

## ASHFORD JOINT TRANSPORTATION BOARD 8 MARCH 2011

**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 Board**

**Decision:** Non-key

**Ward/Division:** **All**

**Summary:** *This report updates Members on the identified schemes approved for construction in 2010/11.*

**To Recommend:** **This report is for Members' information.**

**Classification:** THIS REPORT IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

### Introduction

This report is an update on that made to previous meetings of the Board and summarises the identified schemes that have been programmed for construction by Kent Highway Services in 2010/11.

### Road Surface Treatments

**Thin surfacing** - see Appendix A1  
**Microsurfacing** – see Appendix A2

### Highway Maintenance Schemes

**Carriageway Schemes** – see Appendix B1  
**Footway Schemes** - see Appendix B2  
**Street Lighting Schemes** - see Appendix B3  
**Weather Damage Repairs** – See Appendix B4

### Local Transport Plan Budget 2010/11

**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

**Bridge Works** - see Appendix D1  
**Borough Council Funded Schemes** - see Appendix D2  
**County Member Funded Works** - see Appendix D3  
**Drainage** – see Appendix D4  
**Major Capital Projects** - see Appendix D5

## **Conclusion**

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**Appendices A to D – Progress Reports**

## **APPENDIX A – ROAD SURFACE TREATMENTS**

### **APPENDIX A1 – THIN SURFACING: 15 – 24mm depth**

<b>Location</b>	<b>Parish</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Status</b>
Cripple Hill	High Halden	144,200	Completed November 2010

## **APPENDIX B – HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE SCHEMES**

### **APPENDIX B1 – CARRIAGEWAY SCHEMES**

<b>Location</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Parish</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Status</b>
None				

### **APPENDIX B2 – FOOTWAY SCHEMES**

<b>Location</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Parish</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Status</b>
A20 Hythe Road	Smeeth X Roads to Bob Fisher Garage	Smeeth	£224,960	Deferred
A20 Hythe Road	Bockham Lane to Ridgeway	Mersham	£72,000	On site
Flood Street		Mersham	£24,000	Deferred until new financial year
Church Street		Mersham	£9,000	Deferred until new financial year

### **APPENDIX B3 – STREET LIGHTING SCHEMES**

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

### **APPENDIX B4 – WEATHER DAMAGE REPAIRS**

Following on from last years programme of weather damaged repairs to potholes we had planned further action for this winter should it prove necessary.

Due to December's harsh weather we have instigated this plan by expanding further the number of KHS crews working on weather damage potholes whilst also using additional external contractors. This arrangement will help us improve our response and provide a continuity of resource.

Unlike last winter where all potholes in a road were repaired, our Engineers & Inspectors are identifying potholes that are safety critical. These will be marked up in white paint and numbered for ease of identification. These repairs will wherever possible be permanent, the external contractors plus KHS crews are being directed to carry out these necessary repairs.

The initial budget is £50,000 per district and the work commenced on 19 January. Tenders are in preparation to continue this work after April subject to budget approval being obtained.

## **APPENDIX C – TRANSPORTATION, PROW & SAFETY SCHEMES**

### **APPENDIX C1 – LOCAL TRANSPORT PLAN FUNDED SCHEMES**

<b>Location</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Status</b>
Henley Fields, Tenterden	Cycle track along the disused railway line	£80,000	Works halted when Great Crested Newts discovered on site. Now deferred
Ashford District	Bus Stop Improvements	£100,000	Scheme deferred
Christchurch School to Park Farm	Completion of missing link of cycleway	£60,000	Scheme deferred

### **APPENDIX C2 – PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY (LTP Funded)**

<b>Location</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Budget (£)</b>	<b>Status</b>
AU11 Faversham Road to recreation ground. TR018 450	Surface improvements	1,300	Complete

### **APPENDIX C3 – DEVELOPER FUNDED SCHEMES (Section 278 Works)**

<b>Location</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Status</b>
Stanhope, Ashford	Regeneration scheme / New road layout	Works continuing on new sites
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	In maintenance
Park Farm/ Finn Farm Road	Signals/traffic calming	In maintenance
Tesco site – Park Farm	New Puffin Crossing – cycle way	Puffin Crossing in Design Stage – Cycleway constructed
A2070 j/w The Boulevard	Left turn slip	In design stage – Works currently postponed by Developer until 2012

## **APPENDIX D – OTHER WORKS**

### **APPENDIX D1 – BRIDGE WORKS**

<b>Location</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Status</b>
Romden Road, Smarden	140 – Bridge reconstruction	15 November 2010 – 21 March 2011 – Road Closure
A28 Canterbury Road, Kennington	285 Mill Pond – Culvert reconstruction	Start Spring 2011 – tbc
A28 Canterbury Road, Godmersham	33 Godmersham Bridge – bridge strengthening	Start Spring 2011 - tbc

### **APPENDIX D2 – DISTRICT COUNCIL FUNDED SCHEMES**

<b>Location</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Status</b>
Not known at moment		

### **APPENDIX D3 – COUNTY MEMBER HIGHWAY FUND WORKS**

<b>Member &amp; Ward</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Status</b>
Mike Angell – Ashford Rural South	Installation of white timber post with speed terminal and village name signs and red surfacing to be laid on carriageway to create village gateway feature. Magpie Hall Road, Stubbs Cross	£9,350	Approval granted. Awaiting programming
Mike Angell – Ashford Rural South	Install 2 new bus shelters with associated line marking and appropriate hardstanding. Bluebell Road and Ashford Road, Kingsnorth	£16,500	Approval granted. Awaiting programming
Elizabeth Tweed – Ashford Central	Realign kerbline to leave 6.0m carriageway and provide additional advance SLOW markings and signage. Loudon Way, Ashford	£10,120	Work completed Dec. 2010
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	£1,003	Previously reported completed however, lining needs amending however, signing is in place
Jim Wedgbury – Ashford South	Realign kerbline to leave 6.0m carriageway	£10, 780	Approval granted. Programmed for

	and provide additional advance SLOW markings and signage. Tithe Barn Lane, Ashford		during Feb. half term holidays.
Richard King – Ashford Rural West	Introduce double yellow lines to replace single yellow lines and introduce zigzag markings outside the school. The Street, Smarden	£4290	Approval granted. Awaiting programming
George Koowaree – Ashford East	Installation of 16 dropped kerbs Orion Way, Ashford	£9768	Approval granted. Work on site.
George Koowaree – Ashford East	Construction of a 30m footway and installation of a pair of dropped kerbs Hampden Road, Ashford	£4614	Approval granted Work on site
George Koowaree – Ashford East	Installation of a pair of dropped kerbs Stirling Road, Ashford	£1441	Approval granted Work on site.
George Koowaree – Ashford East	Install Glasdon Stanford seat on a concrete slab in verge. Hythe Road, Ashford	£2145	Approval granted. Awaiting programming
Elizabeth Tweed – Ashford Central	To provide 3 salt bins each with 3 refills Hazel Heights, Heathfield Drive and Lower Queens Road, Ashford.	£1786.59	Work completed.
George Koowaree – Ashford East	To provide a replacement bus shelter Hunter Road, Ashford	£7255	Approval granted. Awaiting programming
Michael Hill – Tenterden	To implement zig zag line markings outside the primary school. Hastings Road, Rolvenden	£2349	Approval granted. TRO required before programming.

## 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 has now been completed and initial routes are being generated. This, together with our vehicle tracking capability, will also enable us to re-direct machines where reactive or emergency cleansing is required in the most cost-effective 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.

At present, we are updating the scheduled gulley cleansing spreadsheet to include for recent flooding hotspots and CSM reports, to enable a more targeted service. Once this has been updated, it will be issued to all members and JTB's. We are also looking into having this information available on the Kent Highways website pictorially – this is planned to be developed in April.

#### APPENDIX D5 – MAJOR CAPITAL PROJECTS

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	Funded by Community Infrastructure Fund (CIF) provided by Homes & Community Agency (HCA). Contract awarded to Volker Fitzpatrick and construction started June 2010. Difficulties with utilities largely resolved and good progress now being made. Core roadworks planned to be completed in April with John Wallis Square public realm and residual side road works planned completion in June. Utilities and winter weather are primary causes of delay although contract programme with late start was always tight. HCA has agreed to restructure funding to cover expenditure



			beyond 31 March.
Drovers roundabout to M20 Junction 9 Improvements	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	<p>Drovers Roundabout and M20J9 are formally two separate projects. Funded by Regional Infrastructure Fund (RIF) funding provided by DfT and managed by SEEDA with Growth Area Funding (GAF) to cover extra-over costs of M20 feature bridge. Contract awarded to BAMNuttal and construction started in June 2010. Roadworks will be substantially completed in April. Bridge erection planned for early May with full scheme completion in June. Winter weather, complex bridge design and inability to close M20 during April are primary causes of delay although contract programme with late start was always tight. DfT has agreed to restructure funding between Rovers Roundabout and M20J9 to reflect actual costs and cover for RIF expenditure beyond 31 March 2011.</p>