



SCC LOCAL COMMITTEE IN SPELTHORNE

LOCAL ALLOCATION 2005/06

11 July 2005

KEY ISSUE:

To agree the second phase of funding of the Local Allocation for 2005/06

SUMMARY:

This report explains the background to the funding, how it has previously been used and recommendations for the 2005/06 financial year

OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Committee is asked to agree that:

- (i) the second phase of funding as indicated on Annex A be approved.

1. INTRODUCTION & BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The Leader of the County Council, in his budget speech, announced that the Local Allocation would be £100,000 for 2005/06 for each of the 11 Local Offices.
- 1.2 It has been agreed that, as in previous years, any under or overspend on this budget will roll forward to the next financial year. The final outturn for 2004/05 shows an overspend of £6,953 thereby reducing the available budget for 2005/06 to £93,048.

2. ANALYSIS & COMMENTARY

- 2.1 Funding allocated during 2004/05 was used to carry out feasibility studies to support the Local Transport Plan programme with the remainder allocated to carry out small works projects. However, it should be noted that at the start of the 2004/05 financial year there was a total funding budget of £169,500 created by several underspends from previous years.
- 2.2 The Local Transport Plan budgets have been reduced not only for 2005/06 but also the indicative funding for 2006 to 2011. With this in mind the Local Committee agreed to revise the forward programme (minute 140/04 refers), and much of the feasibility work for the schemes coming up for implementation in the near future have had their feasibility studies completed. This will enable the majority of the funding to be used for small scheme works during 2005/06.
- 2.3 At the Local Committee meeting on the 25th April 2005 members received a report relating to Staines Town Centre traffic, and the use of the Paramics (**PARALLEL MICROSCOPIC SIMULATION**) model. Members agreed to fund this work from the Local Allocation at an estimated cost of £46,300. However, clarification on the use of Capital funding has since been received and funding this type of work using Capital funding is not considered appropriate. Therefore, the Local Transportation Director has commissioned this work using Section 106 funding to enable the works to proceed and meet the required programme.
- 2.4 Unfortunately, the same rules apply to the £2,000 funding allocated to the motorcycle 'Education/ training' day which was aimed particularly at the 16 to 20 year age group, who statistically appear to be the highest number of casualties on motorcycles. Other sources of funding are being sought by the Road Safety Group to enable this event to be undertaken.

New Schemes

- 2.5 Members may wish to allocate £10,000 for the provision of signing to protect grass verges under the Surrey Act 1985, enabling enforcement action to be undertaken at specified locations, as detailed in item 12.
- 2.6 Members may wish to allocate £2500 for the provision of an Heavy Goods Vehicle ban at Upper Halliford Road (Service Road) as detailed in item 14.

3. CONSULTATIONS

- 3.1 The planned dates for the consultation process have been indicated within Annex A.

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 There will be a need for close financial management of this budget and any 'savings' or 'overspends' will require addressing to enable the overall budget to balance. At the end of the financial year, any 'savings' or 'overspends' will need to be carried forward into 2006/07.

5. SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 The planned work programme contained within Annex A is directed at achieving the Local Transport Plan objectives and targets.

6. CRIME & DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 The planned work programme contained within Annex A will endeavour to achieve the objectives of the Crime & Disorder Reduction Strategy for Spelthorne 2002-2005

7. EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 There are no implications arising from this report

8. CONCLUSION & REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION

- 8.1 With the revised LTP funding for Integrated Transport, there is now a need to focus on schemes that will be able to be implemented in the near future and complete all the necessary feasibility, outline design and consultation work to enable these schemes to be introduced without delay. It is felt that the Local Transportation Service has achieved the majority of this work, enabling the County Council to provide the Government with good progress figures of schemes implemented, therefore reaching the targets that the County Council has set itself.

- 8.2 With this in mind, it has given us the opportunity to carry out some small scheme work to assist with reaching the objectivities and targets of the Local Transport Plan and the targets set in the Local Strategic Partnership Community Plan for Spelthorne 'Getting Around Spelthorne'

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ANNEX A

Location & Description	Electoral Division	Est. Works Cost	Fees & Consultation Costs	Planned Design	Consultation Period	Report to Committee	Planned Construction
Cycle Facilities	District	£10,000	Nil	July 2005	4 July Cycle Forum	25 April 2005	Autumn 2005
Grass Verge signing (Surrey Act 1985)	District	£10,000	Nil	August / September 2005	Electoral Division Members	11 July 2005	November 2005
Heavy Goods Vehicle Restriction Upper Halliford Road (Service Road)	Halliford and Lower Sunbury	£2,000	£500	June 2005	Traffic Order Advert – July 2005	11 July 2005	September 2005