

AREA PANEL 1 6 September 2006

Report of Assistant Director Highways and Transport

Consultation on the 2007/08 programme for highways and transport schemes

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 1.1 At the June and July round of area panel meetings, an information bulletin was presented which provided an update on progress of 2006/07 highways and transport schemes. A list of these schemes is included for information in appendix 1. Cabinet approved this programme of work in February 2006. The schemes are largely funded from capital budgets allocated through the Local Transport Plan, LTP, process. Other funding comes from Council revenue monies and external contributions, such as Sustrans and developers.
- 1.2 To try and improve the way in which we develop the detailed highways and transport work programme for the 2007/08 financial year, we are seeking the views of area panels, as well as other groups and organisations across the city, on what issues need to be focused on and what transport schemes or initiatives we could implement to try and address them. A final programme will be presented to Cabinet for approval in February/March 2007.
- 1.3 In finalising the detailed 2007/08 highways and transport programme for Cabinet approval, officers will need to assess any proposals put forward by area panels for the degree to which they contribute to the objectives and the targets set out in the Derby Joint Local Transport Plan: 2006 2011, LTP2. The success that we have in meeting the targets in LTP2 is linked to the overall level of funds that the Council is allocated by central government. For the areas we are considering in this report the allocation in 2007/08 for the city is expected to be in the order of £3.5m.
- 1.4 Some schemes, relevant to this area panel, are already being investigated and developed for delivery in 2007/08, whilst others have been identified for possible investigation during 2007/08, and these are all listed in table 1.
- 1.5 LTP2, was published and submitted to government in March 2006. This is the policy and strategy document that sets out the context for how we want to improve our transport system. It also sets out a broad five year programme, based on the likely levels of highways and transport capital and revenue funding available.

There are ten overarching objectives that set the context for LTP2:

- to manage the transport network effectively to provide network efficiency, reduce unnecessary delays, and facilitate economic activity
- to maintain and improve the transport infrastructure

- to develop and maintain a combined land use and transport system that provides good access to key facilities and services for all residents and visitors to the LTP area, particularly those from disadvantaged communities
- to maintain and improve accessibility to facilities and services for pedestrians, cyclists and bus users, and particularly for disadvantaged people
- to reduce road accident casualties, particularly for vulnerable road users and disadvantaged communities
- to maintain and improve transport and community safety and security, including reducing perceived danger
- to promote and encourage healthier and more sustainable travel choices
- to enhance air quality in the LTP area, particularly within Air Quality Management Areas, AQMAs
- to contribute towards reducing the UK's transport impact on climate change
- to improve environmental conditions for communities in the LTP area by reducing the adverse effects of transport and enhancing the sense of place through greater social interaction and natural surveillance.
- 1.6 In order to work towards these objectives LTP2 sets out a long term transport strategy that comprises six main strategy areas:
 - land use policies
 - smarter choices
 - local safety and accessibility improvements
 - strategic public transport improvements
 - strategic traffic management and demand restraint
 - maintenance of transport infrastructure.
- 1.7 Four of the strategy areas cover the majority of the work programme. The majority of the funding is allocated against strategic transport schemes across the city, but within these there will be links to local issues. The area related to local safety and accessibility improvements covers many of the issues that are commonly raised as problems by area panels and we would expect to receive most suggestions for schemes falling into this strategy area. However we will consider all suggestions.
 - local safety and accessibility improvements primarily about enhancing
 access to local facilities and improving the local environment where people
 live. Schemes seek to help people access their local services by all modes of
 transport, and in particular seek to improve walking and cycling routes, as well
 as making access to bus services easier. The types of schemes that we
 typically deliver include:
 - new pedestrian crossings
 - cycle routes
 - dropped crossings
 - improvements to neighbourhood and district centres
 - better parking management where parking problems occur
 - o footway maintenance, approximately £500,000 of revenue funding.

Likely funding available for the city 2007/08 - £1,270,000

- strategic public transport improvements primarily related to enhancing the role of the bus in delivering viable options for more journeys, especially into the city centre. The types of schemes that we typically deliver include:
 - new bus priority measures, including traffic signal improvements and bus lanes
 - bus route infrastructure improvements, like new bus shelters and real time passenger information.

Likely funding available for the city 2007/08 - £490,000

- strategic traffic management and demand restraint making the best use of the existing network, including looking at ways to manage travel demand, especially by car. The types of schemes that we typically deliver include:
 - new or improved junctions to manage traffic flows more efficiently, giving priority to bus movements where possible
 - changes to road layouts, including parking restrictions, to ensure that traffic can flow more efficiently on key radial corridors into the city centre
 - intelligent transport systems, such as traffic signals which are linked together to improve traffic flows along a key corridor.

Likely funding available for the city 2007/08 - £400,000

- maintenance of transport infrastructure making the best use of, and looking after, transport assets. The types of schemes that we typically deliver include:
 - o carriageway maintenance on principal and non-principal roads
 - o bridge assessment and strengthening schemes

Likely funding available for the city 2007/08 - £1,400,000

1.8 By seeking the views of area panels and including them more explicitly in the process of developing the highways and transport programme development we hope to have a programme that is better understood by everyone. This does not mean that we will not investigate and deal with issues that may arise throughout the year, but hopefully people will understand the process that we need to follow to deliver some of the larger schemes that people would like to see in their areas.

PROPOSED ACTION

- 2.1 At this meeting area panels are asked to provide details of problems and/or schemes that they feel should be considered as part of the 2007/08 highways and transport programme. At the next meeting it is proposed that the area panel should consider the priority of the schemes.
- 2.2 Following consideration of this report people should send their suggestions to Michelle Spamer, the Highways and Transport Area Panel Coordinator; either by email to: michelle.spamer@derby.gov.uk or by letter to: Michelle Spamer, Area Coordination Officer, Derby City Council, Transportation and Public Transport Group, Roman House, Friar Gate, Derby, DE1 1XB. Responses should be received by 6 October 2006.

- 2.3 At the next area panel meeting on 1 November 2006, a further report will be presented that sets out the responses that have been received from the area panel, together with any other issues that have been put forward by officers or other consultation exercises. The area panel will be asked to prioritise up to five of the issues for each ward.
- 2.4 We will then assess proposals based on how well they contribute to delivering the objectives and targets set out in LTP2, taking account of the broad five year programme and the schemes' likely costs, affordability and deliverability. A programme will then be presented to Cabinet for approval in February/March 2007.

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Background papers: The Derby Joint Local Transport Plan 2006-2011, LTP2, available at

http://www.derby.gov.uk/TransportStreets/TransportPlanning/DerbyLJTP06

-11/DJLTP-06-11.htm

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Table 1

Current issues and schemes for possible inclusion in the 2007/08 programme.

Location	Scheme Description	Proposed Measures 2007/08
Joint-Ward		
Max Road/Hampshire Road	Study of road injury collisions and possible further	
Chaddesden/Derwent Wards	consultation on safety measures.	
Chaddesden Ward		
Sunny Grove junction with	Junction and pedestrian improvements.	
Nottingham Road		
Pullman Road/Wyvern Way and	Consideration of new crossing, linked to vehicle	
A52 slip road westbound	actuated signs on A52 slip road. Associated	
	measures and junction improvements in	
	surrounding area.	
Chaddesden Lane End	Carriageway maintenance	Drainage improvements from Nottingham Road to Maine
		Drive
Chaddesden Lane End	Principal/non principal road maintenance	Carriageway reconstruction/resurfacing from Maine Drive
		to Wood Road
Derwent Ward		
Stores Road/Mansfield Road	Principal/non principal road maintenance	Carriageway reconstruction/resurfacing
Derwent Community School	Safer routes to school	Infrastructure elements of school travel plans and
		improvements to the local environment
Liversage Trust Estate	Improved pedestrian links to the City Centre -	
	pedestrian refuges	
Spondon Ward		
West Park School	Safer routes to school	Infrastructure elements of school travel plans and
		improvements to the local environment

Appendix 1

Highways and transport schemes summary – 2006/07

Detailed below is a summary of the schemes which will be worked on during 2006/07 in Area Panel 1. The full detail was provided in an information bulletin at the last round of Area Panel meetings in June/July 2006. This bulletin is available on the Derby City Council website: www.derby.gov.uk, or from Michelle Spamer, Area Coordination Officer, Tel: 01332 715064

Location	Scheme detail
Chaddesden Ward	
Sunny Grove junction with Nottingham Road	Junction and pedestrian improvements
Chaddesden Lane End/ Nottingham Road	Study and subsequent installation of bus priority at traffic signals.
Pullman Road/Wyvern Way and A52 slip road westbound	New crossing, linked to vehicle actuated signs on A52 slip road. Associated measures and junction improvements in surrounding area.
Derwent Ward	
Safer routes to school	Breadsall Hilltop – infrastructure elements
	Beaufort – infrastructure elements
	Roe Farm – Infrastructure elements
Joint-Ward	
Max Road/Hampshire Road	Local safety scheme
Derwent/Chaddesden Wards	
Chaddesden/Oakwood/Spondon Wards	Additional real time information signs to improve the quality of public transport service
Carriageway reconstruction/resurfacing Chaddesden/Oakwood/Spondon/Derwent	Scarborough Rise (phase 3) from Coniston Crescent to Stratford Road
Wards	Brian Clough Way (A52) slip off loop from the end of new surfacing to Raynesway (A5111)
	Lime Lane/Mansfield Road junction from Lime Lane to Mansfield Road traffic counter
Chaddesden/Oakwood/Derwent Wards	Cycle links to schools at Chaddesden and Oakwood. Area wide cycling infrastructure facilities and signing. Completion of the Racecourse cycle route.

Footway reconstruction/resurfacing - footway preparation pool - 2006/07

The following footways have been identified from the 2006/07 Footway Major Maintenance Preparation Pool – for inclusion within the revenue funded 2006/07 Footway Reconstruction/Resurfacing Programme. However, it is possible that not all of these schemes will be delivered in 2006/07. Delivery is dependent on the level of funding available and co-ordination with the street lighting PFI contract. The Street Lighting PFI contractor has not yet fixed the programme of works. However, they have indicated that they will work in the Derwent area first. As we will need to coordinate footway work with the street lighting works, it is possible that some of the footways listed below will be postponed until street lighting works are completed.

Location: Derwent Ward	Footway scheme location detail
Scarborough Rise	From Coniston Crescent to St Andrews View
Chaddesden Park Road (phase 1)	From Nottingham Road to Mayfield Road
Chaddesden Park Road (phase 2)	From Mayfield Road to York Road
Location: Chaddesden Ward	Footway scheme location detail
Wood Road (phase 3)	From Max Road to Matlock Road
Max Road (phase 1)	From Wood Road to Buxton Road

Surface dressing programme 2006/07

The following carriageway locations are included on the surface dressing programme for 2006/07. However, the programme is subject to change and is dependent upon the level of funding available.

Location - Chaddesden Ward	Carriageway scheme location detail
Reginald Road North	From Reginald Road North to Wilsthorpe Road
Poyser Avenue	From Wood Road to end
Deborah Close	From Morley Road to cul-de-sac end
Church Lane	From Chaddesden Lane to end
Foyle Avenue	From Waterford Drive to end (school gates)
Chapel Lane	From Sancroft Road to Chapel Street
Moira Close	From Deborah Close to cul-de-sac end
Location - Derwent Ward	Carriageway scheme location detail
Beaufort Street	From Hampshire Road to Nottingham Road
Francis Street	From St Marks Road to Lindsey Close
Cornwall Road	From Cowsley Road to Nottingham Road
Location - Spondon Ward	Carriageway scheme location detail
Edmund Road	From Arnhem Terrace to Borrowfield Road
Dovedale Road	From Edmund Street to end
Lochinvar Close	From Sandringham Drive to end
Sandringham Drive	From Dale Road to Stoney Lane
Burnside Road	Francos distribute Distribute in Obsession
Durinside Road	From Sandringham Drive to Lochinvar Close
Birch Close	From Sandringnam Drive to Lochinvar Close From Hazel Drive to end
Birch Close	From Hazel Drive to end
Birch Close Hazel Drive	From Hazel Drive to end From Windsor Drive to end
Birch Close Hazel Drive Location - Oakwood Ward	From Hazel Drive to end From Windsor Drive to end Carriageway scheme location detail