

SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL

JOINT COMMITTEE (SPELTHORNE)

DATE: 13TH MARCH 2019

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SUBJECT: HIGHWAYS UPDATE

DIVISION: ALL

SUMMARY OF ISSUE:

This report summarises progress with the Local Committee's programme of Highways works for the current Financial Year 2018-19.

Committee's delegated Highways budgets for next Financial Year 2019-20 have now been confirmed. Preparations are being made to deliver next Financial Year's programmes of works.

RECOMMENDATIONS:**The Joint Committee (Spelthorne) is asked:**

- (i) To agree the (revised) strategy for allocation of Joint Committee Highways budgets for next Financial Year 2019-20 as set out in Table 4 (paragraphs 2.1.9 to 2.1.12 refer);
- (ii) To approve the proposed programme of Local Structural Repair (LSR – large scale patching) for next Financial Year 2019-20 described in paragraph 2.2.2 and Table 6.
- (iii) To agree to the removal of 33 schemes from the prioritisation list in Annex A (paragraph 2.2.4 refers);
- (iv) To authorise the Area Highway Manager to commission two feasibility studies – the first for an amendment to the one-way system in Walton Lane, Shepperton, and the second to investigate pedestrian crossing improvements in Walton Bridge Road, Shepperton, as part of the Walton to Halliford Transport study (paragraph 2.6.2 and Annex B refers)
- (v) To agree to the Area Highway Manager using part of the £30,000 Parking Surplus funding set aside for the re-validation of Staines Town Centre SCOOT region to arrange traffic surveys to design a new scheme of signs and road markings in the Staines Town Centre area (paragraphs 2.6.4 to 2.6.10 refer);
- (vi) To agree to the Area Highway Manager using part of the £30,000 Parking Surplus funding set aside for the re-validation of Staines Town Centre SCOOT region to arrange traffic surveys to understand the pattern of traffic movement into, out of, and through Staines, in preparation for a review of the arrangement of roads within Staines (paragraphs 2.6.4 to 2.6.10 refer);
- (vii) To authorise the Area Highway Manager in consultation with the Chairman, Vice Chairman, and relevant Divisional Member(s) to undertake all necessary procedures to deliver the agreed programmes.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations are made to facilitate development of Committee's 2019-20 Highways programmes, while at the same time ensuring that the Chairman, Vice Chairman and relevant Divisional Members are fully and appropriately involved in any detailed considerations.

Specific recommendations are made to facilitate a rationalisation of Committee's Integrated Transport Scheme (ITS) prioritisation list, to facilitate the development of schemes emerging from the Walton to Halliford Transport Study, and to facilitate development of a potential major Staines Town Centre Scheme.

Committee is asked to provide the necessary authorisation to deliver its programmes of work in consultation with the Chairman, Vice Chairman and relevant Divisional Member without the need to revert to the Committee as a whole.

1. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND:

- 1.1 Surrey County Council's Local Transport Plan (LTP) aims to improve the highway network for all users. In general terms it aims to reduce congestion, improve accessibility, reduce the frequency and severity of road casualties, improve the environment, and maintain the network so that it is safe for public use.
- 1.2 The Spelthorne Joint Committee has been delegated Highways budgets to be able to contribute to the objectives set out in Surrey County Council's LTP, according to local priorities.

2. ANALYSIS:

2.1 Joint Committee finance

- 2.1.1 The Spelthorne Joint Committee has been delegated Highway budgets in the current Financial Year 2018-19 as follows:
 - Committee revenue: £168,182
 - Member revenue: £52,500 (£7,500 per Division)
 - Capital: £36,364
 - Capital under spend carried forward from 2017-18: £30,500
 - **Total: £287,546**
(2018-19 budget £257,046 plus 2017-18 carry forward £30,500)
- 2.1.2 The funds delegated to the Joint Committee are in addition to funds allocated at a County level to cover various Highways maintenance and improvement activities, including inspection and repair of safety defects, resurfacing, structures, vegetation maintenance, and drainage.
- 2.1.3 In accordance with Committee's authorisation in March 2018, the Area Highway Manager consulted Committee at its informal meeting of April 2018 and allocated the 2018-19 budgets as shown in Table 1 below.

Table 1 Allocation of budgets for 2018-19

Allocation	Amount
Capital to deliver minor ITS schemes and feasibility studies	£36,400
Capital contingency	£30,000
Revenue for day to day maintenance To cover various revenue concerns across the Borough for example: patching and kerb works, minor safety schemes, extra vegetation and drainage.	£168,200
To support the ITS programme or the maintenance programmes according to priorities within each Division	£52,500 £7,500 per Divisional Member.
Re-validation of Staines Town Centre SCOOT region	£30,000 from Parking surplus
Revenue to deliver the Parking Review	£20,000 from Parking surplus
Develop strategic schemes for CIL bids The Area Highways Manager will work with the CIL Task Group to develop recommendations for schemes to develop with this allocation.	£18,000 from Parking Surplus <i>subject to agreement of programme of schemes</i>
Total	£355,100 Including £68,000 from Parking Surplus

2.1.4 In addition to the regular Highways capital and revenue budgets detailed above Committee is able to make allocations from the parking surplus. The surplus must be spent according to section 55 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (<https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1984/27/section/55>). Expenditure can cover all types of highway improvement and maintenance. The parking surplus and associated expenditure is detailed in Table 2 below.

Table 2 Parking surplus – financial summary

Surplus	Amount	Expenditure / Allocation	Amount
2013-14	£22,868	Signs & lines maintenance and additional enforcement	£32,000 (Expenditure)
2014-15	£8,407	2017-18 Parking Review implementation	£20,000 (Allocation to be used in 2018-19)
2015-16	£38,577	2017-18 develop strategic schemes for CIL bids	£18,000 (Originally allocated in 2017-18)

Surplus	Amount		Expenditure / Allocation	Amount
2016-17	£36,966		Re-validation of Staines Town Centre SCOOT region	£30,000 (Allocation to be used in 2018-19)
2017-18	£8,500			
Total	£115,318		Total	£100,000

2.1.5 Members will observe that the parking surplus account is currently under allocated, and also that monies that were previously allocated have not been spent. Monies from the parking surplus carry over from Financial Year to Financial Year, so the unallocated monies may be held in reserve for future projects.

2.1.6 To date there has been no expenditure from the previous allocation from the parking surplus to develop strategic schemes for CIL bids. Spelthorne Borough Council Officers convened the inaugural meeting of the Infrastructure Advisory Group in January 2019 – the purpose of this group is to identify potential community infrastructure projects of all kinds within Spelthorne. The intention is to make recommendations to the CIL Task Group. The Area Highway Manager, supported by colleagues from Surrey County Council's Highways and Transport Services, suggested a major improvement based on the A308 corridor connecting Staines to Sunbury Cross. This project, if funding were to be approved, would involve:

- Pedestrian and traffic management improvements to a number of junctions along this corridor, for which Committee has invested funding to develop feasibility studies – the junctions with School Road, Chertsey Road, and Cadbury Road – all of which have been the subject of petitions to Committee.
- Implementation of a high quality cycle route along this corridor.
- Improvements to bus stop infrastructure along the corridor.
- Provision of intelligent transport systems to smooth traffic flow, reduce the likelihood of disruptive incidents, and provide useful information to road users.

2.1.7 If the CIL Task Group were to approve the suggested major A308 corridor scheme, or indeed any other highway / transport improvement scheme, the £18,000 allocation from the Parking Surplus would be needed to develop these schemes to the point where CIL bids could be submitted for consideration. It is not expected that CIL would be the sole contributor of funding for this scheme – officers will seek alternative funding sources whenever there is opportunity to do so. For example Highways England have recently awarded £835,000 to construct the Staines Road West junction with School Road scheme, with funding from other sources bringing the total budget to approximately £1M. It is expected that this project will be constructed during 2019-20 and 2020-21.

- 2.1.8 Officers will update Committee with progress in the delivery of its works programmes at each Committee meeting. In addition Committee Chairmen are provided with detailed monthly finance updates, which detail all the orders raised against the various budgets, as well as the works planned for each of the budgets.
- 2.1.9 At its October 2018 meeting Committee agreed the provisional allocation of its 2019-20 Highways budgets based on the Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP) that was agreed by Surrey County Council's Cabinet on 27th March 2018. This was the MTFP that was current at the time. The provisional Highways budget allocations for 2019-20 agreed by Committee in October 2018 are shown in Table 3 below.

Table 3 Allocation of 2019-20 budgets agreed in October 2018

Allocation	Amount
Capital to deliver minor ITS schemes and feasibility studies	£36,000
Revenue for day to day maintenance To cover various revenue concerns across the Borough for example: patching and kerb works, minor safety schemes, extra vegetation and drainage.	£196,000
To support the ITS programme or the maintenance programmes according to priorities within each Division	£70,000 £10,000 per Divisional Member.
Total	£302,000

- 2.1.10 At its December 2018 meeting the Joint Committee agreed an amended allocation of budgets for 2019-20 based on total combined capital and revenue budgets of £234,318. The Local and Joint Committees' Highways budgets for next Financial Year 2019-20 have now been confirmed. The Spelthorne Joint Committee's delegated Highways budgets for next Financial Year 2019-20 are now expected to be as follows:
- Committee revenue: £0
 - Member revenue: £52,500 (£7,500 per Division)
 - Capital: £177,778
 - **Total: £230,278**
- 2.1.11 The recommended revised allocation of Committee's Highways budgets for next Financial Year 2019-20 is outlined below in Table 4.

Table 4 Recommended amended allocation of budgets for 2019-20

Allocation	Amount
Capital to deliver minor ITS schemes and feasibility studies	£100,000
Capital for patching / resurfacing of carriageways and footways	£77,778
Maintenance works according to priorities within each Division	£52,500 £7,500 per Divisional Member.
Total	£230,278

2.1.12 Committee should note that the only revenue available to Committee to cover day to day maintenance concerns across the Borough during 2019-20 are the £7,500 individual revenue allocations to Divisional Members. This means that to be able to respond positively to any requests for minor maintenance works (for example: minor footway and carriageway patching, kerb works, minor safety schemes, extra vegetation management, etc) would necessitate a Divisional Member allocating funding from their individual allocations.

2.1.13 It is possible that there will be further parking surplus income during 2018-19, which Committee could allocate to programmes of works in 2019-20, in addition to any Highways budgets that may be delegated to Committee.

2.2 Joint Committee capital works programme

2.2.1 This Financial Year's allocation for Capital ITS schemes is being used to promote capital schemes previously approved by the Joint Committee. In accordance with Committee's authorisation in March 2018, this programme has been decided by the Area Highway Manager in consultation with Committee. Table 5 below summarises progress with this capital programme.

Table 5 Progress with Capital ITS Programme

Location	Proposed works	Cost	Status
Ashford Road	Speed Management measures	£11,500 including contribution from Divisional Member	Implementation of new signs, road markings, and VAS imminent.
Charlton Village	Further feasibility work following the previous traffic and speed management feasibility study.	£3,600 including contribution from Divisional Member	On hold pending outcome of potential Shepperton Studios development.
Laleham Village	Further feasibility work following the previous traffic and speed management feasibility study.	£7,100 including contribution from Divisional Member	Feasibility study complete. See Annex D.
Wraysbury Road near Vicarage Road	New pedestrian refuge island	£10,000 to £20,000 including contribution from Divisional Member	Construction imminent.

Location	Proposed works	Cost	Status
Springfield School	Safety improvements	£8,300	Complete. Halo beacons installed at Zebra Crossing. Bollards installed to prevent footway parking.
Meadhurst School (previously known as Spelthorne School)	Safety improvements	£6,400 Developer funding available for implementation	Officers have met with the Divisional Member to identify preferred options. Detailed design in progress. Legal notice for a new Zebra Crossing to be advertised. Construction due next Financial Year 2019-20.
A308 Staines Road West junction with C233 Chertsey Road and Littleton Road (Black Dog junction)	Pedestrian improvements	£5,000 to 10,000 for feasibility study	Feasibility study in progress. Due to be published in June 2019.
Laytons Lane	New 20mph limit	£2,000 including contribution from Divisional Member	Complete. Need to commission post scheme traffic surveys.
Halliford Road, on the approach to Halliford Village	New VAS	£2,500 including contribution from Divisional Member	Installation imminent.
French Street	Feasibility study for extension of the 20mph Zone	£5,000 including contribution from Divisional Member	Feasibility study complete. See Annex E.
Stanwell Moor Village width restriction	Feasibility study for new weight restriction	£5,000 Funded by Spelthorne Borough Council	Feasibility study in progress. Public consultation imminent.
Total – noting that costs are approximate		Approximately £49,900 to £64,900	

2.2.2 Table 6 details the proposed capital Local Structural Repair (LSR – large scale patching) programme for 2019-20. These schemes are proposed taking into account suggestions made by residents and Members over a number of years, and Officers' observations of the condition of roads and footways in the Borough. Officers have endeavoured to coordinate the proposed LSR programme with other County Council funded programmes of resurfacing and maintenance work, including Operation Horizon and the Severe Weather Recovery programmes. It is recommended that Committee approves the schemes listed in Table 6 as part of its capital investment programme for next Financial Year 2019-20. The funding available to Committee will not be sufficient to address all of the suggestions and Divisional Members will work with officers to agree priorities.

Table 6 Recommended Joint Committee funded capital LSR programme for 2019-20

Location	Proposed works	Cost	Comments
Ashford			
Woodthorpe Road (footway) (Station Road end by shops)	Footway resurfacing	£10,000	Some done but more to do
Station Approach (footway)	Footway resurfacing	£25,000	Suggested by Cllr Sexton. Recommended.
Rex Avenue (footway)	Footway resurfacing		
Wentworth Close	Footway resurfacing	£10,000	
Maxwell Road	Carriageway patching		
Clarendon Road, Ashford	Carriageway resurfacing	tbc	Member nomination for winter recovery programme but did not meet criteria
Metcalf Road service road , Ashford	Carriageway resurfacing	tbc	
Chessholme Road, Ashford	Carriageway resurfacing	tbc	Member nomination for winter recovery programme but did not meet criteria
Chessholme Road, Ashford	footway slabs to be replaced with tarmac from 42 both sides towards the green	£10,000	slab work
Feltham Hill Road junction with Chessholme Road (bell mouth)	Carriageway patching	tbc	work still needed
Feltham Hill Road, Linkscroft Avenue to Covent Road	Carriageway resurfacing	tbc	
Laleham and Shepperton			
Squires Bridge Road (footway) between 56 to 66	Reconstruction and verge repairs	£15,000	
Laleham Road - slip roads between Squires Bridge Road and Littleton Lane	LSR	£35,000	top site**

Location	Proposed works	Cost	Comments
Thames Side (footway from side of Kingfisher PH to Chertsey Road)	Reconstruction	£10,000	
Manygate Lane (footway)	Slab to bit	£15,000	
Thurlestone Close (footway - one side only)	Slab to bit	£5,000	
Laleham Road - between Acacia Avenue and Sheep Walk	Reconstruction	£5,000	Suggested by Cllr Richard Walsh
Gaston Bridge Road (beyond bridge towards Charlton)	Footway	tbc	
Squires Road	Slab to bit sections along the footway	£10,000	Suggested by Cllr Richard Walsh
Marion Avenue	Slab to bit / reconstruction	£10,000	Suggested by Cllr Richard Walsh
Nutty Lane	Carriageway	£10,000	Past new garden centre sections (not complete)
Lower Sunbury and Halliford			
St Mary's Close (footway)	Footway resurfacing	£15,000	
Hawthorn way (First 100m from j/e Charlton Lane)	Carriageway resurfacing	£18,000	
Thames Street - Secret Garden to The avenue (footway)	Relay modular paving	£10,000	
Parkwood Grove	Carriageway resurfacing	tbc	Recommended .Horizon
Roads off Green Street (footway)vereker drive	slab to be replaced with tarmac, 8 towards 29	£10,000	Some done already - more that could be done
Sutherland Avenue	Carriageway resurfacing	tbc	suggested by Tim Evans
Laytons Lane *top site*	Carriageway resurfacing	tbc	Suggested for winter recovery programme but did not meet criteria
Loudwater Close	Carriageway resurfacing	tbc	Member nomination for winter recovery programme but did not meet criteria

Location	Proposed works	Cost	Comments
Lyndhurst Avenue top end	Carriageway resurfacing	tbc	suggested by Tim Evans
Croysdale Avenue south	Carriageway resurfacing	tbc	suggested by Tim Evans
Darby Crescent where it meets Lower Hampton Road	Carriageway resurfacing	tbc	suggested by Tim Evans
Sunbury Court Road	middle of the carriageway	tbc	
Green Lane Sunbury	carriageway resurfacing	tbc	very poor surface
Staines South and Ashford West			
Ashford Crescent (carriageway)	Carriageway resurfacing	£40,000	possible joint work
Station Crescent j/w Ashford Crescent (carriageway)	Carriageway resurfacing	£30,000+	
Station Crescent footway, Start by surgery and work along the road	slab to bit	£20,000	one side or parts * top site*
Salcombe Road (footway)	Footway resurfacing	£35,000	One side done - could do other side.
Dorset Road (footway)	Footway resurfacing	£30,000	
Pavilion Gardens (footway)	Footway resurfacing	£45,000	
Cumberland Road	Carriageway resurfacing	£40,000+	Suggested by Cllr Turner-Stewart (previously suggested by Cllr Sexton)
Footpath 38 (Opposite number 88 Staines Road Laleham)	Footway resurfacing	£10,000	
Dorset Road	Carriageway resurfacing	£30,000	
Kingston Rd roundabouts at j/w Edinburgh Drive, Fenton Ave, Knowle Green and Stainash Parade	Carriageway resurfacing	tbc	Suggested by Cllr Turner-Stewart

Location	Proposed works	Cost	Comments
Ashford Rd Laleham from the water inlet to Kingston Rd	Carriageway resurfacing	tbc	Suggested by Cllr Turner-Stewart
Ashford Crescent, Ashford	Carriageway resurfacing	tbc	Suggested by Cllr Turner-Stewart
Station Crescent, Ashford	Carriageway resurfacing	tbc	Suggested by Cllr Turner-Stewart
Worple Rd from Templedene Avenue to roundabout on Staines Rd	Carriageway resurfacing	tbc	Suggested by Cllr Turner-Stewart
Kenilworth Road	Carriageway resurfacing	tbc	Member nomination for winter recovery programme but did not meet criteria
Laleham Road and Staines Road, either side of the Worple Road roundabout, from the Thames Water channel on Staines Road to the Lansdown Road alleyway	Carriageway resurfacing	tbc	Member nomination for winter recovery programme
Elizabeth Avenue Laleham junction with Charles Road (bellmouth)	Carriageway resurfacing	tbc	
Chattern Road	Footway	tbc	
Woodthorpe Road from Stanwell Road to savation army church	Carriageway patching	tbc	Short-listed for Winter Damage Programme done
Staines upon Thames			
Fairfield Avenue (carriageway) (Each end but whole road would benefit from treatment)	Carriageway resurfacing	£38,000	
Gordon Close (footway)	slab to be replaced with tarmac	£25,000	
Knowle Park Avenue (footway)	slab to be replaced with tarmac	£25,000	possibly less as some slabs have been removed
Billet Road	Carriageway resurfacing	£15,000	Reported by Cllr Watts - damaged following development? section not done as development halted this

Location	Proposed works	Cost	Comments
Farnell Road footway	11 towards 44 slabs to be replaced with tarmac	£8,000	one side only
Bremer Road (footway)	Footway resurfacing slab to be replaced with tarmac	£10,000	
A308 Staines Bypass on approach to Crooked Billet in both directions (esp eastbound) for the first 50m to 100m.	Carriageway resurfacing patching	£20,000	Requested by residents of Shortwood Common who are concerned about the noise.
Edgell Road junction with Budebury Road	Carriageway resurfacing	tbc	Suggested for winter recovery programme but did not meet criteria
Gresham Road (no work needed?)	Carriageway resurfacing	tbc	Member nomination for winter recovery programme but did not meet criteria
Hale Street junction with Wraysbury Road, Staines	Carriageway resurfacing	tbc	top site**
Stanwell and Stanwell Moor			
Chalmers Road (j/w Feltham Road)	Carriageway resurfacing	£10,000	
Stanwell Close	Reshape	£8,000	
Cranford Avenue	Carriageway resurfacing	tbc	
Cranford Avenue (verge)	Convert verge to parking or protect	tbc	
St Annes Avenue (carriageway)	Carriageway resurfacing	£80,000	
Short Lane, Hockey Club to A30 (footway)	Footway resurfacing	£24,000	
Park Road to Selwood	Footway	£10,000	
Cambria Gardens	Carriageway resurfacing	tbc	Suggested for winter recovery programme but did not meet criteria

Location	Proposed works	Cost	Comments
Osborne Avenue	Carriageway resurfacing	tbc	Suggested for winter recovery programme but did not meet criteria
Sunbury Common & Ashford Common			
A308 Staines Road West (footway) outside fire station	Reconstruction	£36,000	On hold pending fire station review.
A308 Staines Road West, shopping parade between Cecil Road and Maxwell Road	Footway refurbishment and general tidy up	£25,000 to £50,000	
Green Lane, Sunbury	tbc	£40,000+	Suggested for winter recovery programme but did not meet criteria (previously suggested by Cllr Beardsmore)
The Drive	slurry	tbc	Suggested by Cllr Beardsmore
Approach road	slab to bit	£15,000	local area would benefit, shops etc
Cavendish Road	Carriageway resurfacing	tbc	Member nomination for winter recovery programme but did not meet criteria
Spelthorne Grove	Carriageway resurfacing	tbc	Member nomination for winter recovery programme but did not meet criteria
Staines Road West	Carriageway resurfacing	tbc	Member nomination for winter recovery programme but did not meet criteria
Elgin Avenue bellmouth with Norman Road	Carriageway resurfacing		Suggested for winter recovery programme but did not meet criteria
Cadbury Road junction with Grovelley Road	Carriageway patching	tbc	
Meadow Road	Carriageway resurfacing	tbc	Suggested for winter recovery programme but did not meet criteria
Total expected investment		Approximately £77,778	

2.2.3 Committee's prioritisation list of ITS schemes is presented in Annex A. In December 2018 Committee approved a number of schemes from this list to be included as part of its capital investment programme for 2019-20. These schemes are shown in Table 7 below. Committee should note that a number of the schemes on Committee's prioritisation list would be highly beneficial in

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terms of the County Council's Local Transport Plan objectives, but could only be implemented with funding in addition to the Joint Committee's budgets, for example CIL.

Table 7 Approved Capital ITS Programme for 2019-20

Location	Proposed works	Cost	Status
Worple Road, Staines	Implementation of accessibility improvements (dropped kerbs)	£15,000	Feasibility study presented to Committee in March 2016.
French Street, Lower Sunbury	Implementation of extension of 20mph zone northwards and improvements to pedestrian crossing at Hawke Park	£30,000	Feasibility study complete. See Annex E. Part of Lower Sunbury area wide scheme.
Halliford Road, between Halliford Village and Thames Street	Implementation of accessibility improvements (dropped kerbs)	£30,000	Outline design completed in 2016 for a range of improvements. Drawings available on request. Need to prioritise which improvements to implement with Divisional Member.
Laleham Village	Implementation of speed and traffic management measures and pedestrian improvements	£tbc	Feasibility study complete. See Annex D. This scheme may be delivered in the context of the Shepperton Studios development.
Shepperton High Street	Feasibility study for pedestrian improvements.	£8,000	New feasibility study. May be able to implement low cost scheme using allocated funding. Need to prepare design brief.
Walton Lane, Shepperton	Feasibility study for amendment to one-way system.	£5,000 Funded from Walton to Halliford Transport study	New feasibility study. Spin off from Walton to Halliford Transport Study. Need to prepare design brief.
Lower Hampton Road, Sunbury	Feasibility study for speed management scheme.	£3,500	New feasibility study prompted by cluster of casualties. Need to prepare design brief.
Church Street / Green Street, Lower Sunbury	Feasibility study for extension of 20mph Zone to start of one-way system	£5,000	New feasibility study. Part of Lower Sunbury area wide scheme. Need to prepare design brief.
Gresham Road, Staines	Feasibility study for traffic, parking and speed management.	£5,000	New feasibility study. Need to prepare design brief.
Walton Bridge Road, Shepperton	Feasibility study for pedestrian crossing improvements	£5,000 Funded from Walton to Halliford Transport study	New feasibility study. Spin off from Walton to Halliford Transport Study. Need to prepare design brief.

Location	Proposed works	Cost	Status
Buckland School	Feasibility study for Road Safety Outside Schools scheme.	£3,500	New feasibility study for measures to follow on from improvements funded by Divisional Member in 2018-19. Need to prepare design brief.
Chertsey Road	Feasibility for speed management and casualty reduction scheme, between Staines Road West and Feltham Hill Road	£5,000 Funded from Cllr Sinead Mooney's individual allocation	New feasibility study. Need to prepare design brief.
Total – noting that costs are approximate		Approximately £110, 000 Including £10,000 from the Walton to Halliford Transport Study	

2.2.4 Annex A lists 33 schemes that are recommended for removal from the prioritisation list:

- Nine schemes that are now complete, or due to be completed imminently.
- Three schemes for which feasibility studies have been completed, and where no action was recommended.
- Five schemes to be put on the back burner as it is expected that these will be addressed as part of other projects.
- Sixteen schemes to be removed for other reasons – the predominant reason being that there is no technical justification to pursue these schemes.

2.2.5 Officers will keep the Chairman, Vice Chairman and appropriate Divisional Member updated as these schemes are delivered, taking decisions as necessary to ensure the programmes are delivered, and cost variations managed

2.3 Joint Committee revenue works programme

2.3.1 The £168,000 revenue allocated for day to day maintenance works is now fully committed to patching of footways and carriageways, kerb repairs, vegetation management, and replacing damaged posts.

2.3.2 Of the £18,000 allocated to develop strategic schemes for CIL bids, there has been no expenditure so far. Monies from the parking surplus do not have to be spent by the end of the Financial Year; they can carry forward indefinitely. It is anticipated that these monies will be used to develop a major corridor improvement scheme along the A308 connecting Staines to Sunbury Cross, as mentioned above.

2.3.3 The £52,500 Members' allocations have now been committed to various schemes, including contributions to ITS schemes, carriageway patching, vegetation management, new posts and railings.

2.3.4 The £30,000 allocated to re-validation of the Staines Town Centre SCOOT region is being used to review, improve, repair, and re-validate traffic signal controlled junctions in the town centre area. The initial phase of this project

was completed during 2018. In January 2019 officers of Surrey County Council and Spelthorne Borough Council met with local Divisional and Ward Members, the Leader of Spelthorne Borough Council, and representatives of the local business community, to review progress so far with this project and next steps. Please see further comments below and Annex C.

2.4 Parking

- 2.4.1 Site visits for the 2019 annual parking review are taking place and a report on the outcome will be presented to Committee in March 2019.

Other highway related matters

2.5 Customer services

- 2.5.1 The total number of enquiries received in the calendar year 2018 was 144,409, an average of 12,034 per month. This represents an increase of approximately 29% from the total received in 2017. This is mainly due to the severe weather experienced in the early part of the year and an increase in defect reports.
- 2.5.2 The increase in defect reports is reflected in the balance of enquiries between SCC and Kier. 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 2017 the average split was 53% SCC and 47% Kier, in 2018, because of the additional defect reports this has reversed to 47% SCC and 53% Kier.
- 2.5.3 For Spelthorne specifically, 9,878 enquiries were received between January and December 2018 of which 4,830 were directed to the local area office for action, of these 90% have been resolved. This is below the Highways countywide average of 94%.
- 2.5.4 During 2018, 319 stage 1 complaints were received (a 12% reduction on 2017) of which Spelthorne received 29 and seven were escalated to stage 2. The service was found to be at fault in one of the stage 2 complaints following independent investigation. One complaint was directed to the Local Government Ombudsman but was not upheld.

2.6 Major schemes

- 2.6.1 The **Wider Staines Sustainable Transport Package (STP)** was awarded funding in 2017 to deliver improvements along six key routes that serve frequently visited destinations in the area including Staines Town Centre, Staines rail station, Ashford Hospital, Clare Road shopping parade and Heathrow Airport. Staines STP aims to improve safety, connectivity and infrastructure for pedestrians, cyclists and bus users around Stanwell, north Ashford and Staines. Construction work is underway on the off road pedestrian and cycle route along Stanwell Moor Road. Phase 1 covers the section of the route between the pumping house up towards the junction with Park Road. This section has now been completed. Phase 2 will cover the section between Stanwell New Road and the pumping station. As well as improving the path itself, this phase includes the installation of a new toucan crossing

facility where the path switches between the east and west sides of the road. Phase 3 covers the area of Stanwell Moor Road between the junctions with Park Road and Horton Road. In addition to improvements to the pathway itself, this phase will involve the installation of a new toucan crossing facility at the junction with Park Road and the construction of a new bus layby, shelter and footway to assist passengers who board and alight buses on the east side of Stanwell Moor Road. More information about the project can be found at: <https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/policies-plans-consultations/major-transport-projects/spelthorne-major-transport-schemes>

- 2.6.2 Annex B contains a briefing note to summarise the findings of the **Walton to Halliford Transport Study**. A number of potential schemes have been identified in the context of this study. It is recommended to authorise the Area Highway Manager to use some of the funding available for this project to commission a feasibility study for an amendment to the one-way system in Walton Lane, Shepperton, and for a second feasibility study to investigate pedestrian crossing improvements in Walton Bridge Road, Shepperton.
- 2.6.3 The **A308 Corridor Scheme** mentioned above would become a major scheme if CIL funding were to be awarded to implement the different elements of the scheme mentioned above. This scheme will therefore be reported in this section of future Highways Update reports.
- 2.6.4 The **Staines Town Centre Scheme** is emerging from the project to revalidate the Staines Town Centre SCOOT region. The initial phase of the SCOOT region revalidation project was completed during 2018. In January 2019 officers of Surrey County Council and Spelthorne Borough Council met with local Divisional and Ward Members, the Leader of Spelthorne Borough Council, and representatives of the local business community, to review progress so far with the revalidation and next steps. Please see Annex C for a record of this workshop. It was agreed to move forwards with a number of short and medium term actions / projects, subject to funding being made available:
- 2.6.5 In the short term, it was agreed to complete the revalidation of the SCOOT region, including upgrading equipment where needed, and patching areas of carriageway where its condition is a threat to the integrity of the detection. The cost of this is already covered by the £30,000 allocation from the Parking Surplus that Committee has already made.
- 2.6.6 Also in the short term, it was agreed to review the signs and road markings within the Town Centre area, which are currently incoherent and unhelpful to drivers. It is recommended that part of the £30,000 allocation from the Parking Surplus for the SCOOT region revalidation is used to design a new scheme of signs and road markings.
- 2.6.7 Also in the short term, Spelthorne Borough Council are in the process of procuring new car park guidance signs.
- 2.6.8 Also in the short term, it is recommended to review parking and loading arrangements at sites where loading obstructs through traffic on key links. This will be done as part and parcel of the 2019 or 2020 annual parking reviews.

2.6.9 In the medium term, it was agreed to investigate what could potentially become a major scheme – which could see a substantial remodelling of the road network through Staines Town Centre to ease traffic flow. The first stage in the development of such a scheme is the gathering of traffic survey evidence to understand the current patterns of traffic movement through Staines – using origin / destination surveys. It is recommended to use part of the £30,000 allocation from the Parking Surplus for the SCOOT region revalidation is used to commission the traffic surveys necessary to inform the development of this scheme.

2.6.10 As a parallel aspect of the Staines Town Centre Scheme, officers of Surrey County Council and Spelthorne Borough Council are working with local Divisional and Ward Members, and the Staines Business Improvement District (BID) to review the Staines High Street pedestrian zone. The bollards that control access to the pedestrian zone are defunct and obsolete, and the traffic regulation order that defines the pedestrian zone is not fit for purpose. The intention is to convene a workshop in May / June 2019 to understand the function requirements for the pedestrian zone. Subject to funding this would then be used as the basis for a revised traffic regulation order, and a new access control mechanism.

2.7 Centrally funded maintenance

2.7.1 Operation Horizon reports for 2018-19 are available on the Surrey County Council website. These reports list roads that are due to be treated in the current Financial Year 2018-19. Also on the same page of the Surrey County Council website is the latest information regarding the Winter Damage programme, and lists of roads for consideration for future Financial Years or the Horizon programme. For more information please see here: <https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/roadworks-and-maintenance/horizon-highway-maintenance-investment-programme>

2.8 Road safety

2.8.1 There was no update at the time of writing.

2.9 Passenger Transport

2.9.1 No update at the time of writing.

2.10 Other key information, strategy and policy development

2.10.1 No update at the time of writing.

3. OPTIONS:

3.1 None at this stage. Officers will revert to the Chairman, Vice Chairman and Divisional Member, or indeed the Committee as appropriate, whenever preferred options need to be identified.

4. CONSULTATIONS:

- 4.1 None at this stage. Officers will consult the Chairman, Vice Chairman and Divisional Members as appropriate in the delivery of the programmes detailed above.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

- 5.1 The financial implications of this paper are detailed in section 2 above.

6. WIDER IMPLICATIONS:

Area assessed:	Direct Implications:
Crime and Disorder	A well-managed highway network can contribute to reduction in crime and disorder as well as improve peoples' perception of crime.
Equality and Diversity	It is an objective of Surrey Highways to take account of the needs of all users of the public highway.
Localism (including community involvement and impact)	The Joint Committee prioritises its expenditure according to local priorities.
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.

7. CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 7.1 This Financial Year's programmes are being delivered.
- 7.2 Preparations are being made to deliver the Local Committee's programme of Highways works for next Financial Year 2019-20.
- 7.3 Officers will keep Members update as the two new potential major schemes develop – the A308 Corridor Scheme and the Staines Town Centre Scheme.

8. WHAT HAPPENS NEXT:

- 8.1 The Area Team Manager will work with Divisional Members, the Chairman and Vice-Chairman to deliver this Financial Year's Divisional Programmes, and to prepare for next Financial Year's Divisional Programmes.
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Consulted: N / A

Annexes:

Annex A – Prioritisation list

Annex B – Walton to Halliford Transport study

Annex C – Staines SCOOT review

Annex D – Laleham Village feasibility study and plans

Annex E – French Street feasibility study and plans

Sources/background papers: None