# Report to the Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport Report submitted by: Director of Corporate Commissioning

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Electoral Divisions affected:

## Proposed 2016/17 Highway Maintenance, Road Safety, Cycling and Public Rights of Way New Starts Capital Programme

(Appendices 'A' to 'J' refer)

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## **Executive Summary**

On the 11<sup>th</sup> February 2016 Full Council gave approval for £20.454 million received from the Department for Transport (DfT) to be used to develop the 2016/17 new starts highway maintenance capital programme. Further allocations were also approved to improve the safety of our streets for vulnerable people, including £0.5 million to address road safety issues, £0.5 million to specifically address cycling casualties, with an additional £0.25 million to address structural repairs on the Public Rights of Way network.

This report sets out at Appendix 'A' the criteria used to select projects for inclusion in the above new starts programmes. The proposed 2016-17 list of projects is detailed at Appendices 'B' to 'J'.

This is deemed to be a Key Decision and the provisions of Standing Order No. 25 have been complied with.

#### Recommendation

The Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport is requested to:

- (i) Approve the criteria for project selection set out at Appendix 'A';
- (ii) Approve the proposed 2016-17 list of projects set out at Appendices 'B' to 'J' relating to; and
  - £20.454 million for highway maintenance
  - £0.5 million to address road safety issues
  - £0.5 million to address cycling casualties
  - £0.25 million to address structural repairs on the Public Rights of Way network
- (iii) Ask officers to bring forward additional schemes for funding from the cycling programme allocation once identified.



## **Background and Advice**

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The following table sets out the approved 2016/17 capital programme allocations:

Asset Class	Allocation	
A,B,C Roads	£8m	
Urban Unclassified Roads (including pre patching)	£1.304m	
Rural Unclassified Roads (including pre patching)	£1.050m	
Footways	£3m	
Drainage	£1m	
Street Lighting	£1m	
Traffic Signals	£0.1m	
Bridges	£3m	
Structural Defects	£2m	
Total	£20.454 m	

Asset Class	Allocation
Road Safety Projects	£0.5m
Cycling Safety	£0.5m
Public Rights of Way	£0.250m

The criteria proposed for developing the 2016-17 highway maintenance programme, and set out at Appendix 'A' is aligned with the Transport Asset Management Plan (TAMP), and will help ensure that a more proactive, preventative intervention maintenance programme is developed; rather than reacting to the deterioration of the road network.

It is proposed that the road safety, cycling safety and Public Rights of Way allocations be allocated on a countywide basis.

It is recommended that officers bring forward additional schemes for funding from the cycling programme allocation once identified.

The 2016-17 proposed list of projects is set out at Appendices 'B' to 'J' for approval.

#### **Consultations**

N/A

## Implications:

This item has the following implications, as indicated:

## Risk management

There is a risk that some of the schemes set out at Appendices 'B' to 'J' may not be delivered or could be delayed due to changes to estimated costs, other priorities emerging within year as a result of bad weather or other unforeseen circumstances.

#### **Financial**

The financial implications of this capital programme can be funded from the capital resources made available by Full Council on 11<sup>th</sup> February 2016.

## **List of Background Papers**

Paper	Date	Contact/Tel
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Report to Full Council 11<sup>th</sup> February 2016 Jane Johnson01772

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Reason for inclusion in Part II, if appropriate

N/A