

# OFFICER REPORT TO LOCAL COMMITTEE (WAVERLEY)

## LOCAL TRANSPORT PLAN TRANSPORTATION CAPITAL BUDGET 2009-2010: PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

## 13 MARCH 2009

## **KEY ISSUE**

To prioritise transportation improvement schemes for inclusion in the 2009/10 Waverley programme.

## SUMMARY

This report recommends how the Local Transportation Plan budget for 2009/10 and the local capital allocation, which are devolved to this committee, could be utilized.

Members' task groups, representing the four areas of the Borough centred around Cranleigh, Haslemere, Godalming and Farnham, have met over the past few months to prioritise schemes.

## **OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS**

#### The Local Committee (Waverley) is asked to:

- (i) Agree the new transportation schemes that will form the Waverley LTP programme for 2009/10 shown at Table 1 of this report, subject to confirmation of funding.
- (ii) Authorise the Local Highways Manager (LHM) to progress the schemes included in the programme in consultation with local elected members and associated task groups.

- (iii) Subject to approval of recommendations (i) and (ii) authorise the LHM to consider and determine any objections submitted following the statutory advertisement of the of traffic orders and notices associated with the following schemes, in consultation with the Chairman and/or Vice-Chairman of the Local Committee and relevant local councillors:
- (iv) Subject to the satisfactory resolution of recommendation (iii) above, approve the schemes for construction. In the event that a resolution cannot be reached the matter will be referred to the Committee for decision.

## 1. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The allocation of funding for Local Transport Plan Integrated Transport Schemes (ITS) within the county recognises the relative sizes of the 11 District and Boroughs and allocates resources on the basis of road length, population and year 2000 accidents reported to the Police.
- 1.2 The Executive is not expected to determine the LTP budget settlement for 2009/10 until later in the spring. However, the indications are that it will be set at a similar level to 2008/09 budgets, which for Waverley amounted to £200,000. In previous years this Committee has also resolved to direct its Local Capital Allocation (£100,000) to ITS schemes in its entirety and a decision on this will be sought at the first meeting of the Committee in the next municipal year.

#### 2. ESTABLISHED COMMITMENTS AGAINST THE 2009/10 BUDGET

#### 2.1 Complete all 2008/09 programme schemes

A separate report on this agenda forecasts that £74,500 will be required from the 2009/10 budget to complete all the schemes on the 2008/09 programme (Item 7). A number of these schemes will complete in April, May or June.

#### 2.2 Other schemes approved in 2008/09

Two schemes were approved during 2008/09:

 In December the Committee agreed to reduce the A31 eastbound carriageway to a single lane when Hampshire County Council introduces this treatment on their side of the county boundary, which is expected in June/July. The lane reduction would be achieved largely by road markings and signs, and ideally should be undertaken at the same time as the eastbound carriageway is resurfaced or surface dressed. The LHM is seeking to get the A31 west of Coxbridge included in next year's capital maintenance programme, not least due to the condition of the offside lanes. While costs may be offset against maintenance work, and possibly developer contributions associated with Coxbridge Business Park, there is likely to be a call on the 2009/10 budget.

• At the same December meeting the Committee agreed to reduce the speed limit at the Shepherd and Flock junction, Farnham to 50mph.

### 2.3 Decriminalised Parking Enforcement (DPE) reviews for Haslemere and Cranleigh

The DPE parking reviews for Godalming and Farnham were undertaken in the current year, and should be implemented early in 2009/10 (estimated costs to complete included in the £74,500 against 2008/09 schemes described above). The County Council undertook to complete similar reviews for Haslemere and Cranleigh as a second tranche, and the costs of both will need to be met from the Local Committee's 2009/10 budget.

### 2.4 Waverley Annual Parking Review

Each district undertakes an annual review of on-street parking. This is intended to sweep up all the requests for new yellow lines, disabled bays, etc. received during the year and incorporate them, as appropriate, in a single amendment to the on-street parking order. It is anticipated the cost of this review will be met from the Local Committee 2009/10 budget.

#### 2.5 Aids to Movement

The Committee will usually allocate a small proportion of the annual budget against this heading to allow the LHM to respond to requests for low cost measures such as signs, bollards, road markings, etc.

## 3. NEW SCHEMES FOR THE 2009/10 PROGRAMME

- 3.1 In the past three months the LHM has met with the four local Transportation Task Groups for Waverley to prioritise Integrated Transport Schemes in each area for possible inclusion in the 2009/10 programme. In February the Waverley Local Transportation Task Group met to consider feedback from the four local groups and to determine an overall priority list with due regard to the likely budget and probable costs.
- 3.2 The table below reflects this prioritisation process. Schemes in the second column are prioritised for construction in 2009/10. Those in the third are to be progressed through feasibility and consultation as

funding permits. In some cases external funding may permit construction as indicated.

	Construct	Feasibility/Design
Cranleigh and Eastern	Wonersh Village Safety	Bramley Gateways
Villages	Scheme	(Parish funding)
	Hascombe Village	Blackheath Gateway
	Safety Scheme	(Parish funding)
	Elmbridge Rd,	
	Cranleigh Vehicle	
	Activated Sign (VAS)	
		Tilford Dood Doocor
Haslemere and Western Villages	Weyhill new pedestrian crossing	Tilford Road, Beacon Hill calming scheme
Villages	Clossing	(S106 funding)
	Hale House Lane,	A286 Midhurst Rd: Hill
	Churt: reduced limit	Rd to County Boundary
		calming (S106 funding)
	St Mary's School,	
	Frensham Safe Route	
	to School (SRS)	
Farnham	Potter's Gate SRS	A325 Farnborough Rd
		pedestrian crossing
		Crossing at Fox PH,
		Bourne
Godalming, Milford and	Chalk Rd/Deanery Rd	Witley Infants SRS
Witley	junction improvement	(school funding
		contribution)
	Roke Lane, Chandler's School SRS	Station Lane, Milford reduced speed limit
		(S106 funding)

## Table 1: New 2009/10 Programme Schemes

## 3. CONSULTATIONS

3.1 Consultations were carried out by means of members' Task Groups as detailed above. Where appropriate, public and other consultations will be completed for individual schemes.

### 4. FINANCIAL AND VALUE FOR MONEY IMPLICATIONS

4.1 It is anticipated that the Committee will be have available a combined Local Allocation and Devolved LTP budget of £300,000. This report recommends how that budget should be deployed, but does not assign costs to programme elements at this stage since further scheme development is required before this can reasonably be done. It is unlikely that the available budget will permit the completion of all established commitments as well as all new schemes. As cost estimates are refined through the year the programme will be adjusted in consultation with the Chairman and appropriate local members.

### 5. EQUALITIES AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

5.1 There are no specific equalities or diversity implications for this report.

## 6. CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

6.1 Promoting safe use of roads remains a priority for the Safer Waverley Partnership.

#### 7. CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

7.1 The Committee is asked to agree a programme of schemes and a provisional decision will allow work on prioritised schemes to progress, subject to funding being confirmed.

#### 8. WHAT HAPPENS NEXT

8.1 A report will be brought to the next meeting of the Committee to confirm the budget allocation for Waverley, and to seek agreement for any adjustments to the programme that may result.

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