

### Towns: Key activities and outcomes

***In Farnham*** - Delivered an A road de-classification and (Heavy Goods Vehicle) HGV Ban, with town centre way-finding and town centre and surrounding roads 20 miles per hour (MPH) limit, in progress. Consultation exercise on town centre traffic management changes, improvements to public realm and associated traffic calming now complete. Review of consultation feedback now underway before commencing next phase of the project. In Development: 2 Active travel schemes (Borelli's Walk and Scholars Greenway), Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plans (LCWIP) programme, A31 Corridor Major Road Network (MRN) scheme, Water Lane Roundabout improvements.

***In Horley*** – an extensive, multi-partner co-ordinated local engagement programme on the future of the town centre (a multi-agency stall in Christmas market, face-to-face public workshops with residents, online surveys, printed surveys, face-to-face conversations with key stakeholders – retailers, local associations, largest employers, cultural institutions – face-to-face assemblies with 1200 secondary school students, open workshops with The Young Men's Christian Association (YMCA) focus groups for young people and with autism groups through County Care), leading to publication of the community-led strategic vision for the town, and a list of priority projects identified by local residents and stakeholders. Since the publication of the collective vision, work continues to progress through a multi-partner local leadership group, some of the highlights so far include:

- The Horley Town Centre public realm works are now moving into detailed design stage prior to delivery on the ground next financial year.
- Progress on design of subway refurbishment subway drainage works
- Property ownership audit of town centre units to help enable local stakeholders' initiatives in vacant units
- Ongoing collaboration with Oakwood school to secure young people involvement in the regeneration of the town centre
- Progress on wellbeing initiatives led locally by health partners, establishing community garden and social prescribing
- Development of designs for further enhancements to green spaces and local parks
- Ongoing exploratory conversations for future skills provision
- Discussions with Network Rail have been ongoing, and agreement is being reached to ensure the flooding issues in the subway are addressed. A further phase of work to enhance the perceived safety and environment of the subway is being developed.

This activity, and other support for community led projects and engagement, is being supported by the Community Link Officer for the area working alongside all partners, including through the Growing Health Together initiative with health. One of an initial set of four Local Area Coordinator roles is also established in Horley, providing additional one-to-one support for residents who are struggling.

***In Caterham*** – Tandridge District Council (TDC), Surrey County Council (SCC) Members and officers have come together to agree interventions and investment in

identified projects/work packages based on priorities set by local residents. TDC bid to the government's Levelling Up fund, supported by SCC, focused on town centre improvements to Caterham Valley and Caterham on the Hill, including public realm improvements, integrated flood alleviation measures including signage and wayfinding to cultural and amenity spaces and a shop front grant scheme. (The bid was unsuccessful, and work is now underway to consider alternative funding and/or modifications). Improvements to Croydon Road public realm. Agreement across SCC and TDC to review assets in Caterham on the Hill and modernise community infrastructure to meet the needs of the local area. SCC in partnerships with TDC and the BID are working to deliver public realm improvements on Croydon Road which incorporates further flood reduction measures including rain gardens, electric vehicle (EV) charging, cycle parking, tree planting and seating. The scheme is due to commence summer 2023 and should be completed next financial year.

***In Staines*** – A town partnership with local stakeholders is evolving, with an asset-based multi-disciplinary focus on cultural provision, infrastructure, and wider determinants of health.

Work is progressing with partners to consider the future location of Staines Library, aiming to deliver a modern and flexible space and multiuse building that aligns with the Library and Cultural Service transformation programme and the cabinet paper and associated funding approved in November 2021 to deliver modernisation of the library estate. Future developments on this element of the Staines partnership will be brought to cabinet at a later date. On the health agenda, partnership work is progressing through the Spelthorne Healthy Communities Partnership Board. This multi-partner group meets quarterly to continue with collaborative working on tackling both health inequalities and the wider determinants of health. Several projects are under consideration to improve infrastructure in the town centre. Community engagement took place in Autumn 2022 on the Iron Bridge Improvement Project, to seek input to developing artwork designs (depicting local history and community assets) for spaces underneath the bridge and to widen the footway under the bridge to improve pedestrian safety and create a more pleasant environment encouraging more active travel. The works have now started on site and will be completed by the end of March 2023, creating an attractive gateway into Staines town centre.

***In Weybridge*** – Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Funding Application successful and secured and detailed design now progressing for a variety of highways, junctions and public realm improvements, including decluttering, active travel, speed reduction, improved crossing, new bus shelter, footway widening and improved crossings. Public and partner engagement is continuing to explore opportunities to deliver a package of localised interventions at the earliest opportunity in advance of the main works commencing next financial year. Joint vision, ambitions and plans developed with local residents and partners for the re-provision of the health centre, refurbishment of the library plus public realm improvements. All projects progressing to be delivered over the next couple of years. Health centre and library to work together as part of a 'campus' approach. This will bring together a range of health and wider community services to the town as well as creating community spaces for

local residents and groups to access and utilise. Further public engagement event to be delivered late January 2023.

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