

Subject:

Report to:	Hamilton Area Committee
Date of Meeting:	22 November 2017
Report by:	Executive Director (Community and Enterprise Resources)

# 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) Note the progress in the tenth year of the Roads Investment Plan

#### 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 2008/19 represents total investment of £126M 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 March 2019, with capital investment reducing from £12M to £5.5M in 2019/2020. In addition revenue funding provides further financial support as identified at Appendix 1.

#### 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	Max Score	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 "better" roads are being treated before those which are "worse".

### 6. **Progress to date – 2017/18**

6.1. To 19 September 2017, in total 81 schemes have been completed throughout South Lanarkshire, including 21 in Hamilton. The remaining 10 in Hamilton are schemes either in progress or programmed to be completed by March 2018, as shown below:-

Carriageway Schemes						
	No. of Completed Programmed Remaining % Completed					
	Schemes	-	_	_	_	
SLC	187	76	104	7	40.6%	
Hamilton	31	21	10	0	67.7%	

Footway Schemes					
	No. of Completed Programmed Remaining % Comp Schemes				% Complete
SLC	13	5	7	1	38.4%
Hamilton	0	0	0	0	N/A

The schemes in the Hamilton Area for 2017 - 2018 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 2016/17 (the most recent results available) show the Council are now 13<sup>th</sup> of the 32 Councils in terms of the condition of our road network.
- 6.3. The road condition index shows a trend of improvement as shown 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. This reflects the survey data contained within 6.2 of this report.

#### 7. Employee Implications

7.1. There are no employee implications associated with this report.

# 8. Financial Implications

8.1. Works are being funded via approved budgets. Carriageway condition is improving as a result of the significant investment.

#### 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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8 November 2017

# Link(s) to Council Values/Objectives

- Roads Investment is a Council Plan (Connect) 2007-2011 key priority
- Rural Investment and establishment of a Rural Task Force is a proposed Council Plan (Connect) Action.

#### **Previous References**

• Hamilton Area Committee - 30 November 2016

### List of Background Papers

None

#### **Contact for Further Information**

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# Appendix 1

# Roads Investment Schemes – Hamilton Area 2017-2018

Capital Investment		
Carriageways	Costs	Status
B755 Chantinghall Road, Hamilton	£120,000	In Progress
Wellhall Road, Hamilton	£105,015	Complete
Newfield Crescent/Woodview Terrace, Hamilton	£50,640	Complete
Johnstone Road, Hamilton	£44,800	Complete
Comely Bank, Hamilton	£95,000	In Progress
Dechmont Street, Hamilton	£68,650	Complete
Swift Bank, Hamilton	£45,000	Programmed
Davington Drive, Hamilton	£66,460	Complete
Mill Road, Hamilton	£78,000	Programmed
Alder Avenue, Hamilton	£38,710	Complete
Alness Street, Hamilton	£84,130	Complete
B7071, Main Street, Uddingston	£112,305	Complete
Blantyre Mill Road, Bothwell	£40,000	Complete
Holmwood Gardens, Uddingston	£45,335	Complete
Crawford Crescent, Blantyre	£30,000	Programmed
Bute Street, Hamilton	£15,920	Complete
Dryburgh Street, Hamilton	£19,185	Complete
Whitehill Road, Hamilton	£32,830	Complete
Victoria Street, Hamilton	£45,000	Programmed
Braemar Street, Hamilton	£32,000	Complete
Church Street, Uddingston	£27,850	Complete
Castle Avenue, Bothwell	£80,000	Programmed
Sydes Brae, Blantyre	£122,330	Complete
Auchinraith Road, Blantyre	£75,625	Complete
Scott Street/Nevison Street/Mason Street, Larkhall	£108,000	Programmed
Sidehead Road, Stonehouse	£106,500	Complete
Lawrie Street, Stonehouse	£60,000	Programmed
Donaldson Road, Larkhall	£138,535	Complete
A71 Cornsilloch Roundabout	£49,380	Complete
Carscallan Road, Hamilton	£240,000	Programmed
A72 Carlisle Road, Ferniegair	£415,170	Programmed
Sub Total	£2,592,370	
Anti-Skid Surfacing		
Muir Street, Hamilton	£10,000	Complete
Leechlee Road, Hamilton	£5,000	Complete
Neilsland Road, Hamilton	£5,000	Complete
Brandon Street, Hamilton	£8,000	Complete
A724 Glasgow Road, Blantyre at Victoria Street	£8,000	Complete
Sydes Brae, Blantyre	£16,000	Complete
Newhousemill Road, Hamilton	£6,000	Complete

Blantyre Farm Road, Blantyre	£8,000	Complete
A724 Glasgow Road, Blantyre at Cowan Wilson Place	£9,000	Complete
A72 Lanark Road , Larkhall at Duke Street	£8,000	Complete
A72 Lanark Road, Larkhall at Highlees	£26,000	Complete
A72 Lanark Road, Larkhall at Browns Nursery	£28,000	Complete
A71 Ayr Road, Larkhall	£56,000	Complete
A723 Strathaven Road, Hamilton	£19,000	Complete
Sub Total	£212,000	
Capital Total	£2,804,370	
Revenue Investment		
Carriageways		
Machine Patching	£126,860	In Progress
Drainage Improvements	£40,000	In Progress
Winter held sum	£150,000	N/A
Sub Total	£316,860	
Footway works		
Dropped kerbs and disability access	£15,000	In Progress
Sub Total	£15,000	
Revenue Total	£331,860	

### Appendix 2

#### Road Condition Index 2009-2017









