

**RUNNYMEDE BOROUGH COUNCIL AND  
SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL**



**RUNNYMEDE JOINT COMMITTEE**

**DATE: 25 NOVEMBER 2019**

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**SUBJECT: HIGHWAYS UPDATE**

**AREA(S) AFFECTED: ALL DIVISIONS**

**SUMMARY OF ISSUE:**

To report progress made with the delivery of proposed highways and developer funded schemes, and revenue funded works for the 2019/20 financial year.

To provide an update on the latest budgetary position for highway schemes and revenue maintenance.

To report on relevant topical Highways matters.

**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

**The Runnymede Joint Committee is asked to note:**

- (i) the progress with schemes and revenue funded works for the 2019/20 financial year.
- (ii) the budgetary position.
- (iii) that a further Highways Update will be brought to the next meeting of this Committee.

**REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS:**

The above recommendations are made to enable progression of all highway related schemes and works.

## **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 Joint Committee Finance**

#### **Capital budget 2019/20**

- 2.1.1 The capital budget for the 2019/20 financial year is £166,667 (an increase of £130,304 from the 2018/19 capital allocation of £36,363).

#### **Other funding sources 2019/20**

- 2.1.2 In addition to the above capital budget there are £30,166 of developer contributions available for highway improvements in the 2019/20 financial year. As such, allowing for the over spend of £5,856 carried forward from 2018/19, this results in a total ITS budget of £190,977 for 2019/20.

### **2.2 Joint Committee capital works programme 2019/20**

- 2.2.1 The capital works programme is presented as a combined programme of both ITS and capital maintenance works in Table 1 to provide a clearer picture of works and budgets. This programme was formally approved by the Runnymede Joint Committee at its public meeting held on 18 March 2019.
- 2.2.2 All costs shown are estimated and the programme value intentionally exceeds the available budget to enable flexibility of delivery. The list is presented in priority order and it is suggested 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 (£)
A328 St Jude's Road -Puffin Crossing (Construction)	Construct new signalised pedestrian crossing near junction with Bagshot Road	Construction of crossing complete. Crossing commissioned on 3/9/19 and now fully operational. Awaiting stage 3 road safety audit.	120,000
St Ann's Road/Pycroft Road/Ruxbury Road	Capital Maintenance (Carriageway resurfacing) – Mini-roundabout	Complete	17,921

Gogmore Lane, Chertsey	Capital Maintenance (Carriageway resurfacing) – Junction with Riversdell Close	Complete	34,770
Capital Drainage Improvements	Borough wide	Orders being placed on ongoing basis.	30,000
Signing, road markings & pedestrian dropped kerbs	Borough wide	Orders being placed on ongoing basis.	10,000
Bittams Lane - Footway resurfacing	Capital Maintenance (Footway resurfacing) – Hillcrest Avenue to Guildford Road	Contingency scheme	30,000
A320 Guildford Road	Capital Maintenance (Carriageway resurfacing) – Ottershaw Roundabout	Contingency scheme	56,000
Pooley Green Road	Capital Maintenance (Carriageway resurfacing) – Junction with Mullens Road	Contingency scheme	29,000
Chobham Road	Capital Maintenance (Carriageway resurfacing) – Junction with Choham Close	Contingency scheme	5,000

**Table 1 – Capital works programme for 2019/20**

### 2.3 Member Highway Fund 2019/20

2.3.1 Each County Councillor has a Member Highway Fund allocation of £7,500 for 2019/20.

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, all works should be agreed by 31 October 2019.

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 2.

Member	Allocation (£)	Spend to date (£)
Mark Nuti	7,500	7,500 committed.
Yvonna Lay	7,500	7,500 committed.
John Furey	7,500	7,500 committed.
Mel Few	7,500	7,500 committed.

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Marisa Heath	7,500	7,500 committed.
Mary Angell	7,500	7,500 committed.
<b>Total</b>	<b>45,000</b>	<b>45,000 committed</b>

**Table 2 – 2019/20 Member Highway Fund spend progress**

### 2.4 Parking

- 2.4.1 Site visits for the 2019 Runnymede parking review have taken place and the report on the outcome is being presented to the Joint Committee at its meeting on 25 November 2019.

### Other highway related matters

#### 2.5 Customer services

- 2.5.1 The total number of enquiries received for the nine months between January and September 2019 is 95,916 an average of 10,657 per month. This is a 19% decrease on the number received during the same period in 2018. This reflects the milder winter and the work that has taken place to improve the website and online reporting.
- 2.5.2 For Runnymede specifically, 4,895 enquiries have been received since January of which 2,979 (61%) were directed to the local area office for action, of these 96% have been resolved. This response rate is slightly above the countywide average of 95%.
- 2.5.3 Since January 2019, Highways & Transport have received 102 Stage 1 complaints. Fifty were escalated to Stage 2, of which the Service has been found to be partially or fully at fault in 18 cases. In addition three have been escalated to the Local Government Ombudsman, none of which have been upheld.

#### 2.6 Major schemes

##### **Runnymede Roundabout (now known as “Runnymede Junction”) Major Scheme**

- 2.6.1 Outstanding works are ongoing including the completion of the landscaping which is dependent on the time of the year due to the release of plant stock by nurseries.

#### 2.7 Centrally funded maintenance

- 2.7.1 Table 3 below shows the Horizon 2 Runnymede **Roads** programme for 2019/20 and the progress made in delivering the schemes.

Road	Location	Limits	Type of work	Progress
Holloway Hill	Lyne	Guildford Road to Stonehill Road	Surface Dressing	Complete
Longcross Road	Longcross	Kitsmead Lane to Stonehill Road	Surface Dressing	Complete
Crouch Oak Lane	Addlestone	Chertsey Road to Station Road	Surface Dressing	Complete
Accommodation Road	Longcross	Longcross Road to Stonehill Road	Surface Dressing	Complete

**Table 3 – 2019/20 Horizon 2 Runnymede Roads Programme**

2.7.2 Table 4 below shows the Horizon 2 Runnymede **Pavement (footway)** programme for 2019/20 and the progress made in delivering the schemes.

Road	Location	Limits	Type of work	Progress
Station Road	Egham	Level crossing to Church Road – both sides	Footway Reconstruction	Scheme deferred due to being unaffordable.
Byfleet Road	Addlestone	Weymanor Road to Regent Close – Eastern side	Footway Slurry	Complete
St Jude's Road	Englefield Green	Alexandra Road to 20m from Bagshot Road – Both sides	Footway Slurry	Awaiting programme
Victory Park Road	Addlestone	Full length (including St George's Road) – Both sides	Footway Slurry	Complete
Copperfield Rise	Addlestone	Rudge Rise to Dicken's Drive – Both sides	Footway Slurry	Complete
Victoria Street	Englefield Green	St Jude's Road to Harvest Road – Northern side	Footway Slurry	Complete

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Spring Rise	Egham	Milton Road to Danehurst Close – Both sides	Patching works. Footway Slurry programmed for 2020/21.	Complete
Woodside Way	Virginia Water	Full length – Both sides	Footway Slurry	Complete

**Table 4 – 2019/20 Horizon 2 Runnymede Pavement Programme**

### 2.8 Gully cleansing

- 2.8.1 Surrey County Council maintain 13,758 gullies, and 61 soakaways in Runnymede. This is an important activity that reduces the likelihood of flooding on the public highway, and helps to keep roads and footways safe.
- 2.8.2 Not all assets are cleaned on an annual basis, as some require cleaning more frequently, and others less so, depending on local circumstances such as whether there are trees nearby, or the location is rural or urban.
- 2.8.3 Each year, the programme of cleaning is updated and optimised based on the condition the assets were found to be in when they were last visited. The programme is also adjusted to take into account local issues such as roads where access to assets is difficult due to parked cars and other obstructions.
- 2.8.4 For 2019/20, 7,281 gullies are due to be cleaned in Runnymede, and 20 soakaways.
- 2.8.5 As the cleaning programme is managed on a Countywide basis, cleans in Runnymede will take place throughout the course of the year. To date, 6,072 gullies and 6 Soakaways have been completed.

### 2.9 Road safety

- 2.9.1 Table 5 below shows the Runnymede road safety programme for 2019/20 and the progress made in delivering the schemes.

Scheme Name	Detail	Update
Stonehill Road, Ottershaw	Introduction of double white line system	Detailed design complete. Due for installation before the end of December 2019.
Chilsey Green Road, Chertsey	Replacement of vehicle activated signs	Due for installation November/ December 2019

Church Road, Addlestone	Replacement of vehicle activated sign	Due for installation November/ December 2019
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**Table 5 – 2019/20 Runnymede Road Safety Programme**

## 2.10 Passenger Transport

2.10.1 Nothing to report

## 2.11 Street Lighting

2.11.1 Work has continued on the programme to roll out LED lighting for existing street lights across the county. The legal agreement between SCC and the Service Provider has taken longer than expected but is nearing conclusion. It is now expected that the programme to install the LED lighting will commence early in the new year. Once the programme is complete it is expected that the Council will save 60% of its current energy costs for street lighting. Prior to rolling out the programme a successful pilot site has been running in Kingfisher Drive, Guildford since late 2018. This was expanded in the summer to test the robustness of the Communication Management System(CMS), that comes with this upgrade, which has also been successful.

## 2.12 Other key information, strategy and policy development

2.12.1 Nothing to report.

### **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 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. WIDER 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.

<b>Area assessed:</b>	<b>Direct Implications:</b>
Crime and Disorder	No significant implications
Equality and Diversity	No significant implications
Localism (including community involvement and impact)	No significant implications
Sustainability (including Climate Change and Carbon Emissions)	No significant implications
Corporate Parenting/Looked After Children	No significant implications
Safeguarding responsibilities for vulnerable children and adults	No significant implications
Public Health	No significant implications

#### **7. CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS:**

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

#### **8. WHAT HAPPENS NEXT:**

- 8.1 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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