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Report to:	<b>Roads Safety Forum</b>
Date of Meeting:	<b>27 June 2016</b>
Report by:	<b>Executive Director (Community and Enterprise Resources)</b>

Subject:	<b>Capital Programme of Road Safety Engineering Works for 2016/2017</b>
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## 1. Purpose of Report

1.1. The purpose of the report is to:-

- ◆ inform the Forum of the Capital Programme of Road Safety Engineering Works for 2016/2017 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 Works for 2016/2017 be noted.

## 3. Background

3.1. The Roads Safety Forum, at its meeting of 8 February 2016, was advised of the provisional number of casualties occurring in the Council area in 2015 and of the trend in casualties with the Scottish Government's casualty reduction targets. It was further advised that, as progress to the 2020 targets is approaching half distance, it can be said that after six years of continuous casualty reduction, the provisional figures, which increased in all categories, remind us that there is still a lot of work to do and that the 2020 targets are challenging.

3.2. The Road Safety Forum, at its meeting of 6 February 2013, was advised of the methodology used to identify where road accidents are occurring in South Lanarkshire, how the information is used to prioritise identified accident locations and how these tables are then used to prioritise the Capital Programme of Road Safety Engineering Works. 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.

## 4. Capital Programme of Road Safety Engineering Works for 2016/2017

4.1. Funding of the Capital Programme is provided from three sources: Scottish Government Grant: Cycling, Walking and Safer Streets (CWSS) funding (£346,000), Strathclyde Partnership for Transport (SPT) funding (£225,000) for route action plans on strategic routes and South Lanarkshire Council's Roads Investment Plan (£100,000) for improved infrastructure.

4.2. The philosophy that has guided the development of previous Capital Programmes of Road Safety Engineering Works has been continued when developing the 2016/2017 programme (Appendix 1). Targeting locations with casualty records is the main priority, and accounts for approximately 47% of the budget. Other road safety initiatives take up the remaining 53%. The initiatives targeting accident locations are the Route Action Plans and the AIP Single Site schemes.

4.3. The other road safety initiatives are:

- Road Safety Infrastructure Improvements
- Speed Limit Initiatives
- Traffic Signals/Pedestrian Crossings
- Engineering measures at schools
- Cycle Schemes

## **5. Financial Implications**

5.1. The projects will be financed through the Scottish Government Grant: CWSS (£346,000), SPT funding (£225,000) for route action plans on strategic routes and South Lanarkshire Council's Roads Investment Plan (£100,000) for improved infrastructure.

## **6. Employee Implications**

6.1. The projects will be delivered utilising existing staff resources.

## **7. Other Implications**

7.1. There are no significant risks as assessments are carried out using criteria based upon national best practice.

7.2. There are no implications for sustainability in terms of the information contained within this report.

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

8.1. 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.

8.2. Consultation will form an integral part of the promotion of the traffic regulation orders required for the new speed limits.

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31 May 2016

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

- Improve community safety
- Improve road network and influence improvements in public transport
- Protect vulnerable children, young people and adults

**Previous References**

- Roads Safety Forum of 6 February 2013
- Roads Safety Forum of 20 May 2015
- Roads Safety Forum of 25 February 2016

**List of Background Papers**

None

**Contact for Further Information**

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**APPENDIX 1**

**Capital Programme of Road Safety Engineering Works for 2016/2017**

Cycling, Walking and Safer Streets (CWSS) Grant	£346,000
Strathclyde Partnership for Transport (SPT)	£225,000
South Lanarkshire Councils Road Investment Plan (SLC)	<u>£100,000</u>
Total	£671,000

Projects	Justification	Action	CWSS	SPT	SLC
<b>Route Action Plans/AIP Single Sites</b>					
B7018 Kirkfieldbank to B7078	Accident rate 138% when compared to the national average.	Warning signs, road markings and verge marker posts		£225,000	
A726 at Knotlairs Farm	Single site with a series of non-injury accidents occurring on a single bend.	Anti-skid surfacing to be applied.	£51,000		
B7078 at Glenavon Court Larkhall	Single site with three or more injury accidents in three years	Additional warning signs and verge marker posts	£1,000		
B7078 at Candermill Road cross roads	Single site with three or more injury accidents in three years	Introduction of Vehicle Activated Signs	£16,000		
A72 east of M74 junction 7	Single site with three or more injury accidents in three years	Additional warning signs and verge marker posts	£17,000		
B7071 Bothwell Road/Caird Street	Single site with three or more injury accidents in three years	Investigation into altering staging arrangements and improvements to capacity issues	£5,000		
<b>Road Safety Measures/Speed Limit initiatives</b>	Minor/routine road safety measures identified through enquiries	Pedestrian guardrail, road markings and road signs	£10,000		

<b>Traffic Signals/Pedestrian Crossings</b>	Change Upgrading of facilities to improve safety and encourage walking.	Upgrade of pedestrian crossings at Leechlee Road/Cadzow Street, Hamilton and Bottom Cross, Hamilton.	£86,000		
<b>Engineering Measures at Schools</b>	Measures identified through previous and ongoing School Travel Plans as well as discussions with schools	Provision of engineering measures such as improved/additional signing, road markings, guardrail etc	£20,000		
<b>Cycle Schemes</b>	Development of cycle infrastructure to increase cycling	Continue to complete sections of the strategic and local road network.	£140,000		
<b>Roads Investment Plan</b>	Improve traffic signal infrastructure	Upgrade traffic signal junctions at Main street, Carnwath and Hamilton Road/Bothwell Golf Course			£100,000
<b>Total</b>			<b>£346,000</b>	<b>£225,000</b>	<b>£100,000</b>