



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

### **USE OF £103,000 FOR ROADS IN TANDRIDGE AND ALLOCATION OF ADDITIONAL £5 MILLION FOR HIGHWAYS**

**5 SEPTEMBER 2008**

#### **KEY ISSUE**

To agree the use of £103,000 revenue monies identified in the 20 June 2008 Local Committee report about the East Area Highways Maintenance Delivery Plan. The report also gives details of the allocations for Tandridge from an additional £5 million for Surrey Highways.

#### **SUMMARY**

A report about the budgets for highway maintenance and integrated transport in the east of the County was presented to the Local Committee on 20 June 2008. The report detailed the funding allocations for the various aspects of highway maintenance and listed capital schemes to be progressed. A sum of £103,000 was agreed for spending as determined by the Local Committee. The Chairman and Vice-chairman have considered the matter and this report proposes use of the funding for carriageway patching.

This report also provides information about the allocations for Tandridge from an additional £5 million funds provided by the County.

#### **OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS**

The Local Committee is asked to:

- (i) approve the use of the £103,000 highways revenue funding for carriageway patching in Tandridge.
- (ii) endorse the extra funding and the agreed allocations outlined in the report

## 1 INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

1.1 On 20 June 2008 a report entitled 'INTEGRATED TRANSPORT SCHEMES 2008/09 – 2010/11, MAJOR MAINTENANCE AND SURFACE TREATMENTS 2008/09 AND EAST AREA MAINTENANCE DELIVERY PLAN FOR SURREY HIGHWAYS EAST 2008/09'. was presented to the Local Committee. This report detailed highways funding for;

- major maintenance
- surface treatments
- the East Area Maintenance Delivery Plan for Surrey Highways East
- Integrated Transport Schemes
- Local Transport Plan
- Local Allocation
- Local revenue funding £103,000
- drainage capital works

1.2 The Local Committee agreed to:

- (i) Note the East Area Maintenance delivery Plan for 2008/09, which includes Tandridge, and note the anticipated outturn figures for the east Area Delivery Plan for 2007/08
- (ii) To approve the programme of integrated transport schemes for Tandridge for progression in 2008/09 and the indicative programmes for 2009/10, 2010/11 funded by Local Transport Plan and local Allocation as set out within the report and that these programmes be reviewed regularly with reports to the Committee.
- (iii) that authority be delegated to the East Area Group Manager, in consultation with the Chairman, Vice-chairman and local elected Member to advertise any necessary traffic regulation order(s), to consider any objections received and subject to those objections make the associated order(s) and deliver the schemes in (i) and (ii) above.
- (iv) That the East Group Area Manager be authorised to determine any objections received in response to statutory notices in consultation with the Chairman of the Local Committee, the Vice-chairman, and the local elected Member.
- (v) That authority be delegated to the East Area Group Manager, in consultation with the Chairman, Vice-chairman in relation to any amendment to the 2008/09-2010/11 scheme list, as a result of changes in available funding following the closing of the 2007/08 accounts.
- (vi) Approve the allocation of £103,000 of Local Schemes Revenue funding as determined by the Local Committee to be spent within Tandridge.

1.3 Item (vi) above requires the approval from the Local Committee for use of the £103,000 to be spent on highways within Tandridge. The Chairman and Vice-chairman have considered the matter and this report proposes use of the funding.

1.4 This report also provides information about the allocations for Tandridge from an additional £5 million for highways in Surrey during the current financial year. These funds were agreed by the Executive on 24 June 2008. The Head of Surrey Highways and the Executive Portfolio Holder for Transport then met with the Chairman, Vice-chairman and Local Highways Manager to draw together a preferred list of works and schemes for Tandridge. The Leader of Surrey County

Council announced on 22 July 2008 that additional funding of £510,293.28 would be allocated for highways in Tandridge. The Leader's statement is attached at Annex 1. The funding is included in the budget held by the Head of Surrey Highways. This report therefore asks the Local Committee to note the list of works and schemes to be undertaken from Tandridge's share of the additional £5million.

## 2 PROPOSED USE OF FUNDING IN TANDRIDGE

- 2.1 Following the approved recommendation of the Local Committee on 20 June 2008, the Local Committee Chairman and Vice-chairman considered the £103,000 funds to target priority concerns. Tandridge has many roads that are not high on the County's priority ranking system for Major Maintenance but has poor areas where individual pothole repairs do not provide a complete solution. Carriageway patching of areas larger than pothole size is often desirable, but this work is rarely achievable within the Maintenance Delivery Plan. There are many roads that could be proposed for patching work and the highest priority sites have been identified from the County's database giving condition of roads and need for treatment. It is recommended that the £103,000 for Tandridge is used for patching work on the roads in the following list :

D1349	Harrow Road	Farleigh
B269	Kent Hatch Road	Limpsfield
C75	The Ridge	Woldingham
C69	Pendell Road/Merstham Road	Bletchingley
D412	Blackberry Lane	Lingfield
C68	Shipleigh Bridge Lane	Horley
D384	Mid Street	South Nutfield
D1397	Wellington Road	Caterham
D365	Clay Lane	Nutfield
C1353	Elise Road	Warlingham
C217	Farleigh Road	Warlingham

- 2.2 As outlined in paragraph 1.4, the list of works and schemes to be undertaken from Tandridge's share of the additional £5million has been agreed. The first use of the funds has been to take account of an overspend in Tandridge of £133,500 on the 2007/08 Local Transport Plan budget. The remaining funds for Tandridge are allocated as described in the following paragraphs 2.3 to 2.10.

- 2.3 **Patching £65,000.** This funding is additional to the £103,000 identified in paragraph 2.1 above. An additional list of roads had been generated to extend the patching programme as follows:

D1434	Tupwood Lane	Caterham
C91	Hollow Lane	East Grinstead
C90	Wilderwick Road	East Grinstead
C85	Dwelly Lane	Edenbridge
D408	Bowerland Lane	Lingfield
C84	High Street	Oxted
D1360	Slines Oak Road	Woldingham

- 2.4 **Grass cutting £30,000.** The fast growing conditions have given similar grass cutting issues to last year. Whilst high grass does not cause a safety problem at many verges, concerns are expressed about the areas that can provide clearer sight lines for drivers. Problem areas where high grass is causing safety concerns will be targeted. Information from members can be very helpful to ensure the problem areas are addressed.
- 2.5 **Gully and drainage cleansing £50,000.** A combined gully cleanser and long powerful jetter will provide a responsive facility for the many drainage problem locations that give problems. Resources will also be employed to undertake targeted gully and drainage work in areas where parked cars and traffic restrict access, such as roads in the vicinity of Caterham railway station.
- 2.6 **Drainage repairs £30,000.** Broken pipes, tree roots, defective gully gratings and similar defects can lead to safety problems that need to be addressed. A schedule of works will be produced to remedy some of these problems.
- 2.7 **Hedge and tree cutting £30,000.** Safety issues where foliage and tree branches are hazardous for highway users are a common source of concern in Tandridge. A current issue is the overhanging trees on bus routes 409 and 411.
- 2.8 **Carriageway edge repairs £70,000.** Tandridge Lane and Ricketts Hill Road have particularly severe problems with carriageway edge erosion. The additional funding will provide lasting solutions on these two roads.
- 2.9 **Parking restrictions £62,000.** The set of new restrictions approved by the Local Committee in June 2007 has been formally advertised and it is intended that implementation will be achieved later this year. Another set of sites require investigation and the additional funding will be used to develop specific proposals for presentation to local members.
- 2.10 **Speed limit revisions £40,000.** The additional sites to be progressed are :
- A22 South Godstone - 30mph speed limit and 2 vehicle activated signs.
  - Whyteleafe Hill, Whyteleafe – confirm 30mph limit
  - Buxton Lane – confirm 30mph limit.
  - Godstone Road, Caterham – confirm 30mph limit.
  - Nutfield Marsh Road – speed limit investigation and proposals.

### 3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 The £103,000 revenue funding and £510,293.28 additional funding is available for works in Tandridge. Timescales for delivery of the works and schemes are short, but the funding has to be used in the current financial year, 2008/09.

### 4 CONCLUSION

- 4.1 The Local Committee at its meeting on 20 June 2008 agreed that £103,000 highways revenue funding for the current financial year be spent within Tandridge. Following consultation with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman it is recommended that the funding be used for carriageway patching work at priority sites in Tandridge.

- 4.2 Additional funding of £510,293.28 is also available for highways work in Tandridge during the current financial year. The Chairman and Vice-chairman have been consulted on a preferred list of works that has been agreed by the Head of Surrey Highways. It is essential that works be progressed without delay to ensure that delivery can be achieved within the next seven months.

## 5 RECOMMENDATIONS

The Local Committee is asked to:

- (i) approve the use of the £103,000 highways revenue funding for carriageway patching in Tandridge.
- (ii) endorse the extra funding and the agreed allocations outlined in the report

## 6 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

To ensure that additional funding for highways in Tandridge is appropriately spent in the current financial year.

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<b>BACKGROUND PAPERS:</b>	Local Committee report 20 June 2008 'Integrated Transport Schemes and East Area Maintenance Delivery Plan for Surrey Highways East 2008/09'

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