

# OFFICER REPORT TO LOCAL COMMITTEE (RUNNYMEDE)

# HIGHWAYS UPDATE 20 February 2012

#### **KEY ISSUES**

To report progress with the delivery of highway schemes.

To provide an update on the latest budgetary position for highway schemes, revenue maintenance and Community Pride expenditure.

## **SUMMARY**

This report records the progress made with the delivery of proposed highways schemes, developer funded schemes, and revenue funded works this financial year.

## OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS

The Local Committee is asked to:

- (i) Note the progress with the ITS highways and developer funded schemes;
- (ii) Note the Community Pride spend position,
- (iii) Note that a further Highways update report is to be brought back to the next meeting of this Committee.

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#### 1.0 INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

1.1 Surrey County Council's Local Transport Plan (LTP) aims to improve the highway network for all users. In general terms it aims to reduce congestion, improve accessibility, reduce the frequency and severity of road casualties, improve the environment, and maintain the network so that it is safe for public use.

## 2.0 ANALYSIS

# Progress of 2011/12 Integrated Transport and Developer Funded Schemes

- 2.1 The 2011/12 Committee ITS capital budget for Runnymede has been set at £133,285. As agreed by Committee on 7 February 2011, schemes for progression in the 2011/12 financial year have been selected from the schemes list presented at that meeting as Annex 1 (copy attached) in consultation with the LC Chair and Vice Chair.
- 2.2 Where available, monies derived from developer funding have been matched to Committee schemes to enable more to be afforded than would otherwise be possible.
- 2.2 Progress of schemes is shown in Table 1 below:

Table 1 – Selected ITS and Developer Funded Schemes for 2011-12

Project	Budget estimat e	Progress	Risk
A30 London Road j/w St Judes Road controlled pedestrian facilities	£15k	Feasibility and detailed design for future implementation. Due to the accident history this site is included on the County Council Safety Improvement scheme list, and may allow collaborative funding. No progress has been made with design and this may now not be completed by end Mar 2012.	
Queen Mary Drive Zebra crossing	£50k	Scheduled for construction week commencing 6 Feb 2012.	Low
Stonehill Road, Ottershaw, safety scheme	£15k	Signs and road markings only. Design complete. Awaiting start date for construction.	Low
Lyne Road width restriction relocation	£15k	Work completed.	N/A

Church Road, Addlestone, new antiskid at Zebra crossing	£10k	Work completed.	N/A
A320 Staines Road, Chertsey, speed assessment	£5k	Design complete. Awaiting cost confirmation and completion of legal processes.	Med
Green Road and Village Road traffic management	£2k	Signs and road markings only. In progress.	Med
The Causeway speed limit review	£5k	Design complete. Awaiting cost confirmation and completion of legal processes.	Med
Green Lane, Chertsey, speed limit reduction	£20k	Speed reduction measures to enable introduction of 30mph speed limit. Design completed. Awaiting confirmation of start date for construction.	Med
Virginia Water to Thorpe cycleway	£170k	Developer funded pedestrian and cycle route improvements including crossing facilities. Design and safety audit completed. Awaiting construction date.	Low
St Peter's Hospital, Chertsey	£15k	Developer funded. In-fill of a redundant bus lay-by on the A320 Guildford Road. Priced and awaiting confirmation of construction date.	Low

2.4 Overall, this programme of works is progressing satisfactorily, and it is anticipated that the majority of schemes will be successfully delivered by the end of this financial year. Members are asked to note that due to the significant overall increase in highways budgets this financial year, it has been necessary to focus the design resource on schemes intended for construction, and in consequence there has been a delay in the delivery of design only projects.

# Revenue maintenance allocations and expenditure 2011/12

2.5 The 2011/12 revenue maintenance allocation for Runnymede is £100,000, and following prior approval from Committee has been split as shown in Table 2 below.

2.6 Committee were advised on 10<sup>th</sup> October 2011 that the allocation for Parking was no longer required, and that there would be a need for this to be re-allocated. Table 2 shown below has been amended to reflect this.

Table 2 - Revenue Maintenance Expenditure Plan for 2011-12

Item	Allocation	Comment
Drainage / ditching works	£20,000	£18656 committed as at 3 Feb 2012.
Tree/vegetation works	£30,000	£22010 committed as at 3 Feb 2012.
Carriageway and footway patching works	£40,000	£41314 committed as at 3 Feb 2012.
Signs and Road makings	£5,000	£4989 committed as at 3 Feb 2012.
Low cost measures	£5,000	£5055 committed as at 3 Feb 2012.
Total	£100,000	£92024 committed

# 3.0 PROGRESS OF 2011/12 COMMUNITY PRIDE EXPENDITURE

- 3.1 The total Community Pride allocation for Runnymede is £30,000, equally divided as £5,000 per County Councillor.
- 3.2 To date, £23,011 has been committed. Funds remaining uncommitted after 31 January 2012 have been directed towards maintenance works within the respective Members divisions by the Maintenance Engineer for Runnymede.

Member	Allocation	Comment as at 3 Feb 12
Chris Norman	£5,000	£4373 committed
Yvonna Lay	£5,000	£4755 committed
Mel Few	£5,000	£4592 committed
John Furey	£5,000	£2609 committed
Marisa Heath	£5,000	£3357 committed
Mary Angell	£5,000	£3325 committed.
Total	£30,000	£23,011

#### 4.0 FINANCIAL AND VALUE FOR MONEY IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 Proposed ITS schemes are prioritised to ensure that the maximum public benefit is gained from any funding made available. So far as is practicable, Officer proposals follow the Countywide scheme assessment process (CASEM) and the prioritisation order determined by this.
- 4.2 The £100k Committee Revenue Maintenance budget is used to target the most urgent sites where a specific need arises, to keep up with general maintenance activities that reduce the need for expensive repairs in the future, and to support local priorities. The nature of these works is such that spend may vary slightly from the split as shown in Table 2.

# 5.0 EQUALITIES AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

5.1 It is an objective of Surrey Highways to treat all users of the public highway equally and with understanding. An Equalities Impact Assessment is undertaken for each Integrated Transport Scheme as part of the design process.

# 6.0 CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

6.1 A well-managed highway network can contribute to reduction in crime and disorder.

## 7.0 CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- 7.1 The Committee is asked to note the progress with the ITS Highways and developer funded schemes.
- 7.2 It is recommended that the Committee note the Community Pride spend position.
- 7.3 It is recommended that a further Highways Update report is presented at the next Committee meeting.

# 8.0 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

8.1 The above recommendations are made to enable progression of all Committee highway-related schemes and works.

#### 9.0 WHAT HAPPENS NEXT

9.1 Officers will continue to progress delivery of ITS and developer funded schemes, Community Pride and revenue maintenance works.

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