



## **OFFICER REPORT TO LOCAL COMMITTEE (Spelthorne)**

**£70,000 capital budget for highways 2010 / 2011**

**21 September 2010**

### **KEY ISSUE**

To seek approval for expenditure of a £70,000 capital budget for highways in Spelthorne in the 2010 / 2011 financial year.

### **SUMMARY**

The Leader of Surrey County Council on 20 July 2010 announced £1m extra funding for the council's roads. He stated that each of the 11 local committees would be asked how and where the money should be spent. The budget available to the Spelthorne Local Committee is £70,000. It is important that proposals are agreed for expenditure on schemes that can be implemented during the current financial year. This reports sets out two options for expenditure of the £70,000.

### **OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS**

**The Local Committee (Spelthorne) is asked to:**

- (i) approve use of the £70,000 capital funds for Spelthorne as set out in paragraph 3.2 for Option 1 or Option 2.

## 1 INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The Leader of the Surrey County Council made a verbal statement at the meeting of the Council on 20 July, in which he announced £1m extra funding for the council's roads. He stated that each of the 11 local committees would be asked how and where the money should be spent.
- 1.2 The Leader asked that the money be allocated based on a formula looking at total road length and population. The amount for each committee is set out below, with Spelthorne receiving £70,000.

Elmbridge	101,000
Epsom & Ewell	54,000
Guildford	132,000
Mole Valley	92,000
Reigate & Banstead	112,000
Runnymede	67,000
Spelthorne	70,000
Surrey Heath	77,000
Tandridge	92,000
Waverley	131,000
Woking	73,000

## 2 ANALYSIS

- 2.1 The £70,000 is capital funding. It could be used for Integrated Transport schemes, parking schemes, carriageway surfacing schemes, footway schemes and drainage schemes. The funding should not be used for revenue items, however the Local Committee has already allocated funds for tree and footway works and to jointly fund with the London Borough of Hounslow the design of Clockhouse Lane pedestrian / cycle bridge.
- 2.2 The Head of Surrey Highways wrote to members of the Local Committee setting out some suggestions for utilising the funds during the current financial year however there is a proposal to allocate this funding equally across the Divisions. To ensure schemes can be implemented speedily design work needs to be minimal so funds could be allocated to integrated transport schemes where the design work is complete, carriageway patching or footway improvements.
- 2.3 Patching schemes that have been priced for Spelthorne would all cost over £10,000 and the only integrated transport schemes that have already been designed are drainage works to A308 Kingston Road and a revised roadmarking layout for Sunbury Cross Roundabout.

### 3 OPTIONS

3.1 Some Members have suggested some local priorities for the funding and two options are set out below. Schemes of carriageway patching and footway improvements are generally more achievable within the time constraints than integrated transport schemes that require detailed design. work.

3.2 Two proposed options are set out below:

#### Option 1

Division	Scheme	Cost
Staines South & Ashford West	Improve footways	10,000
Laleham & Shepperton	Improve footways	10,000
Staines	Improve footways	10,000
Ashford	A308 Kingston Road Cycle Route – Improve drainage	5,000
Ashford	Improve footways	5,000
Sunbury Common & Ashford Common	Sunbury Cross roadmarkings	10,000 **
Lower Sunbury & Halliford	Sunbury Cross roadmarkings	10,000 **
Stanwell & Stanwell Moor	Bedfont Road – Surface treatment	10,000

\*\* note total estimated scheme cost is £20,000

#### Option 2

Division	Scheme	Cost
Staines South & Ashford West	Improve footways	10,000
Laleham & Shepperton	Improve footways	10,000
Staines	Improve footways	10,000
Ashford	Improve footways	10,000
Sunbury Common & Ashford Common	Improve footways	10,000
Lower Sunbury & Halliford	Improve footways	10,000
Stanwell & Stanwell Moor	Bedfont Road – Surface treatment	10,000

#### **4 CONSULTATIONS**

- 4.1 Members of the Local Committee were consulted however not all views were known at the time of compiling this report.

#### **5 FINANCIAL AND VALUE FOR MONEY IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.1 The works delivered are subject to robust discussions over value for money

#### **6 EQUALITIES AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS**

- 6.1 Surrey Highways always endeavours to undertake works on the public highway that do not prejudice any user group.

#### **7 CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS**

- 7.1 There are no direct implications for this report.

#### **8 CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 8.1 The Local Committee for Spelthorne has a budget of £70,000 for use on capital highways schemes in 2010/11. Paragraph 3.2 above sets out two options for the proposed allocations.

#### **9 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 9.1 To allow officers to use the £70,000 capital funding as approved by the Local Committee.

#### **10 WHAT HAPPENS NEXT**

- 10.1 Once the recommendations have been approved, officers will progress the works with Ringway.

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