SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL

LOCAL COMMITTEE (WAVERLEY)

DATE: **FRIDAY 9 DECEMBER 2016**

LEAD OFFICER: **JOHN HILDER - AREA HIGHWAYS MANAGER (SW)**

SUBJECT: **20% HORIZON 2 ROADS MAJOR MAINTENANCE PROGRAMME.**

DIVISION: **ALL**

SUMMARY OF ISSUE:

At the beginning of November all Surrey County Council members were issued with the provisional list of carriageway major maintenance schemes within their district or borough which are included in Horizon 2 (commences 1 April 2017 for a period of five years)

This list comprised schemes prioritised by Surrey's Asset Planning team based on a rigorous assessment process based of condition, road hierarchy and risk, described at **Annex A**. This list represents 80% of the overall Horizon 2 programme

The committee is asked to determine the balancing 20% of the overall programme by selecting schemes from the residual list of prioritised schemes at Annex A. This needs to be done by 31 January 2017.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Local Committee (Waverley) is asked to:

Consider the selection of schemes under the influence of the Local Committee for inclusion in the Horizon 2 (2017-2021) Roads Major Maintenance Programme.

The Asset Planning team recommends that each local committee delegates the final decision on selection to the Area Highway Manager in consultation with the Local Committee Chairman and Vice Chairman. Selected schemes must be submitted to Asset Planning by 31 January 2017.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS:

The above recommendations are made to enable finalisation of the Horizon 2 list of major maintenance schemes..

1. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND:

1.1 Surrey County Council is responsible for £8.6 billion worth of highways 'assets' – which include 3000 miles of roads, 1800 bridges and structures, 3262 miles of pavement and many thousand different drainage systems, street lights, crossings and other pieces of infrastructure. All these assets need maintaining, with very few of them in a condition that could be described as 'new'. In June 2016 Cabinet approved a new Highways Asset Management Strategy which identifies which assets should be the focus and priority of maintenance and investment for the next 15 years. This is based on getting the best value out of the assets and reviewed each assets current condition and modelled their future state based on different funding scenarios. The strategy has recommended that the highways service should rebalance its investment across the assets it owns, in order to maintain the current condition of all key highway assets rather than improving some while others deteriorate. This means residents will see less large scale work on the roads and more on other highway assets like pavements, traffic signals and bridges.

1.2 On 1st November this year members received the provisional Horizon 2 programme from the Works Communication Team (works.communication@surreycc.gov.uk) which is based on the rebalanced budgets approved by cabinet in the Highway Asset Strategy. This provisional Horizons 2 Programme shows provisional capital schemes planned for the next 5 years, beginning in April 2017. Assets included on the list are; roads, pavements, structures, drainage, traffic signals, safety barriers and embankments

2. ANALYSIS:

2.1 In terms of the Horizons Roads Major Maintenance (HRMM) programme, the Cabinet Member for Highways, Transport and Flooding has agreed to an amendment to the prioritisation policy. In order to ensure that an Asset Management approach is followed, 80% of the HRMM programme will be determined purely through the prioritisation criteria, these are the HRMM schemes shown on the lists you received on 1st November. However to reflect local priorities the remaining 20% of the HRMM budget has been reserved for Local Committees to influence scheme selection.

2.2 20% of the 5 year programme equates to approximately 25kms and Local Committee Chairs have decided that this should be equally split between the 11 Districts, therefore each district will be able to choose a number of schemes up to a maximum total length of 2,273m. Schemes chosen must be selected from a list of needs based schemes that have been prioritised by the Asset Planning Team. Annex A shows the list of schemes that local committees can choose from and describes how these schemes are prioritised.

2.3 All schemes planned for year 1 (2017-18) are on the programme list sent on 1st November and are in the process of being designed and programmed by our contractor which will ensure best value for Surrey County Council. The 20% of schemes that Members will be selecting will be programmed in years 2 to 5 (2018 – 2021).

3. OPTIONS:

3.1 It is recommended that the Local Committee delegate the final decision on these schemes to the Area Highway Manager in consultation with the Local Committee Chair and Vice Chair. The agreed list of 2,273m worth of schemes should be passed to the Asset Planning Team by 31st January 2017. Following this, the schemes will be added to the programme and programme lists will be updated and added to the members' portal by the end of March 2017.

3.2 Once the programmes have been published, there will be minimal change made during the 5 year period, the advantages of this include;

- Ensuring that best value can be achieved through providing certainty of work to our contractors
- Enabling effective programming of schemes on this programme with other activities on the highway
- Providing Members and Residents with confidence that schemes will be carried out when we say they will be.

3.3 If further priorities come up after the lists have been published, they should be reported to the Area Highway Managers who will consider the most appropriate way to deal with the issue.

3.4 Please note all programmes are based on the budgets that we currently assume will be available; should budgets be reduced all programmes will be re-evaluated.

4. CONSULTATIONS:

4.1 On 1st November this year members received the provisional Horizon 2 programme from the Works Communication Team (works.communication@surreycc.gov.uk).

4.2 Consultation is routinely carried out for highway-related schemes with relevant key parties, including residents, Local Members, Surrey Police and Safety Engineering. Specific details regarding consultation and any arising legal issues are included in individual scheme reports as appropriate.

5. FINANCIAL AND VALUE FOR MONEY IMPLICATIONS:

5.1 None for this Committee funding.

6. EQUALITIES AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS:

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

7. LOCALISM:

7.1 Through the views and needs expressed by local communities, and accommodating where possible the involvement of local communities in

looking after the public highway, localism is routinely considered as part of the consultation and bidding processes for highway-related works. Specific details regarding localism are included in individual reports as appropriate.

8. OTHER IMPLICATIONS:

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

9. CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

9.1 The Committee is asked to consider the selection of schemes under the influence of the Local Committee for inclusion in the Horizon 2 Roads Major Maintenance Programme, delegating authority to the Area Highway Manager in consultation with the Local Committee Chairman and Vice Chairman to finalise the list of schemes for inclusion by 31st January 2017.

10. WHAT HAPPENS NEXT:

10.1 If the recommendation is agreed then the Area Highway Manager in consultation with the Local Committee Chair and Vice Chair, will approve the final list of 2,273m worth of schemes and pass these Asset Planning Team by 31st January 2017. Following this, the schemes will be added to the programme and programme lists will be updated and added to the members' portal by the end of March 2017.

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- **Consulted:**

  All Divisional Members,

- **Annexes:**

  Annex A - Horizon 2 (2017-2021) – Waverley Local Committee scheme consideration

- **Sources/background papers:**

  None.