## Intermediate bid for the S.T.A.R. Box Area

The Strategic Traffic Action in Rural Areas project has been in existence for some years. One element of the S.T.A.R project is the Dorking Rural Box Project which is aimed at reducing the adverse effects of the motor vehicle throughout the area.

The main objectives of S.T.A.R are to provide:

- A more pleasant place to live, shop and visit
- Improved accessibility
- A thriving local economy
- A place where the negative impacts of transport are reduced (eg. ratrunning and speed/volume of traffic)
- A safe and more attractive place for pedestrians, cyclists and horseriders.

To date, the measures implemented include gateways at the entrance points to the rural box; 30 mph speed limits in village centres; blanket 40mph speed limits across remaining area and traffic management measures in and around Charlwood village.

The Dorking Rural Box is a large area, that if dealt with strategically, it will be possible to mitigate the effects of through traffic on the area as a whole. Whilst each Parish Council has issues specific to that Parish, it will be possible to incorporate many of the concerns/issues in the overall strategy.

Mole Valley Local Transportation Service has also been working on feasibility of other issues in other areas across the Dorking Rural Box. This work needs to continue to identify a package of measures that when implemented will have a true effect across the area as a whole. Set out below is an indication of funds required to progress and implement schemes.

2003/04	2004/05	2005/06
£150k (Local bid)	£300k	£300k
£50k		Plus unknown sum for
		2006/07 onwards