



MINOR IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAMME REVIEW

SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL LOCAL COMMITTEE (GUILDFORD)

13th DECEMBER 2007

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 as recommended by the Members Task Group.

SUMMARY

The Transportation Task Group met on 26th November 2007 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.

REPORT BY

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GUILDFORD B.C. WARD (S)

ALL

COUNTY ELECTORAL DIVISION (S)

ALL

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 **ANNEXE A**.
- (ii) that the list of schemes remaining in the forward programme as set out in **ANNEXE B** be noted.
- (iii) that the recommendations of the Transportation Task Group regarding new schemes put forward since last year be approved as set out in **ANNEXE C**, supported by the detail in **ANNEXE D**.
- (iv) that, subject to the decision taken on recommendation (iii), a feasibility study into the proposed pelican crossing on the A3100 Portsmouth Road should proceed during 2007/08, funded from the current projected underspend.
- (v) that officers be authorised to proceed with any necessary actions including traffic orders, advertisements and notices of intent in order to deliver these projects as soon as 2008/09 budgets are known.

PROGRESS DURING 2006/2007

- 1 **ANNEXE A** sets out details of those schemes on which progress has been made since April 2007, funded from the 2007/08 LTP settlement.
- 2 **ANNEXE B** lists those schemes remaining in the forward programme, as yet unfunded, on which no work has yet been carried out.

NEW REQUESTS FOR SCHEMES TO BE ADDED TO THE PROGRAMME

- 3 The Transportation Task Group met on the 26th November 2007 to review progress achieved on existing Minor Improvement Schemes and to consider new requests put forward since last year.
- 4 During the last year, 5 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 an assessment by officers of the opportunity each scheme provided to meet the needs of local communities and the Local Transport Plan (LTP) objectives. These schemes and the Officer and Task Group recommendations are shown in **ANNEXE C**. **ANNEXE D** also shows the detailed assessment considered by the Task Group for each such request.

- 5 One scheme which the Transportation Task Group has recommended for addition to the programme is that to provide a pelican crossing on the A3100 Portsmouth Road, Guildford, adjacent to St. Nicolas' School. This follows a meeting between Anne Milton MP, David Munro, SCC Executive Member for Transportation, Cllr. David Goodwin, the head teacher of the school, officers and local residents.
- 6 The meeting concluded that this project is urgently required, and officers have been requested to carry out a feasibility study this year i.e. 2007/08. A feasibility study would normally address the type of crossing required (pedestrian island / zebra / pelican, / puffin / etc.), where it should best be located and would include a Stage 1 Safety Audit. The cost of such a full study would normally be in the region of £10,000. In this case however there is little choice as to the position and type of crossing, so the study can be achieved more quickly and at lower cost. A budget of £5000 is proposed.
- 7 Due to a lack of staff resources in the West Area team, a small number of projects have not made the expected progress during 2007/08. There is therefore a small predicted underspend for this financial year, and the modest cost of the required study can be met from this year's budgets. It is therefore recommended that the study proceed immediately and that funds be made available for this.

FINANCIAL AND VALUE FOR MONEY IMPLICATIONS

- 8 This report has no immediate financial implications other than recommendation (iv) and paragraphs 5 to 7. A further report will be presented, probably at the March 2007 meeting of this Committee, once LTP budgets are known. This will recommend which projects should proceed during 2008/09.

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT IMPLICATIONS

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

OPTIONS

- 10 The Committee may choose to accept or reject the recommendations of its Transportation Task Group.

CONSULTATIONS

- 11 All schemes included in the forward programme will be subject to appropriate consultation as they are developed.

EQUALITIES AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

12 This report has no implications for equality and diversity.

CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

13 This report has no implications for crime and disorder.

CONCLUSIONS AND REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

14 This report sets out the officer and task group recommendations for schemes to be included in the forward programme of minor schemes

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT

15 A report will be brought, probably to the next meeting of this Committee, setting out the funding available and recommending which schemes should proceed in 2008/09.

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PROGRESS OVER LAST 12 MONTHS

Scheme Code	Scheme Location	Remarks and Reviews
7/303	B3206 Shawfield Road, Ash Pedestrian facilities	Detail design Completed- Construction Jan / Feb 08
7/306	Normandy Village Safety Scheme- various including School Safety Zone	Under Construction – Completion due December
7/316	Station Parade, East Horsley Pedestrian Controlled Crossing	Detail design Stage – Construction Jan/Feb 08
7/318	A320 Woking Road, J/W The A3 Slip, Guildford Pedestrian Phasing at signal	Detail design Stage – Construction Jan/Feb 08
7/319	A3100 Portsmouth Rd, St Catherines Environmental Improvement	Completed except for Safety Audit Stage III
7/323	West Clandon Village Safety Scheme	Detail design Stage – Construction possible Feb/ March 08
7/324	A247 Send Barns Rd/Send Marsh Rd, Send Pedestrian phasing at the signal junction	Detail design Stage – Construction possible Feb/ March 08
7/326	Southway, Park Barn Signing and Road markings	Under construction - Completion imminent
7/335	Seale & Sands Village Village Safety Scheme	Under construction - Completion due December
7/337	York Rd j/w London Rd, Guildford Widening of carriageway [feasibility and detail design only]	Feasibility brief issued November.
7/338	A25 Shere Road, Sherborne Reduce dual carriageway to single lane (creating slip rd) and junctions improvements	Completed
7/339	A247 Send Barns Lane & Send Road, Send, Provision of Pedestrian & cycle facilities [feasibility and detail design only]	No progress
7/340	A25 Boxgrove Road, Guildford Pedestrian Facility at AA roundabout [feasibility and detail design only]	No progress
7/343	Guildford Park Road, Guildford Provision of pedestrian crossing facility between the station and Farnham Road	Construction Jan 08
7/345	Aldershot Road, Guildford - Pedestrian facility [feasibility and detail design only]	Feasibility Brief issued November
7/346	A281 Horsham Road Shalford Pedestrian facility	Completed except for Safety Audit Stage III
7/348	A31 Hog's Back, J/W B3000 Puttenham Interchange, Junction Improvements [feasibility and detail design only]	No progress
7/352	East Horsley Village safety scheme [feasibility and detail design only]	No progress

SCHEMES AWAITING FUNDING

Scheme Code	Scheme Location	Estimated Cost	ARR %	BCR %
7/120	A25 Shere Rd, Newlands Corner, Shere, Provision of pedestrian facility Total PIA's 0 [(Pedes 0), (P/C 0)]	£132,000	0	8
7/256	A320 Chertsey Street, Guildford j/w North St, Improvements. <i>Related to Friary re-development</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
7/305	Pirbright Village Safety Scheme Phase II Total PIA's 8 [(Pedes 0), (P/C 0)]	£66,000	133	5
7/313	A248 Kings Road, Shalford Provision of footway & Pedestrian facility Total PIA's 1 [(Pedes 0), (P/C 0)]	£121,000	10	10
7/325	A246 Guildford Road j/w The Street, Effingham Provision of Right Turn Filter Total PIA's 1 [(Pedes 0), (P/C 0)]	£77,000	8	6
7/329	Onslow Village to station Cycle facilities Total PIA's 40 [(Pedes 16), (P/C 4)]	£88,000	558	7
7/330	Artington to Town Centre Cycle facilities Total PIA's 17 [(Pedes 1), (P/C 1)]	£99,000	210	9
7/331	Chilworth to Shalford Cycle facilities Total PIA's 9 [(Pedes 0), (P/C 1)]	£110,000	100	6
7/347	Shere Village Safety Scheme Phase 2 Total PIA's 02 [(Pedes 1), (P/C 1)]	£88,000	29	5
7/349	A25 Midleton Road, Guildford from Dennis roundabout to Ladymead junction- Cycle facilities Total PIA's 15 [(Pedes 0), (P/C 0)]	£165,000	112	4
7/351	Egerton Road, park barn – Pedestrian and cycle facilities	N/A	N/A	N/A
7/354	Jacobs Well Rd/Clay lane/ Blanchard Hill, Jacobs Well Safety improvements Total PIA's 11 [(Pedes 0), (P/C 0)]	£215,000	64	1
7/355	Stoughton Area (between Grange Rd and Worplesdon Road)	?	?	?

ITEM 15, ANNEXE B

Scheme Code	Scheme Location	Estimated Cost	ARR %	BCR %
7/356	A320 Woking Road/Jacobs Well Road Junction Improvements Total PIA's 3[(Pedes 0), (P/C 0)]	£77,000	51	7

**NEW SCHEMES PUT FORWARD
WITH OFFICER & TASK GROUP RECOMMENDATIONS**

Scheme Code	Scheme Location	Officer and Task Group Recommendations
N/A	Wood Street Village: Various Measures including Car park, Traffic Signals, Pedestrian Facility, Road and footways resurfacing etc	<p>NOT RECOMMENDED for inclusion into the Assessment list.</p> <p>TASK GROUP AGREED OFFICER RECOMMENDATION.</p>
N/A	Manor Road, Stoughton	<p>NOT RECOMMENDED for inclusion into the Assessment list.</p> <p>TASK GROUP AGREED OFFICER RECOMMENDATION, but asked for attention to the speeding problem from Surrey Police.</p>
N/A	Vale Road, Ash	<p>RECOMMENDED for inclusion into the Assessment list.</p> <p>TASK GROUP AGREED OFFICER RECOMMENDATION</p>
N/A	Farnham Rd Wodeland Avenue Portsmouth Rd	<p>Officers made no recommendation.</p> <p>TASK GROUP considered that Farnham Road and Portsmouth Road should not be included in the Assessment list. Consideration of the Wodeland Avenue area was deferred pending the outcome of assessment for 20 mph limit.</p>
N/A	Portsmouth Road, Guildford Pedestrian Crossing	<p>Officers recommended that a feasibility study be carried out subject to funding being made available, and that the crossing be implemented subject to outcome of the study and funding availability.</p> <p>TASK GROUP AGREED OFFICER RECOMMENDATION. See paragraphs 5 to 7 of this report and recommendation (iv).</p>

ASSESSMENT OF NEW REQUESTS

Location	Wood Street Village	
Issue	Concerns about safety, volume of traffic and rat running. The request includes footways, Traffic Calming, 20mph Zones, vehicle Activated Signs, Pedestrian Crossings, resurfacing of certain roads/ footways, Building Car park and Signalling of Rydes Hill R/A at Aldershot Road /	
Raised by	Parish Council/Petition/Councillor	
Comments	Safety Scheme was carried out in 1998/1999, which reduced accidents and improved the facilities for pedestrian. There has been a total of 7 PIA's. 1 In Frog Grove Lane, 3 In Broad Street	
Possible solutions	See Issues, above.	

Annual Rate of Return (Accident reduction against cost of scheme) - **10 %**

Benefit \ Cost Ratio (A scheme's ability to deliver improvements against the cost of the scheme) **0.5 %**

3 Year Personal Injury Accident summary

Year	<i>Slight</i>	<i>Serious</i>	<i>Fatal</i>
2004	0	0	0
2005	2	0	0
2006	4	0	0
2007 (to Aug.)	1	0	0

Scheme construction cost (estimated) **£900,000**

Reduction in PIA % **42%**

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION	TASK GROUP RECOMMENDATION
Scheme NOT to be added to the programme due to low benefits to road safety. The only benefit would be slight improvements for disabled and additional parking.	Agrees with officer recommendation.

Location	Manor Road, Stoughton	
Issue	Speeding, rat running and concern about safety	
Raised by	Resident	
Comments	This road is already part of Stoughton Area wide scheme, which is on the list of Minor Improvements for assessment	
Possible solutions	Traffic calming measures, closure of the road	

Annual Rate of Return (Accident reduction against cost of scheme) - **21 %**

Benefit \ Cost Ratio (A scheme's ability to deliver improvements against the cost of the scheme) **2 %**

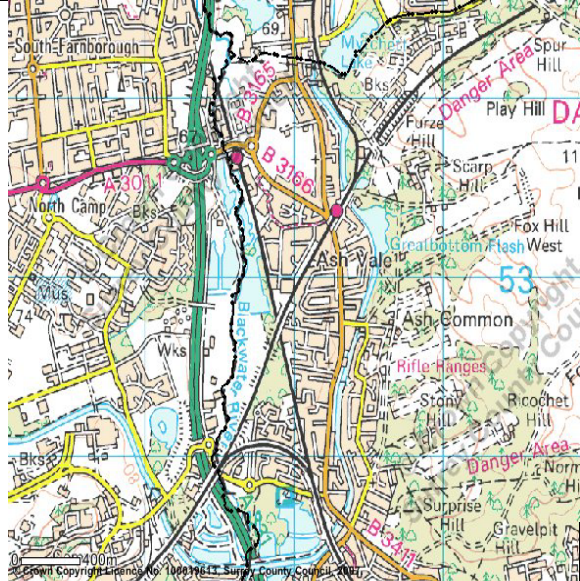
3 Year Personal Injury Accident summary

Year	<i>Slight</i>	<i>Serious</i>	<i>Fatal</i>
2004	0	0	0
2005	1	0	0
2006	0	0	0
2007(to Aug.)	0	0	0

Scheme construction cost (estimated) **£90,000**

Reduction in PIA % **65%**

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION	TASK GROUP RECOMMENDATION
Scheme NOT to be added to the programme due to low benefits and the need to be looked as part of the Stoughton Area wide study.	Agrees with officer recommendation, but requested that Surrey Police be asked to consider Speed Visor sign.

Location	Vale Road, Ash	
Issue	Road safety concerns, Accidents and speeding	
Raised by	Police	
Comments	This road has been on speed and Drinking Drive enforcement in addition to other safety campaigns. It is wide and straight road and lend itself to speeding.	
Possible solutions	Traffic/ Pedestrian islands, VA signs, Road marking and signing	

Annual Rate of Return **202 %**
 (Accident reduction against cost of scheme) -

Benefit \ Cost Ratio **5 %**
 (A scheme's ability to deliver improvements against the cost of the scheme)

3 Year Personal Injury Accident summary

Year	<i>Slight</i>	<i>Serious</i>	<i>Fatal</i>
2004	2	0	0
2005	4	0	0
2006	2	0	0
2007(to Aug.)	2	0	0

Scheme construction cost (estimated) **£95,000**

Reduction in PIA % **65%**

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION	TASK GROUP RECOMMENDATION
Scheme to be added to the programme due to potential road safety benefits.	Agrees with officer recommendation.

<p>Locations</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A31 Farnham Road 2. A3100 Portsmouth Rd 3. Wodeland Avenue 	
<p>Issue</p> <p>Safety Concerns for road users</p>	
<p>Raised by</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School Head Teacher • Resident Association Representative • Cllr D Goodwin • Ann Milton MP 	
<p>Comments</p> <p>This was a late request on 09/11/07, following a request from David Munro Executive Member - Transport following his meeting with MP Ann Milton and School Head Teacher, Local Member and residents representative</p>	
<p>There has been no opportunity to investigate or consider this request. It was also lacking in clarity of what is required of Surrey Highways. The following should be noted for the record:</p> <p>Possible solutions - Not Known Please note due to lack of information</p>	

3 Year Personal Injury Accident summary

Farnham Road

Year	Slight	Serious	Fatal	Notes
2004	1	0	0	Farnham Road has had some improvements and Speed camera and presently is not on Surrey Police speed enforcement programme. This has helped to reduce accidents since its operation in August 2007.
2005	6	0	0	
2006	5	1	0	
2007(to Aug.)	2	0	0	

Wodeland Avenue

Year	Slight	Serious	Fatal	Notes
2004	0	0	0	Wodeland Ave, has been Considered many times. The last time was as recent as March 2007, where both Task Group and the Committee removed this from the Minor Improvement List
2005	1	0	0	
2006	0	0	0	
2007(to Aug.)	0	0	0	


Portsmouth Road

Year	<i>Slight</i>	<i>Serious</i>	<i>Fatal</i>	Notes
2004	1	0	0	Portsmouth Road has been on enforcement list, however recently Surrey Police has excluded the road from their speed enforcement programme. A safety Scheme was implemented at the lower part of the road in the summer of this year.
2005	1	0	0	
2006	1	0	0	
2007(to Aug.)	1	0	0	

Please note due to lack of information available at this stage no calculation could be carried out

Annual Rate of Return (Accident reduction against cost of scheme) -	Not known	%
Benefit \ Cost Ratio (A scheme's ability to deliver improvements against the cost of the scheme) -	Not known	%
Scheme construction cost (estimated)	Not known	
Reduction in PIA %	Not known	

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION	TASK GROUP RECOMMENDATION
<p>This area has had considerable attention over many years from SCC/GBC/Surrey Police. It is difficult to justify further action in comparison with other areas. Nevertheless there is considerable local pressure to take further measures. The Committee deleted this from the programme at its June 2007 meeting.</p> <p>The Task Group's views were requested.</p>	<p>Farnham Road and Portsmouth Road should NOT be added to the programme in view of actions already taken and taking account of comparisons with other areas. Wodeland Avenue is soon to be assessed in view of request for a 20 mph limit. If this proceeds, Task Group considered that nothing further be added to the assessment list; if not, the matter will be reconsidered.</p>

<p>Location - A3100 Portsmouth Road, Guildford</p>	
<p>Issue Concerns about volume & speed of traffic and pedestrian crossing. The request is for a controlled crossing at the location where there is already a School Crossing patrol operates.</p>	
<p>Raised by School Head Teacher, Guildford M.P.</p>	
<p>Comments There are exiting facilities near to school. A pedestrian refuge about 35 meters south of desired crossing point and a pelican Crossing, 250 meters to north. In the last 10 years there has been only 3 PIA's and non-involved pedestrian.</p> <p>Local Highways Manger to provide further information at the meeting.</p>	
<p>Possible solutions Pedestrian facility</p>	

Annual Rate of Return **12 %**
(Accident reduction against cost of scheme) -

Benefit \ Cost Ratio **3 %**
(A scheme's ability to deliver improvements against the cost of the scheme) -

Scheme construction cost (estimated) **£75,000**
Reduction in PIA % **31%**

3 Year Personal Injury Accident summary

Year	<i>Slight</i>	<i>Serious</i>	<i>Fatal</i>
2004	0	0	0
2005	1	0	0
2006	0	0	0
2007 (to August)	0	0	0

<p>OFFICER RECOMMENDATION</p> <p>To carryout feasibility study subject to funding being made available centrally.</p> <p>Implement crossing subject to outcome of feasibility study and funding availability.</p>	<p>TASK GROUP RECOMMENDATION</p> <p>Agrees with officer recommendation.</p>
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