ASHFORD JOINT TRANSPORTATION BOARD 15 JUNE 2010

Subject:	Highway Works Programme 2010/11	
Director/Head of Service	Director of Kent Highway Services	
Decision Issues:	These matters are within the authority of the Kent County Council	
Decision:	Non-key	
CCC Ward/KCC Division	: All	
Summary:	A summary of the identified schemes that have been programmed for construction by Kent Highway Services in 2010/11.	

Classification: THIS REPORT IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Introduction

 This report summarises the identified schemes that have been programmed for construction by Kent Highway Services in 2010/11. Each County Council Directorate is expected to ensure that the cash limits for next year are adhered to. Any within-year Directorate pressures must therefore be met from these cash limits and budgets/work programmes would have to be adjusted accordingly.

Highway Maintenance Budget 2010/11

2. The Highway Maintenance Budget for 2010/11 is detailed in Table 1 below.

Table 1 – Highway Maintenance Budgets for 2010/11

	(£00	00s)
	Revenue	Capital
Balance available for Highway Revenue Maintenance (excluding energy and overheads)	23,540	
Balance available for Highway Capital Maintenance (excluding overheads)		35,810

- 3. Due to efficiency savings and the spending £5m of capital from 2010/11 in 2009/10, there has been a decrease in the overall Highway maintenance budget for 2010/11. In addition £3.44m has been allocated for frost and weather damage repairs, made up of £2.44m government grant and £1m from the KCC economic downturn reserve.
- 4. The Highway Operations budget for Community Operations, Technical Services & Network Management is distributed between the work activities as shown in Table 2 below. Energy costs and overheads have been excluded for this analysis.

Table 2 – Highway Operations Budgets

		(£000s)	
	Revenue	Capital	Total
Major Patching		5,000	5,000
Jet-Patcher		1,100	1,100
Paco-Patch		400	400
Frost & Weather Damage	3,440	630	4,070
Drainage Repairs	330	2,500	2,830
Street Lighting	2,970	2,000	4,970
Lines & signs	800	900	1,700
Safety Fences	90	650	740
Structures	1,350	2,910	4,260
Traffic Signals	1,900	830	2,730
Member Grants		2,100	2,100
Road Surface Treatments (see table 3 below for breakdown)		13,790	13,790
Footway Surface Treatments		3,000	3,000
Routine Maintenance Units (NOMU) and minor patching	5,240		5,240
Gully Emptying	2,580		2,580
Soft Landscape & Trees	4,670		4,670
Winter Service	2,490		2,490
Emergency Response / Out of Hours	700		700
Community Ops Traffic Management (High Speed Roads)	420		420
Total	26,980	35,810	62,790

Road Surface Treatments

5. Table 3 below indicates the countywide budgets for surface treatments and refers to the relevant Appendix detailing schemes planned within the Ashford district.

Table 3 – Surface Treatments

Surfacing Type	Budget £000	Schemes in the Ashford district
Thin Surfacing	144,200	See Appendix A1
Total surface treatments	144,200	

Highway Maintenance Schemes

- 6. Road Surface Treatments - see Appendix A1 Carriageway Schemes - see Appendix B1 Footway Schemes - see Appendix B2 Street Lighting Schemes - see Appendix B3
- 7. Indicated below are those schemes originally identified for the Ashford district during 20010/11 funded through the Local Transport Plan

Local Transport Plan Funded Schemes - see Appendix C1 Public Rights of Way (LTP Funded) – see Appendix C2 Developer Funded Schemes (Delivered by KHS) - see Appendix C3

Other Works

8. Bridge Works - see Appendix D1 District Council Funded Schemes - see Appendix D2 County Members Highway Fund Works - see Appendix D3 Major Capital Projects - see Appendix D4

Conclusion

This report is for Members' information 9.

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Background documents: None

APPENDIX A – ROAD SURFACE TREATMENTS

APPENDIX A1 – THIN SURFACING: 15 – 24mm depth

Location	Parish	Budget	Status
Cripple Hill	High Halden	144,200	22-25/11/2010

APPENDIX B – HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE SCHEMES

APPENDIX B1 – CARRIAGEWAY SCHEMES

Location	Description	Parish	Budget	Status
None				

APPENDIX B2 – FOOTWAY SCHEMES

Location	Description	Parish	Budget	Status
A20 Hythe	Smeeth X Roads	Smeeth	£224,960	07/06 - 26/11/2010
Road	to Bob Fisher			
	Garage			
A20 Hythe	Bockham Lane to	Mersham	£72,000	11 – 30/03/2011
Road	Ridgeway			
Flood Street		Mersham	£24,000	03 – 28/01/2011
Church Street		Mersham	£9,000	31/01 – 11/02/2011
High Street	Maidstone Road	Charing	£25,077	Completed
	to School Lane,			
	both sides			
	Footway			
	Reconstruction			

APPENDIX B3 – STREET LIGHTING SCHEMES

There are no Street Lighting schemes planned for 2010/11.

APPENDIX C – TRANSPORTATION, PROW & SAFETY SCHEMES

APPENDIX C1 – LOCAL TRANSPORT PLAN FUNDED SCHEMES

Location	Description	Budget	Status
Henley Fields, Tenterden	Cycle track along the disused railway line	£80,000	Works in progress. (Note an additional £70K of funding is being provided by Sustrans)
Ashford District	Bus Stop Improvements	£100,000	£20K part contribution to Ashford to Folkestone route (works in progress) £80K around Ashford town programmed to start in October
Christchurch School to Park Farm	Completion of missing link of cycleway	£60,000	Works programmed to commence in September subject to completion of land acquisition.

APPENDIX C2 – PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY (LTP Funded)

Location	Description	Budget (£)	Status
AW51- Squids Gate, Charing TQ967 490 to 979 498	Surface improvements	80,000	In progress due to be completed in next two months.
AW55 School Road, to doctors surgery, Charing TQ952 494 to 951 493	Resurfacing	20,000	Proposed (to be completed 2010)
AW294 Kingsnorth Road to Ellingham Way, Ashford. TR002 402 to 003 402	Resurfacing	1,000	Proposed (to be completed 2010)
AW348 Charing Hill to Claremount Drive, Charing TQ954 498	Resurfacing	8,500	Proposed (to be completed 2010)
AU11 Faversham Road to recreation ground. TR018 450	Surface improvements	8,500	Proposed (to be completed 2010)

APPENDIX C3 – DEVELOPER FUNDED SCHEMES (Section 278 Works)

Location	Description	Status
Stanhope, Ashford	Regeneration scheme / New road layout	In progress
Trinity Road, Ashford	New road layout	In maintenance
A20 Roundabout	Toucan	In maintenance
Templar Way	New signalised access	Remedial work in progress
Latitude Walk, Ashford	Environmental improvements – East Street	Awaiting Planning Permission.
Park Farm/ Finn Farm Road	Signals/traffic calming	In maintenance
Cheeseman's Green Road	Carriageway realignment	Completed
Tesco site – Park Farm	New Puffin Crossing – cycle way	Construction completed – awaiting remedials
A2070 j/w The Boulevard	Left turn slip	In design stage

APPENDIX D – OTHER WORKS

APPENDIX D1 – BRIDGE WORKS

Location	Description	Status
Romden Road,	140 – Bridge reconstruction	November – March
Smarden		2010/11
A28 Canterbury Road,	285 Mill Pond – Culvert	Concept to be confirmed
Kennington	reconstruction	
A28 Canterbury Road,	33 Godmersham Bridge –	Concept to be confirmed
Godmersham	bridge widening	-

APPENDIX D2 – DISTRICT COUNCIL FUNDED SCHEMES

Location	Description	Status
Not known at moment		

APPENDIX D3 – COUNTY MEMBER HIGHWAY FUND WORKS

Member & Ward	Description	Budget	Status
Elizabeth Tweed – Ashford Central	Amendment of lining to create greater clearance in front of properties and installation of signs to warn there is no footway Chart Road, Ashford	£1003	To be completed by end of July

APPENDIX D4 – DRAINAGE

Gulley Cleansing and Route Optimisation in Kent

To cleanse the estimated 340,000 gullies in Kent, KCC have purchased a route optimisation software package to enable the most efficient way of visiting all these gullies. At the same time, we will be capturing details about these gullies – type, location, amount of silt, etc, to enable us to form a routine of visiting those gullies that become full quickly on a more frequent basis. Over time, this will allow us to build up a history of each gulley, and will direct us to those areas that need more attention.

Training in using the software is being undertaken at the moment, and will be in use before July. This, together with our vehicle tracking capability, will also enable us to redirect machines where reactive or emergency cleansing is required in the most costeffective way.

The system will be able to react dynamically on a daily basis to take into account reactive works, and as such routes may change every day. In the long term, it is hoped that the routes can be made available to members and parishes on a realtime basis through the portal, to enable them to check their own particular areas.

Location	Description	Budget	Status
	Victoria Way Phase 1 (link between Victoria Road and Leacon Road) To support the growth agenda for Ashford and in particular to support the southwards development and expansion of the town centre.	£16.5m	Community Infrastructure Fund (CIF) funding Agreement completed. Land acquisition completed. Procurement completed. Contract awarded to BAMNuttall on 5 May 2010. Objective is to complete construction within CIF funding deadline of 31 March 2011.
Southern Sector: Drovers roundabout to M20 Junction 9	Junction improvements and signalisation and pedestrian & cycle footbridge over the M20. to support the growth agenda and in particular to provide a comprehensive improvement of this key access route on the west side of the town.	£17.6m	Regional Infrastructure Fund (RIF) funding Agreement completed. Growth Area Funding (GAF) Agreement completed. M20 feature bridge received planning consent. Land acquisition and associated Agreements completed for road aspects completed. Land and associated Agreements for bridge being progressed. Procurement completed. Contract expected to be awarded to BAMNuttal on 11 May 2010. Objective is to secure land for bridge by end of May (so it can proceed) and complete whole scheme construction within RIF funding

		deadline of 31 March 2011.
Operation Stack Lorry Park	To avoid the disruption to the strategic network and wider impact on Kent business and residents when Operation Stack is invoked	Draft environmental impact assessment for the outline design of the lorry park and M20 junction being progressed. Funding and Government support remain the key issue. A summit meeting was held between KCC and Stack key operator in May