



OFFICER REPORT TO LOCAL COMMITTEE (TANDRIDGE)

ADDITIONAL £92,000 CAPITAL BUDGET FOR HIGHWAYS IN 2010 / 2011

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KEY ISSUE

To seek approval for expenditure of a £92,000 capital budget for highways in Tandridge 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 Tandridge Local Committee is £92,000. It is important that proposals are agreed for expenditure on schemes that can be implemented during the current financial year. This reports sets out a recommendation for expenditure of the £92,000.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS

The Local Committee (Tandridge) is asked to:

- (i) approve use of the £92,000 capital funds for Tandridge as set out in Annex A.

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 Tandridge receiving £92,000:

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 £92,000 is capital funding. It could be used for Integrated Transport schemes, parking schemes, carriageway surfacing schemes, footway schemes and drainage schemes.
- 2.2 With so many competing demands for use of the funds a balance needs to be struck between priorities such as improving the condition of the highway network and improving road safety, particularly when some of the schemes are strongly backed by local communities.
- 2.3 The Head of Surrey Highways wrote to members of the Local Committee setting out suggestions for using the funds during the current financial year and with a recommendation to carry out as much resurfacing work as possible. The reason for this is that improving the condition of the highway network forms part of Surrey's Corporate Plan and is a key aspect of customer satisfaction with Surrey Highways.
- 2.4 Councillors have also suggested local priorities based on last year's integrated transport schemes list backed up with offers of financial support from some Parish Councils.
- 2.5 The proposed expenditure of the £92,000 is shown in Annex A. A price range has been given for some of the schemes as the exact costs are not yet known.

3 OPTIONS

- 3.1 There are many options available for additional highway funding, however at the moment there are two main priorities in Tandridge. These are improving the condition of the road network and the need to deliver locally high profile road safety improvements. The road safety improvements in Annex A have been chosen because they were already part of the Local Transport Plan programme but more importantly because they are being substantially funded by Parish Councils in their respective areas.
- 3.2 In addition a list of resurfacing works has been identified in Annex A identifying roads that are in poor condition and receive regular enquiries about repair works from highway users.

4 CONSULTATIONS

- 4.1 The proposals in this report have been discussed with Parish Councils and respective County Councillors who have agreed to promote these schemes in partnership with assistance and agreed financial contributions from the County Council.

5 FINANCIAL AND VALUE FOR MONEY IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 Approximately 50% of the works in Annex A will be delivered in partnership with a number of Parish Councils in Tandridge. This means that a number of highway improvements can be implemented at a lower cost to Surrey Highways. It may prove that it will not be possible to complete all of the schemes in Annex A in the current financial year, in which case additional carriageway surfacing can be arranged.

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 none.

8 CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- 8.1 The Local Committee for Tandridge has a budget of £92,000 for use on capital highways schemes in 2010/11. Annex A sets out the recommendation for expenditure of the funding.

9 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 9.1 The schemes in Annex A provide a list of highway works aimed at balancing the needs of local communities and the need to improve the highway network.

10 WHAT HAPPENS NEXT

- 10.1 The schemes in Annex A will be progressed in the current financial year.

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