

SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL

LOCAL COMMITTEE (RUNNYMEDE)

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SUBJECT: HIGHWAYS UPDATE

DIVISION: ALL

<p><u>SUMMARY OF ISSUE:</u></p> <p>To report progress made with the delivery of proposed highways and developer funded schemes, and revenue funded works for the 2016/17 financial year.</p> <p>To provide an update on the latest budgetary position for highway schemes, revenue maintenance and Community Enhancement expenditure.</p> <p>To report on relevant topical Highways matters.</p>
<p><u>RECOMMENDATIONS:</u></p> <p>The Local Committee (Runnymede) is asked to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Note the progress with schemes and revenue funded works for the 2016/17 financial year. (ii) Note the budgetary position. (iii) Note that a further Highways Update will be brought to the next meeting of this Committee.
<p><u>REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS:</u></p> <p>The above recommendations are made to enable progression of all highway related schemes and works.</p>

1. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND:

- 1.1 Surrey County Council's Local Transport Plan (LTP) states the aim of improving the highway network for all users, through measures such as reducing congestion, improving accessibility, reducing personal injury accidents, improving the environment and maintaining the highway network so that it is safe for all users.

2. ANALYSIS:

2.1 Capital Works Programme for 2016/17

- 2.1.1 The 2016/17 Committee capital budget for Runnymede is £228,961 (a reduction of £37,811 from the 2015/16 capital allocation). In addition, £48,562 capital funding has been carried forward from 2015/16 to facilitate works not completed giving an overall budget of £277,523.
- 2.1.2 The capital works programme for 2016/17 shown in table 1 was approved by the Local Committee at its public meeting held on 30 November 2016.
- 2.1.3 This list is presented in priority order and makes allowance for contingency schemes. It is proposed that the Committee adopt a flexible approach to the list so that as schemes develop, the programme can be adapted to the available budget.

Scheme Name	Detail/Limits	Progress	Estimated Cost (£)
Tite Hill Traffic Calming Measures	Install traffic calming measures (scheme to be part funded with developer contributions) subject to public consultation	Public consultation & detailed design complete. Cushions advertised. Construction due to start 20 February 2017.	£41,000
Stonehill Road	Install vehicle activated signs at junction with Foxhills Road	Quotes received. Scheme unaffordable within available budget & no longer being progressed.	£0
Egham High Street	Install measures to control access to pedestrian zone.	Detailed design complete. Supplier appointed. Publicity undertaken. Traffic order advertised. Trial holes dug. Electrical works to be completed Feb. Installation of bollards due March 2017.	£53,000
New Haw Road – Pedestrian Crossing Improvements	Feasibility study to assess options for improving pedestrian crossing facilities near junction with Byfleet Road.	Design brief issued. Feasibility study complete. Detailed design of low cost improvements being	£8,000

		completed.	
A30 London Road/Christchurch Road – Right turn filter (ITS)	Carry out a feasibility study examining the possible introduction of a dedicated phase with a right turn filter signal for drivers turning right into the Wheatsheaf pub.	Carried forward from 2016/17. Pedestrian survey completed. Outline design complete. Junction now being considered as part of Crown Estate proposals to expand Virginia Water Lake car park.	£6,000
A328 St Jude's Road – Puffin Crossing	Undertake a feasibility study to identify the most appropriate location for a new puffin crossing (signal controlled pedestrian crossing) near Bagshot Road before completing the detailed design.	Pedestrian survey, feasibility study and outline design complete. Detailed design substantially complete.	£5,000
Amis Avenue	Capital Maintenance (Resurface) – From no.21 to Day Centre	Works complete	£33,433
Grange Road	Capital Maintenance (Resurface) – Full length of road	Works complete	£35,316
Addlestone Road	Capital Maintenance (Resurface) – Part	Works complete	£92,992
Trotsworth Avenue	Capital Maintenance (Resurface) – Gorse Hill Lane to T-junction	Works complete	£23,915
Jubilee Crescent	Capital Maintenance (Microsurfacing) – Full length of road	Contingency scheme	£13,520
Bois Hall Road	Capital Maintenance (Microsurfacing) – Full length of road	Contingency scheme	£36,480
Heron Dale	Capital Maintenance (Microsurfacing) – Full length of road	Contingency scheme	£11,550
Wren Crescent	Capital Maintenance (Microsurfacing) – Full length of road	Contingency scheme	£8,640
Robin Close	Capital Maintenance (Microsurfacing) – Full	Contingency scheme	£2,060

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	length of road		
Amis avenue	Capital Maintenance (Microsurfacing) – From no. 21 to Broadway	Contingency scheme	£7,470
Total			£378,376

Table 1 – Capital works programme for 2016/17

2.2 Revenue maintenance allocations and expenditure 2016/17

2.2.1 The 2016/17 revenue maintenance allocation for Runnymede is £138,688. Table 2 shows how these funds have been allocated, and the spend progress to date.

2.2.2 The revenue maintenance allocation for Runnymede for 2017/18 has yet to be confirmed.

Item	Allocation (£)	Committed Spend to date (£)
Carriageway and footway patching	59,000	72,761
Vegetation works	71,000	59,975
Signs and markings	8,688	6,779
Contractor OHP	Included in allocation figures	6,226
Total	£138,688	£145,741

Table 2 – 2016/17 Revenue Maintenance Expenditure

2.3 Community Enhancement Fund 2016/17

2.3.1 The total 2016/17 Community Enhancement allocation for Runnymede is £30,000. Committee have previously determined to divide this fund equally between County Councillor Committee Members.

2.3.2 The Maintenance Engineer for Runnymede will provide guidance and assistance, organise cost estimates, and raise orders to ensure delivery of works.

2.3.3 To ensure that this fund is effectively spent, and to enable highways contractors to deliver works before the end of the financial year, it is recommended that all works should be agreed by 31st October 2016.

2.3.4 In the event of no firm spending decisions being made, the Maintenance Engineer will determine suitable works and organise their delivery.

2.3.5 A summary of spend progress is shown in Table 3.

Member	Allocation (£)	Spend to date (£)
Chris Norman	5,000	5,000 committed.
Yvonna Lay	5,000	5,000 committed
John Furey	5,000	5,000 committed.
Mel Few	5,000	5,000 committed.
Marisa Heath	5,000	5,000 committed.
Mary Angell	5,000	5,000 committed
Total	30,000	30,000 committed

Table 3 – 2016/17 Community Enhancement Fund spend progress

2.4 Capital Works Programme for 2017/18

- 2.4.1 The Highways Update report presented to the Local Committee on 28 November 2016 advised that the 2017/18 Committee capital budget for Runnymede had not yet been confirmed. However, at that time it was anticipated that there would be a reduction of £32,709 from the allocation of £228,961 in 2016/17 to £196,252. Whilst the budget remains unconfirmed, it is now likely that the budget may be reduced further than previously indicated.
- 2.4.2 The capital works programme is presented as a combined programme of both ITS and capital maintenance works to provide a clearer picture of works and budgets. The programme shown in table 4 was informally discussed and agreed in principle during a private meeting of the Local Committee held on 31 October 2016. This programme was then formally approved by the Local Committee at its public meeting held on 28 November 2016.
- 2.4.3 The programme is presented in priority order and all costs shown are estimated. The programme value intentionally exceeds the budget likely to be available to enable flexibility of delivery. It is suggested that should scheme costs vary from the estimates shown, that Committee support a flexible approach that enables the matching of schemes as best as can be achieved to the available budget to ensure the funding is fully utilised.

Scheme Name	Detail/Limits	Estimated Cost (£)
Eastworth Road, Chertsey	Feasibility study to assess options for improving pedestrian crossing facilities near Tesco store.	£10,000
Thorpe Lea Rd/Vicarage Rd/New Wickham Lane, Egham	Speed limit assessment	£10,000
Woodham Lane, New Haw	Installation of vehicle activated signs between Byfleet Road and Scotland Bridge Road.	£8,000

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Chertsey Lane, Staines-upon-Thames	Upgrade existing Pelican crossing to a Toucan Crossing (works to be coordinated with signals refurbishment)	£15,000
Church Road, Addlestone	Feasibility study to assess options for improving pedestrian crossing facilities between School Lane and Brighton Road.	£10,000
New Haw Road	Upgrade existing uncontrolled pedestrian crossing at junction with Byfleet Road/Woodham Lane	£15,000
Bridge Road, Chertsey	Install increased height kerbing at pedestrian island outside petrol station.	£7,500
Trump Green Road, Virginia Water	Capital Maintenance (Resurface) – Part length of road.	£72,000
The Ridings, Addlestone	Capital Maintenance (Resurface) – Full length of road.	£35,000
Barnway, Englefield Green	Capital Maintenance (Resurface) – Full length of road.	£47,700
Summerfield Close, Addlestone	Capital Maintenance (Resurface) – Full length of road.	£13,720
Pooley Green Road, Egham	Capital Maintenance (Resurface) – Part length of road (including replacement of 6 pairs of speed cushions)	£111,200
Free Prae Road, Chertsey	Capital Maintenance (Resurface) – Part length of road.	£7,136
Total		£362,756

Table 4 – Proposed capital works programme for 2017/18

2.5 OTHER HIGHWAY RELATED MATTERS

Customer Enquiry Responses

- 2.5.1 The total number of enquiries received in the calendar year 2016 is 136,629 an average of 11,386 per month, an increase of approximately 12% on 2015. 2014 was an exceptional year with 149,000 reports, predominantly due to the floods that year. The current figures indicate that despite no major incidents in 2016 contact has increased and customer expectation continues to grow.
- 2.5.2 All reports are categorised at the point of logging, either automatically through the website or by officers. Safety defects are directed to Kier with the remainder passed to the SCC local office for further investigation. During 2016 the average split was 39% SCC and 61% Kier, for 2016 this has seen a shift to 45/55 which may be as a result of the proactive patching and resurfacing work. The volume of reports has increased demand on the area teams.
- 2.5.3 For Runnymede specifically, 6,700 enquiries were received between January and December of which 3,841 were directed to the local area office for action,

of these 97% have been resolved. This is in slightly above the Highways countywide average of 96%.

- 2.5.4 For 2016, 462 complaints were received (a 10% reduction on 2015) of which 101 stage 1 and 23 stage 2 were for the North West area. For Runnymede there were 22 stage 1 and 7 escalated to stage 2. The service was found to be at fault in 3 of the stage 2 complaints following independent investigation. We continue to work closely with the corporate customer relations team and have created corrective action plans for all outstanding actions. In addition any remedial action identified at stage 1 is now monitored more closely to ensure compliance and reduce escalation to stage 2.
- 2.5.5 Recent surveys conducted with our Highways Customer Panel showed that 75% of those surveyed were either satisfied or very satisfied with the customer service they received.

Parking Update

- 2.5.6 The 2015/16 review is complete apart from some snagging. Making of the TRO amendment order has been delayed because of an advert related to the Addlestone town centre redevelopment, but it is expected to be done by the end of this month. 2017 review site visits will be taking place in March and April, with the report on the outcome due to go to committee in July.

Egham Sustainable Transport Package Major Scheme

- 2.5.7 The Egham Sustainable Transport Package focusing on the A308 The Causeway, between Woodhaw roundabout and Staines Bridge the key business corridor in the area was substantially completed in late January 2017. There are a few small limited areas of remedial works to be carried out, which will be done over the next few weeks.



Figure 1 – New Toucan Crossing and 3m wide shared pedestrian and cycle path.

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2.5.8 In summary the works included;

- the widening of the south side footway to create a 3-metre shared pedestrian and cycle path.
- Introduction of a new toucan crossing just to the east of Woodhaw roundabout to enable safe access for pedestrians and cyclists.
- Introduction of raised tables at junctions where The Causeway meets Hawthorn Road, Claremount Road and Avenue Road.
- Upgrading of the existing puffin crossing outside British Gas to a toucan crossing.

Runnymede Roundabout Major Scheme

2.5.9 The procurement process to get a company to construct the scheme has been completed and Cabinet approval to enter into a contract under delegated authority on 16 December 2016. The contractor and officers from Surrey County Council are now agreeing the programme of work including the diversionary works of the statutory undertakers (telecoms, water and electric).

2.5.10 It is anticipated that the main works will be substantially completed by March 2018.

2.5.11 Information about both the Egham major schemes will be uploaded on a regular basis on the Major Projects web-page on the County Council's web-site (<http://www.surreycc.gov.uk/majortransportprojects>). Details will also be included on the Roadworks Alert site, which anyone can sign up to from the County's web site.

3. OPTIONS:

3.1 Options, where applicable, are presented in this report.

4. CONSULTATIONS:

4.1 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 Proposed ITS schemes are prioritised to ensure that the maximum public benefit is gained from any funding made available. So far as is practicable, Officer proposals follow the Countywide scheme assessment process (CASEM) and the prioritisation order determined by this.

5.2 The Committee Capital and Revenue Maintenance budgets are used to target the most urgent sites where a specific need arises, to keep up with general maintenance activities that reduce the need for expensive repairs in the future, and to support local priorities. The nature of these works is such that spend may vary slightly from that indicated.

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. An Equalities Impact Assessment is undertaken for each Integrated Transport Scheme as part of the design process.

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 Other implications, such as the contribution that a well-managed highway network can give to reducing crime and disorder, are considered in relation to individual schemes, and specific details are included in individual reports as appropriate.

Area assessed:	Direct Implications:
Crime and Disorder	No significant implications arising from this report.
Sustainability (including Climate Change and Carbon Emissions)	No significant implications arising from this report.
Corporate Parenting/Looked After Children	No significant implications arising from this report.
Safeguarding responsibilities for vulnerable children and adults	No significant implications arising from this report.
Public Health	No significant implications arising from this report.

9. CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 9.1 The Committee is asked to note the progress with all schemes and budgets.
- 9.2 It is recommended that a further Highways Update is presented at the next meeting of this Committee.

10. WHAT HAPPENS NEXT:

- 10.1 Officers will continue to progress delivery of all schemes and ensure effective use of all budgets.

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Annexes:

Sources/background papers:

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