

Summary: Progress against delivery of the Capital Programme for Rossendale in the first quarter of 2015/16

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Highways Maintenance Capital Programme Update

5 out of 7 capital schemes, due for delivery in quarter 1, have either been completed or are progressing as planned and are detailed below. For details of the remaining schemes, please see the 'Progress not as expected' section.

Progress As Expected

A, B and C Roads

- **Surface dressing work has been completed in the following areas:**
 - Church Street/High Street/Hud Rake from Regent Street to Blackburn Road in Haslingden (Rossendale West)
 - Turnpike from Priory Close to Burnley Road East (Rossendale North)
- **A671 Burnley Road (Rossendale East)** – carriageway resurfacing work has been completed.

Urban Unclassified

- **Carriageway resurfacing work has been completed in the following areas:**
 - Bridge Street in Haslingden (Rossendale South)
 - Lime Tree Grove in Rawtenstall (Rossendale North)

Progress Not As Expected

Road Safety

- **A681 Newchurch Road in Stacksteads (Rossendale East)** – works to refurbish the traffic signal equipment in the area will now be completed during quarter 2 2015/16 due to delays with the previous contractor. A new contractor has now been appointed to complete the work.

Traffic Signals

- **Manchester Road, South of Princess Street in Haslingden (Rossendale South)** – works to refurbish the traffic signal equipment in the area will now be completed during quarter 2 2015/16 due to delays with the previous contractor. A new contractor has now been appointed to complete the work.

East Lancashire Connectivity Study (ELCS)

The ELCS Conditional Output Statement has been completed and approved by the Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport. It states the county council's adopted position in future discussions and negotiations with the Department for Transport, Rail North, the wider rail industry and adjacent transport authorities, with particular regard to the next rail industry investment period covering 2019 to 2024 (known as 'Control Period 6').

The Ribble Valley Growth Corridor Strategy is currently under development and due for completion in autumn 2015.

The M66 Gateway Study is currently in progress and due for completion in autumn 2015.

Bacup Town Centre

There is currently a reassessment of the highways element of works that will be carried out in line with THI funding criteria. An update on this project will be provided at the end of quarter 2 2015/16.

Road and Street Maintenance

2015/16	Apr	May	Jun	15/16 Overall (Apr - June)		15/16 Target
Rossendale						
Monthly % of potholes filled within 20 days	100%	100%	100%	100%		90%
Cumulative % of potholes filled within 20 days		100%	100%	Found 931	Fixed 931	
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Cumulative % of potholes filled within 20 days	96%	99%	99%	Found 13518	Fixed 13190	90%

Between April and June 2015/16, a total of 931 highway defects were identified by regular Highway Safety Inspections (HSI) or reported by the public in Rossendale. 931 (100%) of these defects were repaired within 20 working days between April to June.

East Lancashire Strategic Cycle Network

A programme of works to improve the access by bicycle between major residential areas and places of employment is currently underway. This includes the National Cycle Network Route 6 between the Irwell Valley and Accrington, and the completion of the Huncoat Greenway.

Rawtenstall Bus Station

This scheme is being revised following an objection by English Heritage relating to the planning application, and the demolition of the old town hall. A revised planning application is being prepared and is anticipated to be submitted in November 2015.