



**OFFICER REPORT TO LOCAL COMMITTEE
(REIGATE AND BANSTEAD)**

**£100,000 MEMBER LOCAL REVENUE FUNDS FOR
HIGHWAYS**

21 SEPTEMBER 2009

KEY ISSUE

To agree the use of £100,000 Local Revenue funds for parking and highway issues in 2009/10.

SUMMARY

The Local Committee has £100,000 Local Revenue funds for use on highways in the Reigate and Banstead area, this report sets out a proposed allocation of those funds.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS

The Local Committee (Reigate and Banstead) is asked to:

- i) Approve £5,000 for works in each division as detailed in Annexe A, and any amendments to be dealt with by Officers in conjunction with the County Member directly.
- ii) Approve £15,000 for an additional area wide gully cleaning programme as indicated in Annexe A.
- iii) Approve £40,000 to be allocated to allow parking reviews and parking/Integrated Transport Schemes (ITS) schemes for 2009/2010 to continue as per Annexe B.

1 INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

- 1.1 There has been £1.1 million revenue money provided in 2009/10 across the 11 Local Committees for highways. Last year's funds were used by the Local Committees for a diverse set of local priorities
- 1.2 It is recommended that a sum of £5,000 be allocated for each of the nine divisions within Reigate and Banstead to address local issues. It is envisaged the funds will be used to address outstanding maintenance requests such as drainage and footway repairs/alterations.
- 1.3 It is also recommended that £15,000 be allocated for the purpose of providing an additional area wide gully cleaning programme.
- 1.4 The capital allocations to the ITS programme for 2009/2010 were approved by the Local Committee on 20 July 2009. Revenue funding is required to progress the feasibility elements of all Parking and ITS schemes including data collection, option appraisal, consultation and the drafting and the making of Traffic Regulation Orders. It is also recommended that the remaining £40,000 of the Local Revenue Allocation be used for the revenue funded elements of schemes on the ITS programme. The average Revenue cost associated with reviewing waiting restrictions is in the region of £9,000 and the cost of the Traffic Regulation Order for such a review was £30,000 but there is a trial being conducted to reduce the cost of this to approximately £2500. Some cost of actually installing yellow lines, for example, is also a revenue cost as these are not always considered an asset that can be capitalised.
- 1.5 It should be noted that if revenue funding is not approved for 1.4 above then the current Redhill waiting restriction review amendments cannot be implemented or indeed the proposed review of the waiting restrictions in the Southern Villages and Banstead cannot be progressed any further at this time. There may also be an affect on some of the ITS schemes as items such as feasibility and consultation are now considered to require revenue funding and the costs will vary from scheme to scheme.
- 1.6 Annexe A provides a suggested works for each division and the gully cleaning programme. Annexe B provides an explanation to the Capital Recharge elements of schemes. Annexe C gives an understanding of the revenue and capital elements of parking schemes.

2 ANALYSIS

- 2.1 Annexe B has been prepared by the Finance Department as a Capital Recharge Guidance note to explain what is applicable as a capital portion of a scheme.
- 2.2 Annexe C has been prepared by the Parking and Implementation Group Manager to explain the changes to the revenue/capital allocation of funding that must now be applied to all parking and ITS schemes.

3 OPTIONS

- 3.1 There are other options available to spend the £100,000 such as all on drainage or footway issues. Other Local Committees are being provided with recommendations to spend their funds in different ways, but a common theme is the requirement for revenue funding for the integrated transport programme.

4 FINANCIAL AND VALUE FOR MONEY IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 There is £100,000 revenue funding provided to the Local Committee for highway matters in 2009/10. Subject to agreement of the proposals, expenditure will be monitored to ensure that value for money is achieved.

5 EQUALITIES AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 None.

6 CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 None.

7 CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- 7.1 It is recommended that the Local Committee approve £5000 for works in each division as detailed in Annexe A, and any amendments to be dealt with by Officers in conjunction with the County Member directly.
- 7.2 It is recommended that the Local Committee approve £15000 for an additional area wide gully cleaning programme as indicated in Annexe A.
- 7.3 It is recommended that the Local Committee approve £40000 be allocated to allow parking reviews and parking/Integrated Transport Schemes (ITS) schemes for 2009/2010 to continue.

8 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 8.1 Due to the recent changes to the division of Revenue and Capital funding it is necessary to allocate the £100,000 for highways in a different manner from previous years and this has been set out above.

9 WHAT HAPPENS NEXT

- 9.1 If the Member Revenue allocation, as detailed above is not agreed then all works on the parking reviews and implementation will stop and not proceed any further and similarly all smaller lining schemes will also not be able to proceed without revenue funding.
- 9.2 If the Member Revenue allocation is agreed as detailed above then orders can be raised immediately for the works to start on the divisional schemes and the parking reviews and implementation of these and smaller lining schemes can be progressed.

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