs Well Rd/Clay lane/ Blanchard Hill, Jacobs Well Safety improvements	
7/355	Stoughton Area (between Grange Rd and Worplesdon Road) – Awaiting SCA submission	
N/A	Stoughton Road J/W Maple Grove, Bellfields Pedestrian refuge	Task Group <b>did not</b>
N/A	B2125 Portsmouth Rd, Ripley Provision of pedestrian facility	<b>support</b> the inclusion of these request into Minor
N/A	A320 Stoke Road J/W Ladymead, Guildford Extension of Left Turn Lane	Improvements List

**TABLE 4: DEFERRED SCHEMES** 

Scheme Code	Scheme Location	Notes
7/286	Wodeland Ave, Guildford - Traffic calming or possible partial Road closures	Deferred pending review of proposals for Guildford gyratory
7/320	Barracks Road, Guildford Traffic Calming	Previously deferred pending completion of Queen Elizabeth Park Housing development to enable traffic conditions to be monitored. It
7/321	Manor Road, Stoughton Traffic Calming measures	is recommended to be amalgamated into Stoughton Community Association package under the new schemes for 2005/2006 (ref 7/355).