

Report

Report to: Hamilton Area Committee

Date of Meeting: **05 December 2018**

Report by: Executive Director (Community and Enterprise

Resources)

Subject: Roads Investment Plan - Progress Report

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1. The purpose of the report is to:-
 - Set out progress with the Roads Investment activity in Hamilton Area.

2. Recommendation(s)

- 2.1. The Committee is asked to approve the following recommendation(s):-
 - (1) that the progress in the eleventh and final year of the Roads Investment Plan be noted.

3. Background

- 3.1. It is recognised there is a need to report progress on key priorities to the relevant Area Committee. Given that the Roads Investment Plan 2008/2019 represents total investment of £126 million it is clearly a key Council initiative. Consequently this report provides the Committee with an update on progress in the Hamilton area in the current year.
- 3.2. The condition of roads and pavements continues to be a significant concern for members of the public. The South Lanarkshire Household Survey of 2010 recorded a public satisfaction rating of only 18.6% with regard to the condition of roads and footways highlighting the need to continue the investment programme. A further independent survey in 2013 recorded a satisfaction rating of 24.7% for road conditions. The most recent Household Survey in 2014 identified some further progress with satisfaction levels increasing to 29%. However, this remained the lowest rating of any Council Service and it is clear that while good progress has been achieved much work remains to be done.
- 3.3. The current commitment to the Roads Investment Plan ends in 2019 with future funding subject to ongoing discussions.

4. Improving the Road Network

- 4.1. The road network is the highest value asset owned by the Council, worth over £3.0 billion. With this in mind the Council Plan identifies improvements to the road network as one of the Council's key objectives/priorities.
- 4.2 The Council approved the implementation of a major roads maintenance and reconstruction programme over eight years, 2008 to 2016. In November 2011 the Executive Committee agreed that the timescale be extended from 2016 to 2019.

The total value of the works is £126 million and is phased as follows:-

Year	£m per annum	Total
2008 - 2009	£6 million	£6 million
2009 - 2010	£12 million	£18 million
2010 – 2011	£12 million	£30 million
2011 - 2012	£12 million	£42 million
2012 – 2013	£12 million	£54 million
2013 – 2014	£12 million	£66 million
2014 - 2015	£12 million	£78 million
2015 - 2016	£12 million	£90 million
2016 – 2017	£12 million	£102 million
2017 – 2018	£12 million	£114 million
2018 - 2019	£12 million	£126 million

5. Priorities

5.1 Each carriageway and footway scheme identified for improvement is scored using the criteria listed below. The schemes are then ranked in order of priority to ensure those requiring attention and providing the greatest benefit are included in a programme at the earliest possible date.

Carriageway Scoring System				
	Criteria	Weighting	Score	
1	Condition	10	6	60
2	Claims/Defect Reports	10	1	10
3	Assistance to Other Priorities	10	1	10
4	Maintenance Category	5	4	20
Maximum Total 100				

Footway/Footpath Scoring System					
	Criteria	Max Score	Weighting	Score	
1	Condition	10	5	50	
2	Importance/Accessibility	5	2	10	
3	Claims/Defect Reports	10	2	20	
4	Assistance to Other Priorities	10	2	20	
	Maximum Total 100				

5.2 This approach of treating the worst roads first is also being increasingly complemented by an "asset management" approach whereby relatively low cost interventions, such as surface dressing, are being used to seal existing road surfaces, improve skid resistance and generally prolong the life of the road.

Such an approach represents good value for money and a long term outlook. However, it can generate comments that the "better" roads are being treated before those which are "worse".

5.3 With the Roads Investment Plan ending this year the adequacy of future funding is a key issue.

6 Progress to date – 2018/2019

6.1 To 15 October 2018, in total 119 schemes have been completed throughout South Lanarkshire, including 29 in Hamilton. The remaining 13 in Hamilton are schemes either in progress or programmed to be completed by March 2019 as shown below:-

Carriageway Schemes					
No. of Completed In Progress Programmed % Completed Schemes					
SLC	163	106	8	49	65.03
Hamilton	35	26	3	6	74.29

Footway Schemes					
No. of Completed In Progress Programmed % Completed Schemes					% Complete
SLC	26	13	3	10	50.00
Hamilton	7	3	1	3	42.86

The schemes in the Hamilton Area for 2018-2019 are listed in Appendix 1.

- 6.2 The condition of roads is monitored nationally via the Scottish Road Maintenance Condition Survey (SRMCS). South Lanarkshire's results for 2017/2018 (the most recent results available) show the Council are now 10th of the 32 Councils in terms of the condition of our road network.
- 6.3 The road condition index shows a long term trend of improvement as show in Appendix 2. It should be recognised that significant works still have to be undertaken on minor and residential roads, including footways, to bring them up to standard.

7 Employee Implications

7.1 None.

8. Financial Implications

8.1 Works are being funded via approved budgets. Carriageway condition is improving as a result of the significant investment. However, additional investment in both carriageway and footways will be required beyond 2019 if progress is to be maintained and recent improvements protected. This is subject to ongoing discussions.

9 Other Implications

9.1 Continuing to progress this investment programme will reduce the risk of third party claims and improve public satisfaction with regard to road and footway conditions.

10. Equality Impact Assessment and Consultation Arrangements

- 10.1 The Roads Investment Plan 2008-2019 will improve road and footway conditions for all sections of the community.
- 10.2 There was no requirement to undertake an equality impact assessment or consultation in terms of the content of this report.

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Link(s) to Council Values/Ambitions/Objectives

- Roads Investment remains a Council Plan (Connect) 2017 2022 priority.
- Rural Investment and establishment of a Rural Task Force is a proposed Council Plan (Connect) Action.

Previous References

Hamilton Area Committee – 22 November 2017

List of Background Papers

None

Contact for Further Information

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Appendix 1

Roads Investment Schemes – Hamilton 2018-2019

Capital Investment		
Carriageway Resurfacing Schemes	Costs	Status
A724, Glasgow Road, Hamilton	£44,923	Complete
B758, Blantyre Farm Road, Blantyre	£65,000	In Progress
B7071, Uddingston Road, Bothwell	£191,837	Complete
B7012, Main Street/High Blantyre Roundabout	£164,630	Complete
B758, Douglas Street, Blantyre	£37,402	Complete
Birdsfield Drive, Blantyre	£34,859	Complete
Cemetery Road, Blantyre	£21,843	Complete
Loanfoot Road, Blantyre	£7,000	Complete
North British Road, Uddingston	£39,525	Complete
Lady Jane Gate, Bothwell	£43,118	Complete
Fallside Road, Bothwell (phase 4)	£63,364	Complete
Station Road, Bothwell	£30,000	Complete
Douglas Gardens, Uddingston	£88,308	Complete
Crawford Street, Hamilton	£23,147	Complete
Central Avenue, Blantyre	£75,000	Complete
Third Road, Blantyre	£62,000	In Progress
Larkfield Drive, Blantyre	£39,082	Complete
Devondale Avenue, Blantyre	£60,842	Complete
Victoria Street, Hamilton	£29,867	Complete
A723 Low Waters Road, Hamilton	£153,348	Complete
Auchingramont Road, Hamilton	£121,622	Complete
Silvertonhill Avenue, Hamilton	£92,774	Complete
Bellhaven Road, Hamilton	£94,504	Complete
Hutchison Street, Hamilton	£76,009	Complete
Sherry Drive, Hamilton	£215,377	Complete
Cheviot Road, Hamilton	£39,264	Complete
Union Street, Hamilton	£76,794	Complete
A71 Stonehouse Bypass, Stonehouse	£132,161	Complete
A71 Ayr Road, Stonehouse	£127,090	Complete
A71 Ayr Road, Ashgill	£58,278	Complete
B7078, London Street, Larkhall	£66,644	Complete
Auldton Terrace/Whineknowe, Ashgill	£125,482	Complete
Middleton Avenue, Stonehouse	£100,000	Programmed
Percy Street, Larkhall	£45,414	Complete
Station Road, Netherburn	£63,826	Complete
Capital Carriageway Total	£2,710,334	

Footway Resurfacing Schemes		
Berkely Drive, Blantyre	£66,233	Complete
Woodlea Drive/Tullymet Road, Hamilton	£58,474	In Progress
Jeanette Avenue (phase 2), Hamilton	£86,361	Complete
High Patrick Street, Hamilton	£20,000	Programmed
Pollock Avenue, Hamilton	£50,000	Programmed
Wilson Street, Larkhall	£35,602	In Progress
Mauldslie Place, Ashgill	£48,996	Complete
Capital Footway Total	£365,666	
Capital Total	£3,076,000	

Appendix 2

Road Condition Index 2009-2017









