

Decision Maker: ENVIRONMENT PORTFOLIO HOLDER

For Pre-Decision Scrutiny by the Environment and Community Services
PDS Committee on:

Date: 18 June 2019

Decision Type: Non-Urgent Executive Key

Title: HIGHWAY INVESTMENT

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Ward: (All Wards);

1. Reason for report

This report recommends future programmes of planned carriageway and footway maintenance following the Council's decision to invest capital funding in highways maintenance.

2. **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

That the Environment Portfolio Holder:

- i) **Agrees that the schemes listed in Appendix 'A' form the next phase of the Council's investment programme of planned highway maintenance for 2017/19, to be undertaken by the Council's existing highway term maintenance contractors.**

Impact on Vulnerable Adults and Children

1. Summary of Impact: None
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Corporate Policy

1. Policy Status: Existing Policy:
 2. BBB Priority: Excellent Council Quality Environment Safe Bromley Vibrant, Thriving Town Centres :
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Financial

1. Cost of proposal: Estimated Cost : £1.3m for Phase 6 of the investment programme
 2. Ongoing costs: Recurring Cost : £1.37m routine and reactive maintenance (revenue)
 3. Budget head/performance centre: Capital Programme
 4. Total current budget for this head: £11.8m
 5. Source of funding: Capital Receipts
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Personnel

1. Number of staff (current and additional): 3 fte
 2. If from existing staff resources, number of staff hours: 3 fte
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Legal

1. Legal Requirement: Statutory Requirement :
 2. Call-in: Applicable:
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Procurement

1. Summary of Procurement Implications: None
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Customer Impact

1. Estimated number of users/beneficiaries (current and projected): Borough wide
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Ward Councillor Views

1. Have Ward Councillors been asked for comments? Yes
2. Summary of Ward Councillors comments: Ward Councillors have been consulted regarding these proposals and their comments will be made available at the meeting.

3. COMMENTARY

Background

- 3.1 Bromley's highway assets include 547 miles (880Km) of carriageways and 885 miles (1,425 Km) of footways. It is a highly visible asset used by most residents and businesses on a daily basis. A well-maintained highway facilitates safe and reliable travel for pedestrians, cyclists and motorists, and contributes to the vitality of the borough and the local economy. The highway network has a gross replacement cost of approximately £1.5 bn. according to the most recent submission to HM Treasury.
- 3.2 Maintaining the highway asset through timely planned maintenance works reduces the demand for reactive maintenance, such as repairing potholes and broken paving. This improves value for money and customer satisfaction, reduces unplanned network disruption, and contributes to reducing third party claims for damages.
- 3.3 On 12th December 2016 the Council approved capital funding of £11.8m for investment in planned highway maintenance and the scheme was added to the Capital Programme. This will allow the condition of the borough's non-principal and unclassified roads and footways to be improved, which will also reduce the demand for reactive maintenance. This will enable annual revenue savings of £2.5m to be made, a total of £12.5m over a period of 5 years from 2017/18, which will be partly offset by a total estimated reduction in treasury management income of £167k over the five year period.
- 3.4 The Environment Portfolio Holder has previously approved the first five phases of the project. These works have progressed well, and the estimated cost of completing the approved schemes is £7.0m for carriageways and £3.5m for footways.
- 3.5 This report seeks approval for the sixth and final phase of the project, as shown at Appendix 'A'. These schemes were identified as the highest priorities in the latest survey results, and have an estimated value of £1.3m. Any schemes that cannot be completed within the approved budget will form priority schemes once further funding is available.

4. POLICY IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 The Environment Portfolio Plan includes the key aim "To continue to invest in a timely and effective manner in our roads and pavements to maintain the value of our highway asset". The Plan identifies the Council will "Improve the condition of the of the highway network by completing an approved major programme of road and pavement resurfacing".

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 The Council has agreed capital funding of £11.8m for investment in planned highway maintenance. This will enable annual revenue savings of £2.5m to be made, a total of £12.5m over a period of 5 years from 2017/18, which will be partly offset by a total estimated reduction in treasury management income of £167k over the five year period.
- 5.2 This report is seeking approval for the next phase of the investment programme detailed in Appendix A. The estimated cost of these works is £1.3m.
- 5.3 Any on-going maintenance will be funded from the revenue budgets for routine and reactive highway maintenance budgets, as and when required.

6. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 Under the Highways Act 1980, the Council, as Highway Authority, has duties to ensure the safe passage of highway users and to maintain the highway.

Non-Applicable Sections:	Impact on vulnerable adults and children Personnel implications Procurement implications
Background Documents: (Access via Contact Officer)	Highway Investment Report (ES17066) - Environment PDS Committee Meeting on 5th October 2017 Environment Portfolio Plan

Priority	Road Name	Ward	Extents
1	St Pauls Wood Hill	Cray Valley West	Whole Rd
2	Shortlands Road	Shortlands	Part
3	Coney Hill Road	Hayes & Coney Hall	Whole Rd
4	Tubbenden Lane	Farnborough & Crofton	Ruskin Drive - Spencer Close
5	Sheepcote Lane	Cray Valley East	Part
6	Tile Farm Road	Farnborough & Crofton	Whole Rd
7	Manor Way	Beckenham	Kelsey Way - No82
8	Chatham Avenue	Hayes & Coney Hall	Bourne Vale - Hayes Street
9	West Street	Bromley Town	Part
10	Heathfield Lane	Chislehurst	Whole Rd
11	Centre Common Road	Chislehurst	Heathfield Ln - Jnc with memorial
12	St Winifreds Road	Darwin	Whole Rd
13	Castlecombe Road	Mottingham & Chislehurst	Charminster - 90 degree bend
14	Rolleston Avenue	Petts Wood & Knoll	Whole Rd
15	Kings Hall Road	Penge & Cator	Kent House Rd - Bridge Road
16	Lennard Road	Penge & Cator	Kent House Rd - Reddons Rd
17	St Georges Road	Petts Wood & Knoll	Whole Rd
18	Upper Elmers End Road	Kelsey & Eden Park	Junction with Lodge Gardens
19	Havelock Road	Bromley Town	Whole Rd
20	Stone Road	Bromley Town	Whole Rd
21	Chislehurst Road	Bickley	Bickley Rd - Shawfield Park