

14 June 2012**Agenda Item:****REPORT OF SERVICE DIRECTOR HIGHWAYS****INTEGRATED TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS MAINTENANCE CAPITAL
PROGRAMMES 2012/13****Purpose of the Report**

1. To seek Committee approval for the integrated transport and highways maintenance capital schemes which were not approved previously at Cabinet or Transport and Highways Portfolio Meeting (as detailed in paragraph 6 of this report).
2. To provide an update on the progress of the delivery of the integrated transport and highways maintenance capital programmes to be implemented during 2012/13.

Information and Advice

3. The funding for local transport improvements, such as addressing congestion or road safety, is called the integrated transport block. The integrated transport block and highways capital maintenance block allocations both benefit from capital grant funding from the Department for Transport.
4. The funding allocations are detailed below, and were approved by County Council at the meeting on the 23 February 2012. It should be noted that this includes £1.25m carried over from 2011/12 for potential Local Sustainable Transport Fund match funding and a contribution towards Elkesley A1 junction improvements being carried out by the Highways Agency (approved in November 2011); and an additional investment in road safety (£621k in 2012/13, £350k in 2013/14; and £350k in 2014/15).
5. The Autumn budget statement allocated an additional £50m for transport expenditure. The Authority's share of this pot has now been confirmed at £823k and this will support the programmes detailed within this report.

Block	Provisional allocations		
	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15
Integrated transport	£7.98m	£6.7m	£7.281m
Highways capital maintenance	£16.157m	£15.97m	£15.102m

6. The detailed integrated transport and capital maintenance programmes was approved at the 8 February 2012 Cabinet meeting. Further development work has, however, been undertaken on the two programmes and some additional schemes have been included as a result of completion of feasibility, design work, member requests and recent deterioration. In addition to the local safety schemes which have been developed based on casualty data, eight additional schemes have been included in the 2012/13 integrated transport programme (all of which have a forecast cost of less than £50k) and four additional schemes have been included in the capital maintenance programme:
- A612 Bulcote speed limit extension
 - Bridgford Road, West Bridgford removal of bus lane
 - Hickling environmental weight limit
 - Richmond Road, West Bridgford residents' parking scheme review
 - King Edward Street/Bolsover Street, Hucknall residents' parking scheme
 - Bridge Grove, West Bridgford residents' parking scheme review
 - Davies Road, West Bridgford parking restrictions
 - Nuthall bus gate enforcement camera
 - Hillside Road, Blidworth footway resurfacing
 - Main Street, North Muskham (part) footway resurfacing
 - Lingwood Lane, Woodborough (part) carriageway resurfacing
 - A610 safety fencing renewals.
7. Two schemes that were previously included in the 2012/13 ITM programme have now been abandoned:
- Wellington Road, Burton Joyce reduced crossfall as the widening of the footway is not feasible
 - B6034 Church Lane, Edwinstowe new footway as it was not possible to purchase the private land required.

Progress on delivery of the programmes

8. Most schemes have now been scheduled for construction and these dates are included on the attached appendices. The remainder of the schemes will be scheduled as soon as possible once feasibility, design work etc. has been completed. Each County Council Member will, however, be provided with quarterly bulletins to update them on the schemes planned within their ward including proposed construction dates.
9. Scheme development work is underway for future years' programmes as well as feasibility work on schemes which may be included as reserve schemes for the 2012/13 financial year's programme. Reserve schemes could potentially be delivered during the 2012/13 financial year should other schemes become undeliverable or if other funding sources become available – these schemes can be identified on the attached appendices as 'Feasibility/design work only'.

Conclusions

10. The provisional integrated transport block and highways capital maintenance block programmes, detailing the proposed schemes to be delivered during

2012/13 are attached as appendices 1 and 2 respectively to this report. Each of the schemes is subject to the necessary consultation, statutory undertakings and other issues arising from detailed scheme investigation, design and consultation.

Statutory and Policy Implications

11. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of finance, equal opportunities, human resources, crime and disorder, human rights, the safeguarding of children, sustainability and the environment and those using the service and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

RECOMMENDATION/S

- 1) It is recommended that Committee:
 - a) approve the proposed additional integrated transport and capital maintenance schemes as detailed in paragraph 6 of this report
 - b) that the report and its appendices are noted.

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Constitutional Comments (SHB 17/05/12)

12. Committee have power to decide the Recommendation.

Financial Comments (MA 17/05/12)

13. The schemes detailed in the report and accompanying Appendix will be met from the Transport and Highways Committee Capital Programme.

Background Papers

Nottinghamshire Local Transport Plan Strategy 2011/12-2025/26
Nottinghamshire Local Transport Plan Implementation Plan 2011/12-2014/15
Nottinghamshire Local Transport Plan Evidence Base 2010

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

All