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**LEADER'S STATEMENT**  
**EXTRA £5 MILLION HIGHWAYS ALLOCATION**

As you will know, at Executive I proposed an extra £5 million of Highways funding for the County.

I am now pleased to circulate the final allocation of the £5 million for the Highways service, broken down by district/borough. The breakdown has been calculated using a formula weighted towards road length, with emphasis on the A and B roads that carry the heaviest traffic. However we have also taken into account population and the accident history data where accidents have resulted in fatalities or serious injuries.

The money will be distributed by the Head of Highways, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder and myself. This will be informed by the existing major maintenance, surface treatment and ITS schemes lists and discussions that have been held with the Local Committee Chairman and Vice Chairman. The Head of Service and Local Highway Managers are currently costing the prioritised requests and will aim to confirm which projects will be funded and delivered this financial year by 15 August 2008.

|                                    | <b>Percentage x<br/>£5,000,000</b> |
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| <b>01 - RUNNYMEDE</b>              | £325,032.81                        |
| <b>02 - SPELTHORNE</b>             | £313,003.03                        |
| <b>03 - SURREY HEATH</b>           | £403,124.68                        |
| <b>04 - WOKING</b>                 | £342,918.75                        |
| <b>05 - ELMBRIDGE</b>              | £434,066.64                        |
| <b>06 - EPSOM &amp; EWELL</b>      | £266,309.22                        |
| <b>07 - GUILDFORD</b>              | £673,660.69                        |
| <b>08 - MOLE VALLEY</b>            | £522,266.05                        |
| <b>09 - REIGATE &amp; BANSTEAD</b> | £513,583.84                        |
| <b>10 - TANDRIDGE</b>              | £510,293.28                        |
| <b>11 - WAVERLEY</b>               | £695,740.99                        |

I am hoping that Members of the Local Committees and the Chairmen in particular will do all they can to ensure that we spend the funds that have been allocated and that works are implemented as soon as possible. There have been too many cases in

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recent years where the programmes are not delivered and allocated funding not spent within the period intended.

I have also personally asked Highway Officers to do as much as they can to expedite works with our constructors.

The demand for increased maintenance and investment on our roads continues to outstrip our resources, but I am hoping this extra injection of cash into the highways service will make a difference and I look forward to seeing the benefits on the ground.