

OFFICER REPORT TO LOCAL COMMITTEE (WAVERLEY)

LOCAL COMMITTEE HIGHWAYS CAPITAL AND REVENUE BUDGETS AND RECOMMENDED ALLOCATIONS FOR 2013/14

14 DECEMBER 2012

KEY ISSUE

This report sets out the anticipated capital and revenue budgets available to this committee for the financial year 2013/14 and recommends how those budgets should be used.

SUMMARY

During November Task Groups (TG) representing the four areas of the Borough centred around Cranleigh, Haslemere, Godalming and Farnham, met to prioritise highway improvement schemes (Integrated Transport Schemes – ITS) for their respective areas. The Local Transportation Plan (LTP) Task Group met on 26 November to consider these prioritised lists, and recommend a programme of ITS and other works for 2013/14 to this Committee.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS

The Local Committee (Waverley) is asked to:

(i) Agree that the improvement (ITS) schemes described in this report form the Waverley Local Transport Plan (LTP) programme for 2013/14, with Maintenance Capital and Revenue funding reserved to implement the programme.

- (ii) Authorise the Area Highway Manager (AHM) 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 AHM to consider and determine any objections submitted following the statutory advertisement of the traffic orders and notices associated with the programme of schemes, in consultation with the Chairman and/or Vice-Chairman of the Local Committee and relevant local councillors.
- (iv) Agree that Community Pride funding is devolved to each County Councillor based on an equitable allocation of £5,000 per division

1. EXPECTED ALLOCATIONS TO WAVERLEY IN 2013/14

1.1 It is anticipated that 2013/14 allocations to the Local Committee (Waverley) will be identical to those in the current year, 2012/13, as follows:

£262,000 ITS Capital

Usually directed towards ITS schemes.

£262,000 Maintenance Capital

Intended for capital maintenance work, but can be directed towards ITS.

£317,00 Maintenance Revenue

This allocation can also be used for capital maintenance or ITS schemes.

TOTAL £841,000

£45,000 Community Pride

The same allocation as in 2011/12, the first time this budget was introduced, when the committee agreed that £5,000 be assigned to each of it's nine SCC members.

2. FUNDING FROM PLANNING INFRASTRUCTURE CONTRIBUTIONS

2.1 In April 2008 Waverley Borough Council adopted a Planning Infrastructure Contributions (PIC) scheme whereby small developments generate a contribution towards transportation.

- 2.2 In January 2012 the AHM was advised that since inception PIC has generated a total of £215,000 in transportation contributions across the whole borough; see **Annex 1**.
- 2.3 Where a planning application has been granted following appeal, the associated PIC funding will be tied to a specific highway measure, otherwise the AHM understands the money can be used on any highway scheme/measure in the vicinity of the development that generated the contribution.
- 2.4 PIC funding will be used wherever possible to support the agreed ITS programme for 2013/14.

2012/13 ITS PROGRAMME

3.1 The report at Item 8 on this agenda provides an update on the progress of ITS schemes included in the 2012/13 programme, and confirms that two schemes were deferred to 2013/14 at the September meeting of the Local Committee (Marshall Road Link, Godalming and Long Bridge Crossing, Farnham), and that it is now necessary to defer a third (footway at The Street, Wonersh).

4. 2013/14 ITS AND OTHER WORKS PROGRAMME

- 4.1 During November the Task Groups representing the four areas of Waverley centred around Cranleigh, Haslemere, Godalming and Farnham, prioritised highway improvement schemes for their respective areas.
- 4.2 The LTP Task Group met on 26 November to consider feedback from the four local Groups, and determine an overall ITS priority list.
- 4.3 The LTP Task Group recommended the following:-

Reserve funding for Lengthsman Scheme £20,000

Implement Parking Review recommendations £15,000

Jetter for 3 weeks £15,000

Ad-hoc signs, lines, bollards, etc by local team £10,000

Total £60,000

With the balance of available funding, £781,000 excluding Community Pride, directed towards the following programme of ITS schemes:

[Note that the Lengthsman scheme is a new initiative where parish and town councils are invited to bid for funding to organise enhanced highway maintenance works themselves (for instance additional verge cuts or cleaning signs)].

Complete Deferred 2012/13 Schemes	Comment
Marshall Road Cycle Link	
Long Bridge Pedestrian Crossing	
Footway at The Street, Wonersh (See Item 8)	
'New' Schemes	
Shared f'way/cycle link Cranleigh to Ewhurst	£75k developer contribution in place. High cost scheme, so split construction costs over 2013/14 & 2014/15
Ewhurst C of E school crossing refuge	Feasibility work only in 2013/14
Extend upgraded lighting in Cranleigh High Street	
Cranleigh declutter/environmental enhancement scheme.	
Improved pedestrian facilities in Dunsfold Rd, Alfold.	Feasibility work only in 2013/14
Pedestrian crossing at The Crown PH, Chiddingfold	Feasibility work only in 2013/14
Extend A281 30mph limits north and south of village, Bramley	
Speed limit review Lickfold Rd, Rowledge	
Speed Management scheme, Wrecclesham Hill	
Safety scheme to assist walking to school, Rowledge	
Pedestrian Refuge in Drovers Way, Farnham	
Pedestrian crossing at Vicarage Walk, Godalming	
Speed limit reviews: A283 Chichester Hall, Sandhills Rd/Brook Rd, Combe Lane, A286 Brook to Lower Birtley, Station Lane (Milford)	

Pedestrian crossing facilities in	Feasibility work only in 2013/14
Staion Rd, Godalming Flooding in Lower Street at Fosters	Feasibility work only in 2013/14
Bridge, Haslemere	,
'Coomers Triangle', Haslemere one- way and junction options	Feasibility work only in 2013/14
Critchmere Hill j/w A287 improvement	Feasibility work only in 2013/14
VAS on old A3, Hindhead	
Dockenfield 'pinch-point'	
A286 speed limit review: Grayswood,	
Brook	
Western Villages: general capital and	
revenue drainage works	
Mobile VAS for the Police: Haslemere	
& Western Villages	
Prohibit left turn Critchmere Hill	Not considered by LTP TG: see Item
southern arm to A287 Hindhead	8
Road, Shottermill.	

5. 2012/3 SECTION 106 FUNDED SCHEMES

- 5.1 Developer funding is in hand to progress the following improvement schemes in 2012/13, which are specified in individual planning agreements.
 - Farnham: Controlled pedestrian crossing on the A31 at Coxbridge Roundabout (In design; £120k S106 in place. Costs will be higher: further S106 pending.)
- 5.1 A number of relatively small S106 deposits are held by SCC, and the Task Group asked officers to assign these to schemes in the proposed ITS programme wherever possible.

6. COMMUNITY PRIDE

6.1 In order to allow County Councillors the flexibility to promote projects in their division it is recommended that the Local Committee delegate funding and decision making to each County Councillor on the basis of a £5,000 per member allocation. Two or more members may pool their funding across divisional boundaries.

7. CONSULTATIONS

7.1 Consultations have been carried out by means of member task groups as detailed above. Where appropriate, public and other consultations will be completed for individual schemes.

8. FINANCIAL AND VALUE FOR MONEY IMPLICATIONS

8.1 Since 28 April 2011 highways works have been undertaken by the County Council's new contractors, coordinated by May Gurney, who have been appointed following a rigorous tendering and selection process aimed at achieving the best value for money.

9. EQUALITIES AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

9.1 It is an objective of Surrey Highways to treat all users of the public highway equally and with understanding.

10. CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

10.1 A well-managed highway network can contribute to reduction in crime and disorder as well as improve people's perception of crime.

11. CONCLUSION AND REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

11.1 As above.

12. WHAT HAPPENS NEXT

12.1 Assuming that the recommendations are agreed, officers will proceed with implementation of the programme of ITS schemes.

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