

# Report

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| Report to:       | <b>Roads Safety Forum</b>                                      |
| Date of Meeting: | <b>8 August 2019</b>   |
| Report by:       | <b>Executive Director (Community and Enterprise Resources)</b> |

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| Subject: | <b>Capital Programme of Road Safety Engineering Projects 2019/2020</b> |
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## 1. Purpose of Report

1.1. The purpose of the report is to:-

- ◆ advise the Forum of the proposed Capital Programme of Road Safety Engineering Projects for 2019/2020 that will contribute to achieving government casualty reduction targets

## 2. Recommendation(s)

2.1. The Forum is asked to approve the following recommendation(s):-

- (1) that the contents of the Capital Programme of Road Safety Engineering Projects for 2019/2020 be noted.

## 3. Background

- 3.1. The Council's Local Transport Strategy 2013 to 2023 identifies a number of road safety policies and actions. As a consequence, the Council seeks to reduce the number and severity of casualties within South Lanarkshire and contribute towards the achievement of the 2020 national casualty reduction targets.
- 3.2. The Council will assess road safety enquiries and target resources and improvements where three or more injury accidents have occurred in the previous three years or on routes that have an injury accident rate greater than the national average for the type of route.
- 3.3. As a result, the Council delivers annual prioritised road safety improvements at identified accident locations/routes/areas. Funding is sought from a variety of sources on an annual basis to deliver numerous projects and initiatives.
- 3.4. The Road Safety Forum, at its meeting of 5 December 2017, was advised of the methodology used to identify where road accidents are occurring in South Lanarkshire and how the information is used to prioritise identified accident locations. Tables are produced annually to prioritise the Capital Programme of Road Safety Engineering Projects. These reports further explained the tried and tested measures that have been employed to assist in casualty reduction to date, as well as their success.
- 3.5. At the Road Safety Forum of 12 March 2019, members were advised that a number of identified accident locations were to be investigated in detail.

#### **4. Route Action Plan Assessment**

- 4.1. The annual assessment of rural A class and B class routes was concluded and a number of locations were identified for detailed investigations. A total of 40 sections currently have an accident rate greater than the national average and, of these, we investigated 13 locations. The outcome of these investigations and proposed actions are listed in Appendix 1 with works currently being instructed and programmed.

#### **5. Single Site Assessment**

- 5.1. The annual assessment of single site locations identified that 59 have had three or more injury accidents occurring in the previous three years. 15 locations were assessed in detail with the outcome of these investigations and proposed actions shown in Appendix 2. These will shortly be instructed and programmed.

#### **6. Traffic Signals/Pedestrian Crossings**

- 6.1. Within South Lanarkshire, there are over 200 installations. These require to be upgraded and replaced every 15 to 20 years and replacement is ongoing. New installations feature up to date vehicular and pedestrian detection and tactile paving, revised timings and dropped kerbs are also provided to meet current standards.
- 6.2. Traffic signal upgrade works are currently being programmed for:-
- ◆ High Blantyre Road/Burnbank Road/Glasgow Road, Hamilton
  - ◆ Glasgow Road/Joanna Street, Blantyre
  - ◆ Main Street/Station Road, Uddingston
- 6.3. Design works are ongoing and it is anticipated that upgrade works will begin in September and be completed by December 2019.

#### **7. Engineering Measures at Schools**

- 7.1. Measures identified through ongoing School Travel Plan development such as improved/additional signing, road markings and guardrail etc are being taken forward. Car free school zones are also being progressed. Through discussion with Education Resources, consideration was given to the characteristics of the road and footway network surrounding the school, potential road safety / congestion issues at the school and possible alterations at schools as well as the school's ongoing participation and support in road safety initiatives such as travel planning, etc.
- 7.2. The sites to be taken forward in the first tranche for consultation are:-
- ◆ Burnside Primary School, Glenlui Avenue, Rutherglen
  - ◆ St. Anthony's/ Loch Primary Schools, Lochaber Drive, Rutherglen
  - ◆ St. Joseph's Primary School, Park Lane, Blantyre
- 7.3. The remaining five sites will be considered for a future tranche of locations to be progressed. These locations are listed below:-
- ◆ Glengowan Primary School, Summerlee Road, Larkhall
  - ◆ Kirklandpark Primary School, Kirklandpark Avenue, Strathaven
  - ◆ Neilsland / St Peters Primary Schools – Highstonehall Road
  - ◆ St John the Baptist Primary School – North British Road, Uddingston
  - ◆ Strathaven Academy – Bowling Green Road, Strathaven
- 7.4. Roads and Transportation Services will be consulting with the Head Teachers at all the above schools in August 2019 to advise them of the locations to be included in the first tranche. The next step will be to undertake consultation with the first tranche of schools, the respective Parent Councils, local members, Police Scotland and affected residents over the proposals.

## **8. Engineering Measures at Schools**

- 8.1. Development of cycle and pedestrian infrastructure, facilities and safety features will be taken forward this year. Infrastructure works are proposed to be implemented in East Kilbride Town Centre and National Cycle Network 74 between Bothwell and Uddingston. Works will include footway upgrades, cycle/pedestrian signage and markings as well as a new toucan crossing.

## **9. Employee Implications**

- 9.1. There are no employee implications associated with this report.

## **10. Financial Implications**

- 10.1. The projects discussed in this report will be progressed and funded through the Scottish Government Grant: Cycling, Walking and Safety Streets (£520,000), SPT funding (£580,000) for accident reduction measures on strategic routes/cycle facilities and South Lanarkshire Council's Roads Investment Plan (£200,000) for improved infrastructure.

## **11. Other Implications**

- 11.1. There are no significant risks associated with this report, nor any environmental implications.
- 11.2. There are no implications for sustainability in terms of the information contained within this report.

## **12. Equality Impact Assessment and Consultation Arrangements**

- 12.1. This report does not introduce a new policy, function or strategy or recommend a change to an existing policy, function or strategy and, therefore, no impact assessment is required.
- 12.2. Consultation forms an integral part of the promotion of any traffic regulation order that is required for the implementation of a new speed limit.

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9 July 2019

## **Link(s) to Council Values/Ambitions/Objectives**

- ◆ Make communities safer, stronger and sustainable
- ◆ Protect vulnerable children, young people and adults
- ◆ Support our communities by tackling disadvantage and deprivation and supporting aspiration
- ◆ Improve the road network, influence improvements in public transport and encourage active travel

## **Previous References**

Road Safety Forum - 12 March 2019 - Priority Road Safety Engineering Projects 2019/2020

## **List of Background Papers**

None.

**Contact for Further Information**

If you would like inspect any of the background papers or want any further information, please contact: - Stuart Laird, Roads and Transportation Services

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## Appendix 1 – Rural Sections for Investigation (A and B Class Roads)

| Route               | Start Point             | End Point              | Action Identified | Proposed Action   |
|---------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|-------------------|---|
| A70                 | Glespin                 | Douglas                | Y                 | Provision of high grip road surfacing   |
| A70                 | Carnwath                | Council Boundary       | Y                 | Provision of additional warning signs and high grip surfacing   |
| B7011 Brownlee Road | A71 Horsley Brae        | Mauldslie Road         | Y                 | Provision of new junction warning sign, repair to vehicle activated sign and existing sign surfaces cleaned                     |
| B7012               | A726 EK Expressway      | High Blantyre          | Y                 | Provision of additional signing and road marking alterations.   |
| B759 Cathkin Road   | A749 East Kilbride Road | Council Boundary       | Y                 | Provision of high grip road surfacing and road markings   |
| B7086               | Strathaven              | Kirkmuirhill           | Y                 | Provision of high grip road surfacing   |
| B7078               | M74 J10                 | M74 J11 (Poneil)       | N                 | Monitoring will continue.   |
| B7078               | Kirkmuirhill            | M74 J10                | Y                 | Single site works identified at the slip road off-ramp with the M74 (Junction 9) (see Appendix 2).<br>Monitoring will continue. |
| A73                 | A70 Hyndford Bridge     | A72 Junction Symington | N                 | Single site works identified at the crossroads with Station Road. Monitoring will continue.                                     |
| A73                 | Braidwood               | Lanark                 | N                 | Monitoring will continue.   |
| A70                 | Glespin                 | Council Boundary       | Y                 | Provision of additional SLOW road markings  |
| B7078               | Canderside              | Blackwood              | Y                 | Provision of new road marking and warning signs.  |
| A706                | Harelaw Roundabout      | Forth                  | N                 | Monitoring will continue.   |

## Appendix 2 – Single Sites for Investigation

| Location   | Road Class | Built Up/ Non Built up | Action Identified | Proposed Action  |
|--|------------|------------------------|-------------------|--|
| Main St, 100m west of Greenlees Road, Cambuslang         | A          | BU                     | Y                 | Junction alteration work include the removal of the pedestrian island arrangement and full upgrade to the traffic signal controlling the junction. |
| A724 Burnbank Road / Glasgow Road, Burnbank              | A          | BU                     | Y                 | Provision of high grip surfacing will be provided. In addition the traffic signal equipment will be replaced and upgraded.                         |
| A723/A72 Low Patrick Street at Townhead Street, Hamilton | A          | BU                     | Y                 | Provision of warning signs and high grip surfacing   |
| Calderwood Road / Greystone Avenue, Rutherglen           | U          | BU                     | Y                 | The existing junction configuration will be replaced with a mini roundabout.   |
| Hillhouse Road / Clarkwell Road, Hillhouse               | U          | BU                     | N                 | Monitoring will continue.  |
| A724 Main Street at Clydeford Road, Cambuslang           | A          | BU                     | N                 | Monitoring will continue   |
| B7078 at M74 J9 off ramp                                 | B          | NBU                    | Y                 | Relocate 20mph speed limit and provision of new speed limit gateway signage  |
| B7071 Bothwell Road near Douglas Gardens, Bothwell       | B          | BU                     | Y                 | Provision of signage and coloured surfacing.   |
| Main St / Broompark Road, Blantyre                       | U          | BU                     | N                 | Waiting restrictions were laid at the junction in May 2019. Monitoring will continue.  |
| A749 Stonelaw Road, Rutherglen                           | A          | BU                     | Y                 | Existing white and yellow road markings will be refreshed.   |
| A73 at Station Road Junction, Thankerton                 | A          | NBU                    | Y                 | Provision of safety camera signage, double white line extension and high grip surfacing  |
| B7071 Main Street, Uddingston near Lower Millgate        | B          | BU                     | N                 | Monitoring will continue   |
| A73 Lanark Road near March Bridge, Lanark                | A          | NBU                    | Y                 | Provision of SLOW road markings.   |
| A70 North of Dryburn Bridge, Tarbrax                     | A          | NBU                    | Y                 | Provision of warning signs and high grip surfacing   |
| Newhousemill Road at Bridge, East Kilbride               | U          | NBU                    | Y                 | Provision of additional warning signs and high grip surfacing.   |