

Name of meeting: Cabinet Date: 21 May 2020

Title of report: 2020/2021 Road Surfacing Programme - Large Schemes over £250k

Purpose of report: This is a key decision to seek approval for a programme of road resurfacing schemes for 2020/2021. These are schemes that each requires spend of more than £250,000 on the road network

Key Decision - Is it likely to result in spending or saving £250k or more, or to have a significant effect on two or more electoral wards?	Yes  Spend on capital plan is over £250k in spend  Affects more than 1 ward
Key Decision - Is it in the Council's Forward Plan (key decisions and private reports)?	Key Decision - Yes
The Decision - Is it eligible for call in by Scrutiny?	Yes
Date signed off by <u>Strategic Director</u> & name	Karl Battersby - 20.03.20
Is it also signed off by the Service Director for Finance?	Eamonn Croston - 20.03.20
Is it also signed off by the Service Director for Legal Governance and Commissioning?	Julie Muscroft - 11.05.20
Cabinet member portfolio	Cllr Rob Walker - Culture and Environment Cllr Graham Turner - Corporate

Electoral wards affected: Ashbrow, Almondbury, Dalton, Dewsbury South, Holme Valley South, Newsome.

Ward councillors consulted:

Public or private: Public

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### 1. Summary

Road resurfacing works are proposed within the Highways Capital Plan for the following roads:

Scheme	From	То	Ward	Scheme Estimate	Programme	Plan
A62 Leeds Road	Bradley Road	Cooper Bridge Road	Ashbrow	£495,000	Principal* Roads	DS/25/64221/CAB
B6432 Firth Street	B6432 Colne Road	A629 Wakefield Road	Dalton Newsome	£340,000	Roads Connecting Communities	DS/25/64091/CAB
A62 Castlegate	Outcote Bank	Castlegate Loop	Newsome	£435,000	Principal Roads	DS/25/64551/CAB
Mill Street East	Saville Road	Warren Street	Dewsbury South	£405,000	Roads Connecting Communities	DS/25/65328/CAB
Highlands Avenue/Highcroft Crescent	Somerset Road	Wormald Street	Almondbury	£300,000	Unclassified Roads	DS/49/99999/CAB
A6024 Woodhead Road, Holme Moss	Summit car park	250m towards Holme Village	Holme Valley South	£1,000,000	Principal * Roads Programme	DS/49/99999/CAB

<sup>\*\*</sup> Joint (Kirklees and Calderdale Councils) challenge fund bid submitted to the Department of Transport was successful.

### 2. Information required to take a decision

2.1 Annual surveys of road condition identify the backlog of road repairs. The current backlog by road classification is shown in Table 2. These schemes will repair roads and improve the backlog of repair.

Table 2

Road Type	Backlog of adopted road network that requires immediate repair.	Year on year performance of road condition
A Roads	6km (3%)	Steady state
B&C Roads	8km (3.4%)	Steady state
Other roads (U)	250km (21%)	Declining

2.2 The funding source is the Department for Transport highway maintenance grant allocation administrated through the West Yorkshire Combined Authority. Road surfacing schemes consider the needs of all road users, hence elements of road safety e.g. improved skid resistance, network management, drainage etc. are included in the schemes.

The council was successful in its joint challenge fund bid with Calderdale Council for:

A62 Leeds Road Bradley including resolving the ongoing flooding of the carriageway at Cooper Bridge. Combined with slope stabilisation, drainage repairs and carriageway

resurfacing at A6024 Woodhead Road Holme Moss. Total scheme cost is £2.84m with a DFT contribution of £2.03m. The implications on the capital plan of the outcomes of the bid will be reflected in subsequent capital plan revisions.

The schemes will be discussed during Utility Liaison Meetings held with Highways Network Management and Coordination team and any necessary utility works will be carried out prior to the resurfacing. A Section 58 Protection has been issued for the extents of the proposed surfacing, which will provide a five-year protection from planned utility excavations with the exception of emergency situations and connects to customers.

2.3 We are aware that these schemes may cause significant difficulties for road users.

Officers will be in discussion with local councillors about the proposed improvements, and how delay and disruption can be minimised where possible. Early contractor involvement should help mitigate some of the problems which the works will cause.

## 2.4 A62 Leeds Road, Bradley/Cooper Bridge

- **2.4.1** The works comprise of drainage improvements to prevent flooding under the Railway Bridge and lane incursion, footway repairs and road resurfacing.
- **2.4.2** Subject to Cabinet Approval, works are programmed to start in 20/21.
- **2.4.3** Proposed actions to minimise disruption:
  - Advanced variable messaging signs will be erected informing drivers about the intended works and to expect delays.
  - Working at off-peak times to minimise the impact of the work to through traffic.
  - Local and digital media will be used to inform road users of road closures, progress and potential for delay and disruption.
  - The method of work will involve a mixture of weekday working off-peak, evening and weekend working.

## 2.5 B6432 Firth Street, Huddersfield

- **2.5.1** The works comprise road resurfacing, footway repairs and reconstruction of the existing traffic calming features.
- 2.5.2 Subject to Cabinet Approval, works are programmed to start July 2020.
- **2.5.3** Proposed actions to minimise disruption:
  - Advanced vehicle messaging signs will be erected informing drivers about the intended works and to expect delays.
  - Working off-peak times to minimise the impact of the work to through traffic.
  - Working outside of University term dates to minimise the impact on the University.
  - Local and digital media will be used to inform road users of local road closures, the progress and potential for delay and disruption.
  - A road closure will be put in place to allow the works to be carried out safely. The timings
    of this closure will be considered in order to minimise the impact on local businesses as
    much as reasonably practicable.
  - The method of work will involve a mixture of weekend work, weekday work through the off-peak period and night shifts between the hours of 7pm and 7am.
  - Side roads will be closed as necessary.

## 2.6 A62 Castlegate, Huddersfield

- 2.6.1 The works comprise road resurfacing, drainage works and a lane-drop road marking and signing scheme which also improves the efficiency of this busy traffic signalled junction.
- 2.6.2 Subject to Cabinet Approval, works are programmed to start summer 2020.
- 2.6.3 Proposed actions to minimise disruption:
  - Advanced vehicle messaging signs will be erected informing drivers about the intended works and to expect delays.
  - Working at off-peak times to minimise the impact of the work to through traffic.
  - A temporary road closure of the outer Ring Road will be necessary to allow the works to be undertaken safely and for the programme to be expedited, reducing disruption to a minimum. Traffic will be diverted along the inner Ring Road whilst works take place.
  - Some sections of the work will require junctions onto Castlegate to be closed to allow work to be carried out safely. The timings of these closures will be considered in order to minimise disruption to local residents and through traffic.
  - The works will be phased, and access to the maximum amount of the Outer Ring Road will be maintained as much as is possible. Residents and businesses within the affected area will be updated regularly.
  - The method of work will be night shifts between the hours of 7pm and 5am.
  - Local and digital media will be used to inform road users of local road closures, the progress and potential for delay and disruption.

## 2.7 Mill Street East, Dewsbury

- 2.7.1 The works comprise road resurfacing, footway repairs and drainage repairs.
- 2.7.2 Subject to Cabinet Approval, works are programmed to start summer 2020.
- 2.7.3 Proposed actions to minimise disruption:
  - Advanced vehicle messaging signs will be erected informing drivers about the intended works and to expect delays.
  - Working off-peak times to minimise the impact of the work to through traffic.
  - Local and digital media will be used to inform road users of local road closures, the progress and potential for delay and disruption.
  - A road closure will be put in place to allow the works to be carried out safely. The timings
    of this closure will be considered in order to minimise the impact on local businesses as
    much as reasonably practicable.
  - The method of work will involve a mixture of weekend work, weekday work through the off-peak period and night shifts between the hours of 7pm and 7am.
  - Side roads will be closed as necessary.

## 2.8 Highlands Avenue/Highcroft Crescent, Almondbury

2.8.1 The works comprise road resurfacing, kerbing and footway works, upgrading of the street lighting and drainage repairs.

- 2.8.2 Subject to Cabinet Approval, works are programmed to start in Summer 2020.
- 2.8.3 Proposed actions to minimise disruption:
  - Advanced vehicle messaging signs will be erected informing drivers about the intended works and to expect delays.
  - A temporary road closure will be in place for the duration of the works with access for residents only.

### 2.9 A6024 Woodhead Road, Holme Moss

- 2.9.1 The works comprise road resurfacing, drainage improvements and slope stabilisation.
- 2.9.2 Subject to Cabinet Approval, it is anticipated at this time that works are programmed to start in 20/21.
- 2.9.3 Proposed actions to minimise disruption:
  - Advanced vehicle messaging signs will be erected informing drivers about the intended works and to expect delays.
  - Portfolio and local council briefing
  - A road closure will be put in place to allow the works to be carried out safely.
  - Local and digital media will be used to inform road users of local road closures, the progress and potential for delay and disruption.
  - Close liaison with Derbyshire County Council.

## 3. Implications for the Council

# 3.1 Working with People

Schemes will be developed in conjunction with communication, consultation and feedback from the community and their representatives.

## 3.2 Working with Partners

Maintenance and improvements to the transport network are vital for the development of local businesses and helps develop Kirklees as a quality place where people want to live, work and visit.

### 3.3 Place Based Working

These works are part of a programme of road resurfacing that is shaped to follow good asset management practice, and will be delivered in consultation with our Local Councillors and Communities to minimise the impact of these works on the local network.

### 3.4 Climate Change and Air Quality

There is likely to be no ongoing impact and changes for the roads resurfacing works however whilst works are taking place the permit scheme helps the council minimise delay and disruption from works, including: a reduction in the average duration of works on permit streets and days of disruption saved through permit application assessments. The reduction in average work days, and days of disruption, contribute to the Council's response to the climate emergency as it provides a reduction in carbon through reduced

numbers of works vehicle movements and less congestion and disruption during works. This will clearly provide a benefit to public transport and active travel journeys. The permit scheme will apply to all schemes delivered on the network so these benefits should not only be realised for the roads resurfacing works but all works delivered in 2020/21.Resurfacing of these roads will also reduce the need for ongoing and increasing amounts of maintenance work which causes delay, disruption to road users and with road surfaces that are more hazardous to low carbon modes of transport.

## 3.5 Improving Outcomes for Children

There will be no impact

Investing in our roads and footways infrastructure in and around our district, will expand opportunities for children to enjoy their environment and increase opportunities for active travel, which the improved network provides, to access their schools and local facilities.

#### 3.6 Other

These works are part of a detailed capital plan that will be managed and monitored by the service in accordance with 3.10 of the Council's Financial Procedure Rules that delegates authority to manage the Plan at Service Director level.

## 4. Consultees and their opinions

Consultation will be undertaken with local businesses/residents and the local ward Councillors. A further information letter will go out to all frontage properties in advance of each scheme starting, detailing the programme for the works.

## 5. Next steps and timelines

Officers will progress the design and construction of the works.

### 6. Officer recommendations and reasons

That Cabinet approves the large scheme road resurfacing programme.

Reasons:

The schemes improve important local routes and reduce the maintenance backlog.

#### 7. Cabinet Portfolio Holder's recommendations

Re-read both the Highways Capital Plan and Maintenance Schemes Reports. Agree both and cannot wait for the required capital to enable the much needed improvement programmes to start as good quality roads are key to our future regeneration and growth.

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# 9. Background Papers and History of Decisions

Papers: Plans

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