

SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL

LOCAL COMMITTEE (MOLE VALLEY)

DATE: 12th JUNE 2013

LEAD OFFICER: JOHN LAWLOR, AREA TEAM MANAGER

SUBJECT: ITS CAPITAL FUNDING VIREMENT

DIVISION: ALL



SUMMARY OF ISSUE:

In December 2012, Mole Valley Local Committee approved its 2013/14 Highways forward programme, which included the flexibility to deliver the programme through the ability to vire funding between schemes and budget headings. At that time, no authority was given to vire monies between the capital Integrated Transport Schemes headings (improvement schemes and maintenance schemes). This report seeks authority to extend the flexibility in scheme delivery through introducing the ability to vire funding within the capital ITS budget.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Local Committee (Mole Valley) is asked to:

- (i) Authorise that the Area Team Manager, in consultation with the Local Committee Chairman and Vice-Chairman be able to vire the capital Integrated Transport Schemes budget between the headings (improvement schemes and maintenance schemes), as required.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS:

To allow flexibility to deliver the capital Integrated Transport Schemes programme (improvement schemes and maintenance schemes) in Mole Valley.

1. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND:

1.1 Mole Valley Local Committee agreed its forward programme of capital and revenue highways works in December 2012. To build flexibility into the delivery of the forward programme, the Local Committee also agreed a number of recommendations that authorised the Area Team Manager, in consultation with the Local Committee Chairman, Vice-Chairman and relevant local divisional Member to vire monies between schemes and budget headings if required.

1.2 No facility was made to vire monies between the capital Integrated Transport Schemes (ITS) budget headings (improvement schemes and maintenance schemes). In 2012/13 the Local Committee valued the opportunity to use the

capital maintenance budget to supplement the programme of resurfacing works in the District provided by the central Asset Management team. Commencing this financial year, Operation Horizon, a £100 million investment programme to be delivered over a 5 year period, will improve the condition of a significant proportion of the road network in Mole Valley. The programme of roads to be treated is the subject of a separate report to this meeting of the Local Committee.

2. ANALYSIS:

- 2.1 The Local Committee has agreed an extensive programme of ITS capital improvement schemes for 2013/14. Initial estimates indicate that there may be a shortfall in the £184,333 budget to enable full delivery of the programme without identifying additional funding.
- 2.2 The Local Committee agreed that the 2013/14 ITS capital maintenance budget of £184,333 be divided equitably between County Members to fund local structural repair in Mole Valley.
- 2.3 The extensive programme of works to be carried out in Mole Valley under Operation Horizon provides Members with the opportunity to allocate a proportion of the ITS capital maintenance budget towards ITS capital improvement schemes. To enable this to happen, it is necessary for the Local Committee to authorise virement between the capital ITS scheme headings (improvement schemes and maintenance schemes).

3. OPTIONS:

- 3.1 Option 1: Authorise the Area Team Manager, in consultation with the Local Committee Chairman and Vice-Chairman the ability to vire monies between the capital ITS scheme headings (improvement schemes and maintenance schemes) if required.
- 3.2 Option 2: Do nothing.

4. CONSULTATIONS:

- 4.1 The views of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman have been sought and agreement given to bring this report to the Local Committee. No further consultation is required as this is a matter relating to Local Committee budgets and is for Member decision.

5. FINANCIAL AND VALUE FOR MONEY IMPLICATIONS:

- 5.1 The total capital ITS budget for Mole Valley will not be affected by the proposed authority to vire the funding between the allocations for improvement schemes and maintenance schemes. However, it will give Members the flexibility to deliver priority schemes in the Mole Valley District, particularly through the use of maintenance funding to contribute towards improvement schemes in the District.

6. EQUALITIES AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS:

- 6.1 There are no significant implications arising from this report.

7. LOCALISM:

7.1 The proposed authority to vire monies within the capital ITS budget will enable schemes to be delivered to the benefit of the local community.

8. OTHER IMPLICATIONS:

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 Flexibility to deliver the Mole Valley 2013/14 Highways forward programme through the ability to vire funding between schemes and budget headings was approved by Local Committee in December 2012. It is recommended that this authority be extended to enable Members to vire monies between the capital ITS scheme headings (improvement schemes and maintenance schemes).

10. WHAT HAPPENS NEXT:

10.1 If the recommendation is approved, the Area Team Manager, in consultation with the Local Committee Chairman and Vice-Chairman will be able to vire monies between the capital ITS scheme headings (improvement schemes and maintenance schemes), if required.

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Consulted:

No consultation required

Annexes:

None

Sources/background papers:

- Report to Mole Valley Local Committee, 5th December 2012 – Highways Forward Programme 2013/14 – 2014/15 (Item 9)

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