



Joint Transportation Board

Notice of a Meeting, to be held in the Council Chamber- Ashford Borough Council on
Tuesday 10 September 2019 at 7.00 pm

The Members of this Board are:-

Cllr Heyes (Chairman)
Mr P W Bartlett (Vice-Chairman)
Cllrs Burgess, Forest, Mrs Heyes, Krause, Michael, Ward
Mr M J Angell, Mrs C L Bell, Mr D Farrell, Mr P M Hill, Mr S J G Koowaree, Mr C Simkins
Mr K Ashby – KALC Ashford Area Committee

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Declarations of Interest (see also “Advice to Members” below)

- (a) **Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI)** under the Localism Act 2011, relating to items on this agenda. The nature as well as the existence of any such interest must be declared, and the agenda item(s) to which it relates must be stated.

A Member who declares a DPI in relation to any item will need to leave the meeting for that item (unless a relevant Dispensation has been granted).

- (b) **Other Significant Interests (OSI)** under the Kent Code of Conduct relating to items on this agenda. The nature as well as the existence of any such interest must be declared, and the agenda item(s) to which it relates must be stated.

A Member who declares an OSI in relation to any item will need to leave the meeting before the debate and vote on that item (unless a relevant Dispensation has been granted).

However, prior to leaving, the Member may address the Committee in the same way that a member of the public may do so.

- (c) **Voluntary Announcements of Other Interests** not required to be disclosed under (a) and (b), i.e. announcements made for transparency alone, such as:

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- Where a Member knows a person involved, but does not have a close association with that person, or
- Where an item would affect the well-being of a Member, relative, close associate, employer, etc. but not his/her financial position.

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Advice to Members on Declarations of Interest:

- (a) Government Guidance on DPI is available in DCLG's Guide for Councillors, at https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/5962/2193362.pdf
- (b) The Kent Code of Conduct was adopted by the Full Council on 19 July 2012, and a copy can be found in the Constitution alongside the Council's Good Practice Protocol for Councillors dealing with Planning Matters. See <https://www.ashford.gov.uk/media/2098/z-word5-democratic-services-constitution-2019-constitution-of-abc-may-2019-part-5.pdf>
- (c) Where a Member declares a committee position or office within, or membership of, an outside body that has expressed views or made representations, this will be taken as a statement that the Member was not involved in compiling or making them and has retained an open mind on the item(s) in question. If this is not the case, the situation must be explained.

If any Member has any doubt about any interest which he/she may have in any item on this agenda, he/she should seek advice from the Director of Law and Governance and Monitoring Officer, or from other Solicitors in Legal and Democracy as early as possible, and in advance of the Meeting.

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Joint Transportation Board

Minutes of a Meeting of the Joint Transportation Board held in the Council Chamber, Civic Centre, Tannery Lane, Ashford on the **11th June 2019**.

Present:

Cllr. Heyes (Chairman);
Mr P W Bartlett (Vice-Chairman);

Cllrs. Burgess, Forest, Mrs Heyes, Krause, Smith, Ward
Mr M J Angell, Mrs C L Bell, Mr S J G Koowaree

Mr. K Ashby – KALC Representative.

In accordance with Procedure Rule 1.2 (c) Councillor Smith attended as a Substitute Member for Councillor Michael

Apologies:

Cllr. Michael, Mr D Farrell, Mr P M Hill, Mr C Simkins.

Also Present:

Cllrs. Campkin, Gideon, Iliffe, Wright.

Project Manager – J10A (Highways England), Stakeholder Liaison – J10A (Vinci Construction UK), Senior Highway Manager – (KCC) , Parking Enforcement Manager – (KCC) , Ashford District Manager – (KCC), Schemes Project Engineer – (KCC), Technical Support Officer – (KCC), Head of Community Safety and Wellbeing- (ABC), Deputy Head of Community Safety and Wellbeing - (ABC), Community Safety and Wellbeing Manager – (ABC) Parking, Highways and Transportation Technical Officer - (ABC), Civil Enforcement Officer Team Leader - (ABC), Economic Development Manager - (ABC), Member Services Liaison Manager – (ABC).

22 Declarations of Interest

Councillor	Interest	Minute No.
Mr Bartlett	Made a 'Voluntary Announcement' as he lived close to Junction 10 of the M20	27

23 Minutes

Resolved:

That the Minutes of the Meeting of this Board held on the 12th March 2019 be approved and confirmed as a correct record.

24 Parking and Waiting Restrictions – Update Summary

The report provided an update and summarised parking and waiting restriction schemes that had been through the Joint Transportation Board. The Deputy Head of Community Safety and Wellbeing advised that one objection had been received in respect of the Amendment 7 Order in relation to proposals at Ashford Road Tenterden, which Officers had been able to accommodate.

Resolved:

That the update on schemes be noted.

25 Proposed Waiting Restrictions – Imperial Way, Ashford

The report gave details of the proposed No Waiting at Any Time restriction to be implemented on Imperial Way in Ashford.

The Schemes Project Engineer (KCC) explained that the proposal stemmed from concerns expressed by residents and the County Member about public service vehicles regularly having to mount the footway to negotiate parked vehicles on a short section of Imperial Way. There had been 9 letters of support and 8 letters of objection to the proposal. The Schemes Project Engineer (KCC) further explained that the proposal would only result in the loss of one parking space.

Resolved:

That the implementation of the proposed waiting restrictions on Imperial Way, Ashford be approved.

26 Proposed Permanent Traffic Regulation Order – Ashford HGV Overnight Parking Enforcement

The report gave details of the proposed permanent Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) to manage the overnight parking of HGV's on the A20 Ashford between Charing and Ashford and four Industrial Estates in the Borough. The advert for the TRO had been published on 19 April 2019, with a closing date for comments on 13 May 2019. A total of 17 responses in support had been received from local residents and one objection had been received from the Road Haulage Association (RHA).

In accordance with Procedure Rule 9.3, Mr Tom Cotton, Head of Licensing and Infrastructure Policy for the Road Haulage Association Ltd spoke and advised that

the RHA represented 7,200 members with over 76,000 operating licences and more than half of the UK HGV fleet.

He explained that lay-by's were an essential part of the road infrastructure and that roads were the workplace of the Haulage Industry. Lay-by's were road safety features which enabled all drivers to take a break, which was a mandatory requirement. If they were not taken there were serious consequences for example loss of vocational license and jobs for those who failed to comply.

Mr Cotton further explained that all food, medicine, and other essential products were delivered by road freight and many products had a short shelf life and could not be transported by any other means. He understood that KCC had identified a current shortfall of 1000 lorry parking spaces each night which meant that there was nowhere for drivers to stop. This was an historical problem and not a new one and KCC had failed to respond, or properly plan despite the warning signs and RHA stating this problem for many years. He believed that this problem had been created by KCC through their inactivity and forward planning. Mr Cotton said that even with the increase at Ashford Truckstop there was a net loss, because of losses at Folkestone Harbour and Airport Café.

Mr Cotton then referred to the DfT – National Survey of Lorry Parking published in 2018 which described the East of England as Critical and the South East as Serious, but 1% away from Critical. He said that this year Kent would reach critical and KCC and Local Authorities had not done enough to provide parking for road freight which was national critical infrastructure. Trucks were the “invisible supply line” and no delivery was free, despite many retailers offering free delivery.

In terms of the consultation exercise, he said that 16 responses supporting the making of this order permanent had been received along a five mile section of road with thousands of residents living adjacent to it and a Borough population of over 270,000 people. Mr Cotton considered that the needs of the Borough, Kent and the entire UK economy needed to come above the 16 opponents. The 16 opposition responses were from from hundreds, if not 1000's of addresses covering a 5 mile section of road and 4 industrial estates demonstrated to him that if there was a problem with lorry parking the response would have been much greater.

Mr Cotton further explained that if Kent and other local authorities had the correct lorry parking provision in place this would not be needed and said that the zonal approach was designed for urban and not rural areas. Kent County Council had permitted a 45 minute break, but had kept this secret, as it was not shown on the signage. He said that the Freight Transport Association (FTA) would have responded in similar terms to the RHA, but the short consultation period over Easter had prevented this.

In an interim report into the Future of Freight, published last December reference had been made to Freight Blindness and this report demonstrated that both government and Local Authorities often had little understanding of why and how it planned for freight, which left the needs of the freight system far down the priority list. This had resulted in policy makers or planners being unable to take account of, or plan effectively for, the needs of freight. Mr Cotton said that the Government's

current approaches to policy making for freight were piecemeal and fragmented into individual modes that had struggled to proactively confront future challenges.

In conclusion, Mr Cotton said that on the basis of the 16 responses from a population of more than 270,000 it was the contention of the RHA that this was not needed but if the Board decided there was a need, then proper infrastructure needed to be put in place, before restrictions were created. If appropriate overnight parking existed, Mr Cotton said that the RHA would not oppose restrictions. **Post Meeting Note: The 2011 Census figure shows the Borough population as 118,000.**

In accordance with Procedural Rule 9.3, Mrs Christine Drury, Chairman of Westwell Parish Council and speaking on behalf of Hothfield Parish Council wished to give thanks to the Traffic Regulation Order team at KCC and others in Ashford Borough Council and Kent County Council for their work including discussions with the Department for Transport.

Mrs Drury said that residents were aware that this proposal for a permanent TRO was a follow on from the 18 month trial, and what was being proposed today was just the TRO, not the enforcement arrangements which were not yet ready to be discussed.

Residents also appreciated that the TRO being discussed had been informed by the trial and by discussions with the Road Haulage Association and others, as well as with communities and residents.

Mrs Drury said that Ashford fully recognised its location and the need to provide truck parking, and had set about doing it properly and fairly. This was why 200 additional spaces had been provided in the Borough. It was also why the operation of the 18 month trial had been a success, because it had been well operated. Residents did note that changed behaviours and the provision of truck parking with facilities may still depend on enforcement so the enforcement arrangements would be important. Meanwhile making the TRO permanent was simply the next stage in a process of continuous improvement of how HGV parking need was well managed in the Borough.

Mrs Drury explained that the waiting restrictions proposed in this TRO would discourage drivers and their operators from parking overnight and at weekends in places that were inappropriate for road safety or residential impact reasons. The restrictions would also encourage drivers to use high quality facilities available in the Borough, which allowed them to comply with the legal requirement for 45hr rest periods to be away from their vehicles. The flexibility needed in case of getting caught short on drivers hours was included in the exemptions built into the TRO. Mrs Drury said that as parishes they were well aware of how certain Eastern European HGV operators worked and if the exemptions were being abused there might be a need to ask the JTB to address the situation.

In conclusion, Mrs Drury said that overall this TRO was a small but important step forward in achieving better working conditions for drivers and transforming the road safety and environmental conditions for local residents and businesses just in the

TRO area in the Borough. It had the support of Westwell and Hothfield Parish Council's, and she said that they would like to see it approved today.

The Deputy Head of Community Safety and Wellbeing explained that ABC and the KCC had worked with the lorry park operators with a view to identifying any opportunity to enhance facilities and she accepted that throughout the County, Kent had a long way to go. She considered that the five mile stretch of the A20 was unique in terms of the location backing on to residential properties. Officers had met with the RHA the previous week and would continue to work with them over this issue. In terms of the comment about signage, the Deputy Head of Community Safety and Wellbeing said that it was not possible to incorporate information about exemptions and explained that this issue had been upheld at a Tribunal. The TRO was the first step in formalising the process and Officers would be meeting with the DfT shortly to discuss changes in legislation to enable offenders to be fined on the first offence and to increase the wheel clamp release fee.

The Vice-Chairman said that he wished to remind the Board that this issue had started over seven years ago when severe problems were starting to be experienced with lorries parking in industrial estates. Now that Waterbrook had increased its capacity by 200 spaces, he said that there was sufficient overnight lorry parking available in Ashford.

Resolved:

That the implementation of the proposed time limited overnight waiting restrictions on the A20 between Charing and Ashford and four Industrial Estates in the Borough be approved.

27 M20 J10A Construction Programme Update

The report advised on progress on the above scheme since the last meeting in March 2019.

The Project Manager outlined the work which included: the installation of the bridge deck of the Church Road footbridge; construction commencing on the eastbound off slip; soil nailing completed to embankment of Junction 10a London bound exit slip road; on the new slip roads, abutments on the North East, South East and South West had been poured; on the East and West interchange bridge the final deck pours had been completed; work was now starting on the construction of the load bearing supporting walls; and the reinforced Earth Wall at Kingsford Street was now complete. Various utility diversion works were also being accommodated.

The Project Manager also explained that a trial was underway to increase the coast bound speed limit on the M20 to 60mph, which if successful, could be applied to the section of the London bound carriageway through the road works. In conclusion he advised that the works to install traffic lights for the Barrey Road junction with the A2070 would be undertaken in September 2019.

The Chairman explained that the Ward Member had informed him that certain properties in Kingfisher Close were experiencing flooding and light pollution issues. The Stakeholder Liaison (Vinci Construction) said that he was aware of this but explained that the profile of the land had not changed significantly in the vicinity of Kingfisher Close but he would continue to monitor the situation. In terms of light pollution, the levels at the new roundabout were higher, but properties should become protected when the vegetation and planting grew. Contractors did not generally work at night, but if evening work was planned residents were informed. In response to a further question, the Project Manager said that he did not think that a temporary bund was feasible but undertook to contact the Ward Member direct to discuss the matter. The Stakeholder Liaison also referred to excellent artwork produced by students from the Norton Knatchbull school which had been applied to hoardings near the playground and encouraged Members to see it before it was removed.

A Member referred to the current closure of Newtown Road and asked whether it was possible to open two lanes from the Orbital Roundabout to Junction 10 to ease traffic congestion during this period. The Project Manager said that he would be happy to take this request away for consideration but doubted whether this could be done as it might be a financial burden on the project.

Resolved:

That the report be received and noted.

28 Ashford International Station and Eurostar Update

The report updated Members on the project to enable new Eurostar trains to access Ashford International Station. The Economic Development Manager advised that Atkins had completed a feasibility report in March 2019 and detailed design work was being undertaken. Delivery of the solution was due to take place at the end of the year, with the commissioning of the works by the end of December 2019. The new KBV signalling had operated without fault since it had been commissioned.

A further report would be submitted to the next meeting in September 2019 at which stage a detailed programme for the implementation would be available. In response to a question, the Economic Development Manager explained that it was hoped that a new Eurostar timetable would commence from January 2020.

Resolved:

That the report be received and noted.

29 Highway Forward Works Programme 2019/20 onwards

The report updated Members on the identified schemes approved for construction in 2019/20.

The Ashford District Manager explained that KCC had increased its budget for Highways and therefore subsequent reports might incorporate new schemes not currently shown in the report.

In response to a question about the works planned at Evergreen Way, the Ashford District Manager undertook to let the Chairman know the diversion route for the G line bus. She also undertook to keep the County Member informed of progress in terms of the drainage works at The Street, Warehorne Road, Ruckinge Road and Ashford Road, Hamstreet.

Mr Ashby referred to the different terms used for the various types of road surface works and suggested that definitions be included in subsequent reports. The Ashford District Manager agreed that this could be done and she also undertook to check the position in terms the works at Appledore Road/Warehorne Road.

The Ashford District Manager also agreed to let the County Member have details about the works planned at the Hythe Road/Church Road junction, and for the Vice Chairman, information about the A2070/Finberry junction improvement works.

Resolved:

That the report be received and noted.

30 Operation Brock – M20

The report of the Vice Chairman referred to the issue of the continued use of the barriers on the M20 to restrict London bound traffic to two lanes which he had raised with Highways England. The report included the text of the response from Highways England which advised that the restriction to two lanes on the London bound carriageway was essential to enable Brock to be implemented within a short timeframe if necessary.

The Senior Highway Manager said that KCC supported the view being taken by the Borough Council and advised that they were pressing the case with Highways England. He said that he understood that the principal problem was the uncertainty over when Brexit would happen. He also said Highways England may have to undertake survey work on the hard shoulder as the current design had not envisaged the level of use it was currently experiencing. In terms of the carriageways between Junction 9 and Junction 13 it was likely that Highways England would be carrying out resurfacing work and Officers would be closely monitoring this via the Kent Corridor Coordination Group (KCCG) to ensure that they were coordinated.

The Vice Chairman considered that the repositioning of the steel barrier just at either end of Brock was a small piece of work and in his view would take just 48 hours to implement. He said that it was unacceptable for Ashford and Folkestone residents to suffer for 6 months to save Highways England 48 hours work.

The Board discussed whether it would be appropriate to request that the temporary speed limit be increased from 50mph to 60mph, but on safety grounds were not minded to support such an increase.

Resolved:

That the Chairman of the Board write a letter to the Secretary of State requesting that the London bound section of the M20 between Junction 9 and 8 be returned to 3 carriageways.

31 – Deputy Head of Community Safety and Wellbeing

The Deputy Head of Community Safety and Wellbeing explained that this was the last JTB she would be attending as she was moving to another post within Ashford Borough Council. She said that she had enjoyed the challenging work and said that her role would be taken over by the Community Safety and Wellbeing Manager.

The Chairman, on behalf of all Members of the JTB, thanked the Deputy Head of Community Safety and Wellbeing for all of her work for the Board and wished her well in her new role.

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Parking and Waiting Restrictions- update summary

To: Ashford Joint Transportation Board – 10th September 2019
By: Parking, Highways and Transportation Technical Officer
Classification: For information
Ward: Across the district – Various (see items for more detail)

Summary

This Report:

- (i) Provides an update and summarises schemes that have been or are to be brought through the Joint Transportation Board.
- (ii) Report on any consultations made in relation to amendments to the Traffic Regulation Order and Parking Places Order

Introduction and Background

1. This report provides an update and summarises parking and waiting restrictions and any schemes that have been through the Joint Transportation Board.
2. Updates and forthcoming proposals are listed in **Appendix 1**
3. The most recent Quarterly Liaison Meeting between Kent County Council and Ashford Borough Council took place on Wednesday 23rd July 2019. Details of those locations prioritised for proposals relating to permanent enforceable restrictions and amendment of the Traffic Regulation Order are listed in **Appendix 1**.

UPDATE ON ITEMS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED TO JTB

ON-STREET ORDERS (Amendments to 2018 Consolidated Order)

4. Amendment 6 (Imperial Way, Ashford)

WARDS AFFECTED

Singleton West		
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4.1 Kent County Council proposed this amendment directly, as the highway authority. The amendment received recommendation at the June 2019 JTB.

4.2 The Amendment Order was made on 8th July 2019 and is now in force.

5. Amendment 7 (Ashford, various)

WARDS AFFECTED

Norman	Victoria	Weald South
Furley	Aylesford & East Stour	Tenterden North

5.1 The Consultation period for this amendment ended on 18th April 2019 and formed part of the report to the June 2019 JTB.

5.2 Due to the limited number of objections the amendment was proposed with only one minor alteration. This was shared with the JTB Chair, vice-chair and relevant ward members. No further objections or comments were received.

5.3 The Amendment Order was made on 24th July 2019 and is now in force. All lining has been undertaken and signage is due to have been replaced by the time of the September 2019 JTB.

UPDATE ON ITEMS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED TO JTB

6. Amendment 8 (Repton Avenue, Ashford)

WARDS AFFECTED

Repton		
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6.1 The purpose of this Order is-

- (i)** To Formalise existing advisory school entrance markings outside Repton Manor Primary School in the area for which civil enforcement is now permitted, to help prevent obstructive parking
- (ii)** Formalise additional double yellow lines on Repton Avenue installed by the developer, relating to the area for which the highway authority has granted permission to help prevent obstructive parking.
Introduction of double yellow lines in large part to sit alongside existing advisory school entrance markings in an area for which civil enforcement is now permitted.
- (iii)** This will help to prevent obstructive parking and allow for enforcement against parking on the footway adjacent to the school entrance markings as well as on the carriageway.

6.2 In large part, to insert the existing restrictions marked on un-adopted highway into the Traffic Regulation Order, with the permission of the highway authority. Slight additions to existing markings where necessary to bring about meaningful enforcement outside the primary school to prevent waiting on the highway here, which includes the footway.

6.3 The consultation period ended on 4th July 2019. No objections were received. Consequently, the proposal was shared, unchanged, with the JTB Chair, vice-chair and relevant ward members. No further objections or comments were received.

6.4 The Amendment Order was made on 21st August 2019 and is now in force. Any additional lining work has been requested and should be in place by the time of the September 2019 JTB.

UPDATE ON ITEMS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED TO JTB

OFF-STREET ORDERS (CAR PARKS) (Amendment Parking Places Order 2007)

7 Consolidation of the Parking Places Order 2007

WARDS AFFECTED

Borough-wide		
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7.1 The purpose of this Order is-

- (i) To revoke the original the **ASHFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL (OFF-STREET PARKING PLACES) ORDER 2007** and all subsequent amendment orders and notices of variation, to be replaced with a single consolidated order.
- (ii) Consolidation re-enacts the provisions of revoked orders without any change of substance and does not require a consultation period.
- (ii) The following amendments were revoked as part of the consolidation process-
 - Ashford Borough Council (Off-Street Parking Places) Order 2007
 - The Ashford Borough (Off-Street Parking Places) 2007 (Am. No.1)
 - The Ashford Borough (Off-Street Parking Places) 2007 (Variation) Order Nos. 2 & 3
 - The Ashford Borough (Off-Street Parking Places) 2007 (Am. No.4)
 - The Ashford Borough (Off-Street Parking Places) 2007 (Am. No.5)
 - The Ashford Borough (Off-Street Parking Places) 2007 (Am. No.6)
 - The Ashford Borough (Off-Street Parking Places) 2007 (Am. No.7)
 - The Ashford Borough (Off-Street Parking Places) (Am. No.8)
(Victoria Road Car Park) Order 2007

7.2 The Consolidation Order was made on 29th August 2019 and is now in force. No additional lining work or signage is necessary.

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Appendix List	
Appendix 1	List of current consultations & forthcoming consultations

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Appendix 1- JTB September 2019

1.1 MADE ORDERS

AMENDMENT 6 (Singleton West)			
Location	Description of scheme	Date at JTB	Current Status
Ashford (Imperial Way) Amendment 6 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Imperial Way 	Single section of double yellow lines on one section of Imperial Way (bus route)	Mar 2019	Order made 8 th July 2019

AMENDMENT 7 (Ashford, various)			
Location	Description of scheme	Date at JTB	Current Status
Ashford Amendment 7 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Providence Street • Lower Denmark Road • Upper Denmark Road • Whitfeld Road • Bond Road • Ashford Road, St Michaels • Ashford Road, Ham Street 	For streets in Ashford Reduction of existing restrictions in certain places to allow for increased parking amenity. Approved in principle by KCC in liaison with ABC. For Ashford Road, St Michaels & Ashford Road, Ham Street Introduce enforceable school entrance markings at a number of schools in the borough where currently only advisory markings are in place.	Jun 2019	Order made 24 th July 2019

Appendix 1- JTB September 2019

AMENDMENT 8 Repton Avenue (Repton)			
Location	Description of scheme	Date at JTB	Current Status
Ashford (Repton Ave.) Amendment 8 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Repton Avenue 	Developer request- enforce area outside school. Relates to section of un-adopted highway that Kent County Council has agreed to permit civil enforcement. All other un-adopted streets not yet granted this status remain the responsibility of the developer.	Sep 2019	Order made 21st August 2019

OFF-STREET CONSOLIDATION ORDER 2019			
Location	Description of scheme	Date at JTB	Current Status
Consolidation Order (Parking Places Order) 2019 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Borough-wide 	Off-street Order (ABC car parks) Consolidate Original 2007 Parking Places Order and subsequent amendments into one document	Sept 2019	Order made 29th August 2019

Appendix 1- JTB September 2019

1.2 POST-CONSULTATION

1.2.1 There are no amendments in this status.

1.3 FORTHCOMING AMENDMENTS

1.3.1

Location	Description of scheme	Date at JTB	Current Status
The Kent County Council (Various Roads, Borough of Ashford) (Waiting Restrictions & Street Parking Places) Consolidation Order 2019	On-street Order Consolidate all amendments made subsequent to 2018 Consolidated Order	Dec 2019	In process. Amendments listed below will follow after the consolidation has been completed.

1.3.2

Location	Description of scheme	Date at JTB	Current Status
Ashford (various) Amendment 1		Dec 2019	To follow on from consolidation of the On-Street Order (see item 1.3.1)
1. Hall Avenue (Orbital Park)	Following discussion at the most recent Quarterly Liaison Meeting between Kent County Council and Ashford Borough Council it was agreed that the parking issues in the area could be improved through amendment of the existing parking restrictions.		

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<p>South Willesborough & Newtown ward</p>	<p>Proposal: Remove 'no waiting at any time' restrictions from a section on the northern spur where parking can be sustained. All other restrictions to remain unchanged.</p> <p>The proposal will-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase the availability of parking amenity in the area
<p>2. Cycle lanes, Ashford</p> <p>Bybrook ward</p>	<p>Proposal: Cycle lanes to be added and defined within the Order to allow for civil enforcement for parking contraventions.</p> <p>This does not relate to moving traffic offences.</p> <p>There will be no change to restrictions as they are already shown on the ground.</p> <p>This proposal will-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve the amenity for cyclists in the area through which the road runs.
<p>3. Disabled Persons Parking Bays (various, Ashford)</p> <p>Various wards</p>	<p>Proposal: Removal of known redundant disable persons parking bays and addition of current advisory bays to the order across the borough.</p> <p>This proposal will-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve the availability of parking in the area and the amenity for disabled persons in those areas where bays are to be installed.
<p>4. Cornes Close</p> <p>Willesborough ward</p>	<p>Following discussion at the most recent Quarterly Liaison Meeting between Kent County Council and Ashford Borough Council it was agreed that the parking issues in the area could be improved through additional parking restrictions</p>

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	<p>Proposal: No waiting at any time restrictions (double yellow lines) on the bend where parking would not be advised in the Highway Code.</p> <p>This proposal will-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Help to avoid danger to persons or other traffic using these roads and for preventing the likelihood of such danger arising. • Facilitate the passage of large vehicles, such as refuse collection vehicles and emergency vehicles, on these roads.
<p>5 Millbank Road, Ashford Roman & Stanhope wards</p>	<p>Following discussion at the most recent Quarterly Liaison Meeting between Kent County Council and Ashford Borough Council it was agreed that the parking issues in the area could be improved through additional parking restrictions.</p> <p>Proposal: Render existing sets of advisory school entrance markings enforceable. These are located outside the entrance to John Wallis Academy</p> <p>No change to road markings as they are currently set out</p> <p>This proposal will-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Help to avoid danger to persons or other traffic using these roads and for preventing the likelihood of such danger arising.
<p>6. Eastmead Avenue, Ashford Victoria ward</p>	<p>Following discussion at the most recent Quarterly Liaison Meeting between Kent County Council and Ashford Borough Council it was agreed that the parking issues in the area could be improved through additional parking restrictions.</p>

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	Proposal: Installation of 'no waiting' restrictions (single yellow line, Monday-Saturday 8am-6pm) on the bend where parking would not be advised in the Highway Code, using a restriction that matches existing parking restrictions in the immediate area.
7. Oak Tree Road, Ashford Beaver ward	<p>Following discussion at the most recent Quarterly Liaison Meeting between Kent County Council and Ashford Borough Council it was agreed that the parking issues in the area could be improved through additional parking restrictions.</p> <p>Render existing sets of advisory school entrance markings enforceable. These are located outside Ashford Oaks Primary School.</p> <p>No change to enforceable road markings as they are currently set out</p>
8. Dover Place, Ashford Victoria ward	<p>Proposal: Amend written order to reflect changes to highway layout.</p> <p>No change to enforceable road markings as they are currently set out</p>
9. Danemore, Tenterden Tenterden North ward	<p>Proposal: Amend written order to reflect changes to highway layout.</p> <p>No change to enforceable road markings as they are currently set out</p>

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AMENDMENT TBC (CRESCENT WEST)			
Location	Description of scheme	Date at JTB	Current Status
<p>Crescent West, Ashford</p> <p>Croudace Development (behind Godinton Road)</p> <p>Scheduled Amendment TBC</p>	<p>Investigations into parking controls for adoptable highway in line with the expectations set out in the Section 106 agreement for the planning application (14/01305/AS)</p>	<p>TBC</p>	<p>Proposed alternative permit parking area variant described JTB March 2019.</p> <p>This is still awaiting approval by Department for Transport.</p>

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	<p>Kent Highways can only make an order to allow civil enforcement undertake civil enforcement following the adoption of the road.</p>		<p>Note:</p> <p>Further to earlier reports, DfT have requested re-submission of the original application, along with additional plans.</p> <p>ABC Project Office have produced new plans and we have re-submitted the application as requested in August 2019. We await authorisation.</p> <p>Following approval, we anticipate undertaking an informal consultation, to include this permitted variant as one option for parking controls, to operate after the roads have been adopted by the highway authority.</p>
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AMENDMENT TBC (GEORGE STREET, ASHFORD)			
Location	Description of scheme	Date at JTB	Current Status
<p>George Street, Ashford</p> <p>Scheduled Amendment TBC</p>	<p>Investigation to accommodate the changes to the road layout brought about through the Section 278 agreement related to planning application (16/01157/AS)</p>	<p>TBC</p>	<p>Developer constructing parking space on the eastern side of George Street, as part of the S278 works agreed with KCC.</p> <p>ABC is liaising with KCC and the developer to amend the TRO in light of these changes. The proposed works are within an existing controlled parking zone (Zone G)</p> <p>Note:</p> <p>We anticipate applying the existing parking rules within the zone, leading to a net increase of available bays.</p>

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AMENDMENT TBC (HALSTOW WAY, ASHFORD)			
Location	Description of scheme	Date at JTB	Current Status
Halstow Way, Ashford Scheduled Amendment TBC	Extension of no waiting at any time restrictions (double yellow lines) to allow for the development covered by planning application (18/01508/AS)	TBC	ABC proposal for nearby development has led Kent Highways to require an extension to the existing parking restrictions in the area, due to the increased traffic flow. Note: This amendment relies on planning permission being granted

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AMENDMENT TBC (JEMMETT ROAD, ASHFORD)			
Location	Description of scheme	Date at JTB	Current Status
<p>Jemmett Road, Ashford</p> <p>Scheduled Amendment TBC</p>	<p>Extension of 'no waiting at any time' restrictions (double yellow lines) to proposed parking restrictions necessary to allow for the development covered by planning application (11/00405/AS-17/00354/AS)</p>	<p>TBC</p>	<p>Developer proposed extension of parking restrictions on adoptable highway (junctions leading into the new development and onto existing highway). This will need to be reflected in the Traffic Regulation Order (TRO).</p> <p>Note:</p> <p>Normally KCC would make such changes as part of the S.278 agreement, but it is conceivable that the developer may ask the borough council to facilitate these changes instead.</p>

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AMENDMENT TBC (CHESSENDEN, SMARDEN)			
Location	Description of scheme	Date at JTB	Current Status
<p>Chessenden, Smarden</p> <p>Scheduled Amendment TBC</p>	<p>Implementation of 'no waiting at any time' restrictions (double yellow lines) to proposed parking restrictions necessary to allow passage of vehicles to new village shop, as proposed in planning application (18/1771/AS. Decision item 16)</p>	<p>TBC</p>	<p>Proposed extension of parking restrictions on adopted highway which forms part of planning decision relating to new village store. This will need to be reflected in the Traffic Regulation Order (TRO).</p> <p>Note:</p> <p>Normally KCC would make such changes in their role as the highway authority, but ABC has been contacted in the initial stages.</p>

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Overnight HGV Enforcement and Clamping

To: Joint Transportation Board

By: Community Safety & Wellbeing Service

Date: 10th September 2019

Classification: For information

Ward: Across the Borough – Various

Summary:

Kent suffers from major issues because of HGVs parking in unsuitable locations. This causes danger, distress to residents and results in environmental waste in many locations. The Ashford clamping trial was a joint initiative between Kent County Council (KCC), Ashford Borough Council (ABC) and the Department for Transport (DfT). The overnight clamping trial was part of a zonal parking ban which operated between 8pm and 7am and covered the A20 between Charing and Ashford and four industrial estates in the borough. The trial allowed first time clamping of vehicles that contravene restrictions and the Penalty Charge Notices (PCN) include a £150 clamp release fee.

The experimental HGV clamping trial has been extremely successful in reducing the number of HGVs parking in inappropriate locations in the Ashford District. During the 18 month trial 2754 HGVs have been clamped. The number of HGVs parked in Ashford borough has reduced by 61% with little displacement to neighbouring districts.

The clamping trial was introduced on 30 October 2017 and expired on 30 April 2019. This report explains the current position regarding the replacement of the experimental order with a permanent order commencing in September 2019.

Background

1. There has been a growing problem with HGVs parking overnight in various locations in the borough for many years. This has resulted in a number of restrictions being put in place to prohibit the parking of HGVs overnight. The first ban prohibiting the parking of HGVs between 20.00 and 07.00 the following day was put in place at the Orbital Park and Ashford Business Park Sevington in 2003. ABC has piloted various enforcement initiatives to address this growing problem. These have included the appointment of Trans European collection agents, various multi-agency enforcement operations and a trial in 2015 involving the clamping of persistent evading HGVs.

2. All enforcement initiatives to date have had limited success. This Experimental Traffic Regulation Order (ETRO) and clamping trial has been developed by working with the DfT so that it can reflect the unique issues faced in the county. The DfT agreed to change the current clamping policy for HGVs so that a clamp can be introduced for first time offences.
3. The Experimental Traffic Regulation Order was written and sealed by KCC and came into effect on 30th October 2017 for eighteen months, prohibiting the overnight parking of HGVs along the A20 between Charing and the Drivers Roundabout Ashford and included existing Industrial Estates where there was already an overnight waiting ban. The prohibition also extended for some distance along adjoining roads off of the A20 to prevent displacement into adjacent villages.
4. KCC placed the necessary signage at the entrance points to the restricted zone. Some repeater signs were also placed in known locations affected by inconsiderate and dangerous parking along the A20.
5. The trial was preceded by a significant period of education and advertising. Warning notices in multiple languages were issued by our Civil Enforcement Officers to HGV's parked in areas where enforcement would be taking place.
6. A Statutory Instrument that restricted local authorities outside of London to not charge any more than a £40 release fee for each clamp was amended for the duration of this trial only. The DfT in December 2017 agreed to allow the release fee to be increased to £150.00 in order to cover the costs being incurred by ABC to remove each clamp

Summary of the trial.

7. Our officers continued to patrol and enforce on a regular basis on the A20 and in the four existing locations where an HGV overnight ban is in place. Our officers have also continued to monitor possible displacement HGV parking on other Industrial Estates and nearby residential areas, this has continued to stay low and the trial had no impact on displacement to other areas.
8. The numbers of HGV's parking on the A20 and all other areas reduced significantly over the trial period.
9. Weekend parking in all locations continues to stay low and the increased uptake in parking at the Ashford Truck Stop especially at weekends continues.

10. We worked closely with the clamping company, London Parking Solutions. . The total number of HGV's clamped was 2754 of which 1449 was on the A20.
11. During the trial there was a total of 42 appeals against the penalty charge notices issued to HGV's in contravention. All appeals have been rejected except 3 where 2 HGV's had broken down and 1 provided medical evidence. 1 case was taken to the next stage of Tribunal on the point of lack of signage and the outcome was that the adjudicator agreed with ABC's decision and this case was dismissed.
12. KCC undertook overnight lorry parking surveys in September 2018. There had been a dramatic reduction in on-street parking in the Ashford Borough since the trial was introduced. The surveys showed a 61% decrease in inappropriate parking in the Ashford Borough between September 2017 and September 2018 with very little displacement to other areas (Maidstone and Folkestone and Hythe).
13. The Ashford Truck stop reported that they were at full capacity 25 out of 31 nights during January and the 6 remaining nights were near to full capacity. In April they increased by a further 200 spaces and have had spaces available every night since.

Since the trial

14. The Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) consultation took place between 15th April and 13th May 2019 to make the trial area permanent to continue enforcement. KCC received 17 responses, 16 positive and supporting with 1 formal objection from 1 of our statutory consultees the Road Haulage Association (RHA). Following recommendation at the Joint Transportation Board on 11th July the TRO was sealed by KCC and live on the 15th July. The TRO will only allow clamping based on current legislation which is after 3 or more outstanding Penalty Charge Notices and a maximum of a £40 clamp release fee.
15. During the trial the DfT gave permission to clamp on the first offence and charge a clamp release fee of £150.00. We have now sought formal DfT approval to continue first time clamping on vehicles that contravene restrictions and an increased clamp release fee to ensure costs can be covered with no additional impact on KCC & ABC finances.
16. A response was received from DfT on 12th June 2019 based on the evidence, the outcome of the trial, the commitment and holistic approach from ABC along with the now increased lorry parking provision they have provided legal notification and permission for clamping on the first offence; along with a maximum release fee of £150 to continue in the areas that were subject to the trial. In addition the DfT are aware that if

clamping removal fees increase at procurement then ABC will review the need to apply for a further increase in release fees

17. We have now arranged a contract to continue for one year with London Parking Solutions to attend when required to clamp vehicles after a PCN has been issued.

Next Steps

18. The Civil Enforcement Team are now prepared to continue with ongoing enforcement with arrangements made to start clamping HGV's from w/c 16th September 2019. A new rota has been put in place to ensure coverage for the night enforcement for the HGV's without impacting on day time enforcement.

Recommendations

19. To note the report and agree that in future the operation of the scheme be the subject of an annual monitoring report to the Board with intervening reports in the event that decisions are needed from the Board on the running of the scheme.

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M20 J10a

Highways England

Period to end of August 2019

1. Summary

This report provides an update of activities and progress made on the M20 J10A project since the last Joint Transport Board; and outline plans for the next 3 months.

The major tasks completed are:

- The new junction is taking place with the new bridges now in place and the 4 slip roads formed. Sub base and kerbing works is underway to form the circulating area. The key South-East Water diversion through the new bridge is in place and commissioned
- The installation of the overhead gantries.
- Kingsford Bridge and associated cycle/pedestrian is due to open at beginning of September prior to the demolition of the old Highfield Lane bridge.
- We have opened the new roundabout on A2070, allowing traffic to return back towards Orbital Park Roundabout.
- The M20 flow has improved through the rearrangement of some traffic management and installation of a 60mph speed limit through the road works in both directions

2. Construction works completed in the period

a. Installation of gantries and installation of mastic on the new bridges

The installation of the overhead gantries was successfully installed over the weekend of 2 - 5 August 2019. We also successfully installed mastic on the new bridges and are due to open the Kingsford Street footbridge for public use next month.

b. Utility Diversion Works

Southern Water - Additional rising main replacement across compound 1 car park complete except for cover slabs.

South East Water – Continued works on water main diversion over east gyratory bridge with new pipes now in service.

BT & Southern Gas Networks – various works taking place on A2070 and A20

c. Earthworks

A2070 Roundabout

- Noise Barrier to 16 Nightingale installed.
- Fill adjacent to retaining wall placed in preparation for SGN diversion works.

Link Road

- Phase 2 sub-base/tarmac to binder level laid to south c/way.
- Gully raising commenced.
- North carriageway being used for haul route.
- Landscape fill underway along with footway construction.

Eastbound on slip

- Surfacing to binder course laid

Eastbound off slip

- Carrier Drainage complete.
- Sub-base and kerbing complete.
- Surfacing to binder level complete, on available area. Remaining slip road cannot be constructed until J10 slip roads are closed.

Westbound off slip

- Drainage east of Kingsford ongoing
- Kerbs/sub-base and surfacing to binder course laid from gyratory to nosing

Westbound on slip

- Phase 2 stabilisation complete.
- Drainage to west of Lacton ongoing, along with surfacing work.
- Remaining slip road cannot be constructed until J10 slip roads are closed.

Pond 1

- Liner installed, and fill material being placed

Pond 3

- Drainage connections complete except for outfall.

Kingsford Street

- Bridge approach footpath underway. Noise barrier to Kingsford Street commenced.

3. Traffic Management

A20 Hythe Road

- Temporary two-way signals in place.
- Plan to remove for the M20 bridge demolition then reinstate for BT works.

A2070

- Single Lane Running in either direction through the new roundabout between J10 and Orbital Roundabout.
- Overnight Closures booked for both carriageways in early October 2019.

4. Key Activities planned for the next 3 months

During this period (Sept-Nov), we will be working towards finishing key areas of the project and opening up areas to traffic.

Key targets include:

- Demolition of Highfield Lane Footbridge.
- Opening of Kingsford Road Footbridge
- Surfacing and Line Markings on A2070
- Removal of Traffic Management on the M20
- Construction on the new junction 10a roundabout and opening of the Link Road

5. Health, Safety and Wellbeing

There have been no RIDDORs or lost time accidents recorded in the last 3 months therefore the accident frequency rate (AFR) and Lost Time Incident (LTI) are zero.

On the last Thursday of every month we stand down all work on site and hold a health and safety breakfast for all members of staff. During these stand downs we discuss all relevant health, safety, wellbeing and environmental matters and engage the workforce in everything that has happened over the month in relation to these topics.

Furthermore, we are continuously offering further training to our workforce including the new Think Again training, which focusses on eliminating health and safety incidents by changing behaviors and attitude towards how we safely conduct work on site.

The wellbeing focus for July was, handling the heat with stats posters, and leaflets information placed in the canteens for all to read during rest periods. The focus for August has been a continuation of Summer Working. All staff members were issued with refillable water bottles as part of our commitment to reduce single use plastics.

This is separated into 3 key areas including Dehydration, Skin Damage and Heat Stress/ Fatigue. Each area has specific advice about recognising the systems and preventative measures.

Continuing our focus on Mental Health we completed the two-day Mental Health First Aid Training for 12 people on the 16th and 23rd July 2019. This training was well received by the people attending the sessions.

Department for Transport acoustic camera trial

To: Joint Transportation Board

By: Community Safety & Wellbeing Service

Date: 10th September 2019

Classification: For information

Ward: Across the Borough – Various

Summary:

The Department for Transport (DfT) has commissioned a prototype noise camera to be tested at several locations over the next 7 months. These cameras are designed to measure the sound levels of passing vehicles to detect those that are breaking legal noise limits and could use automated number plate recognition to help enforce the law.

Background

1. The DfT have commissioned the trial as studies have shown that exposure to noise can have significant physical and mental health implications - with heart attacks, high blood pressure, type 2 diabetes and stress all linked to long term contact with loud environments.
2. Currently, enforcement is mainly reactive and relies on subjective judgment, mainly from a Police Officer in relation to The Road Vehicles (Construction and Use) Regulations 1986. Therefore the aim of the trial is to provide guidance for objectively and subjectively appraising noise levels emitted from exhaust systems would ensure a consistent nationwide approach to enforcement.

Summary of the trial

3. The DfT has commissioned a prototype noise camera to be tested at several identified locations over the next 7 months (commenced in June 2019). The new technology will aim to detect illegal, excessively noisy vehicles and help create quieter streets. The cameras could work like speed cameras to target law-breaking drivers automatically.
4. The trial is not intended to target law-abiding drivers, but those who are flouting laws around noise and impacting on communities.

5. Once the trial has been completed it will be evaluated and if the trials are successful, recommendations will be made to further develop the system across the UK.

Next Steps

6. Await for the trial to come to an end and review the recommendations when published.
7. Bring a further paper to the JTB once the trial recommendations have been reviewed to decide on next steps.
8. Please note that Kent County Council are also aware of the trial and have indicated that at this early stage they would support ABC in implementing such technology but would be at the cost to ourselves as an environmental matter.

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To: Ashford Joint Transportation Board
By: KCC Highways, Transportation & Waste
Date: 10th September 2019
Subject: Highway Forward Works Programme – 2019/20 onwards
Classification: Information Only

Summary: This report updates Members on the identified schemes approved for construction

1. Introduction

This report provides an update and summarises schemes that have been programmed for delivery in 2019/20.

Kent County Council has agreed a substantial increase in the budget for planned highway works over the next three years, and as a result we are still in the process of identifying and designing schemes for inclusion in our full Year One to Two (2019/20 and 2020/21) and Year Three to Five (2021/22 to 2023/24) programmes. Because of this, we have decided to publish an interim programme, and to publish the full programmes later this year. For some assets this interim programme covers approximately the first six months of 2019/20, whilst for others it includes most of the works planned for the whole year.

This programme is subject to regular review and may change for a number of reasons including budget allocation, contract rate changes, and to reflect KCC's changing priorities. The programme and extent of individual sites within the programme may also be revised following engineering assessment during the design phase.

Road, Footway & Cycleway Renewal and Preservation Schemes – see Appendix A

Drainage Repairs & Improvements – see Appendix B

Street Lighting – see Appendix C

Transportation and Safety Schemes – see Appendix D

- **Casualty Reduction Measures**
- **Externally funded schemes**
- **Local Growth Fund**

Developer Funded Works – see Appendix E

PROW – see Appendix F

Bridge Works – see Appendix G

Traffic Systems – see Appendix H

Combined Member Fund – see Appendix I

Street Works – see Appendix J

Conclusion

1. This report is for Members' information.

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Nikola Floodgate	Schemes Programme Manager

Appendix A – Road, Footway and Cycleway Renewal and Preservation Scheme

The delivery of these schemes is weather dependent; should it prove not possible to carry out these works on the planned dates, new dates will be arranged, and the residents will be informed by a letter drop to their homes.

Machine Resurfacing – Contact Officer Byron Lovell			
Road Asset Renewal (Machine Surfacing) describes the range of responses we may use when the surface or sub-surface layers that have deteriorated to a point that they need to be replaced. The existing surface is cold milled to the required depth and a new surface / pavement layer installed.			
Road Name	Parish	Extent of Works	Current Status
A292 Hythe Road	Willesborough	Lees Road to M20 J10 onslip	Completed
A28 Canterbury Road	Kennington	George Williams Way to Bybrook Road	Completed
Hamstreet Road	Hamstreet	<u>Retexturing</u> Cross roads at Bromley Green and Sugarloaf	Completed
A28 Ashford Road	Bethersden	Bull Lane to Standard Lane	To be programmed in 2020
Road Asset Preservation Schemes - Contact Officer: Jonathan Dean			
Micro Surfacing			
<i>Micro-asphalt is applied cold, in fluid form directly onto the existing road, to seal the surface to prevent water penetration, restore texture and improve skid resistance. The material is bitumen based, when it has cured it gives texture to the new surface; this influences skid resistance and durability.</i>			
Road Name	Parish	Extent of Works	Current Status
A28 Rolvenden Road	Rolvenden	From Halden Road to Cranbrook Road	To be Programmed
Acton Lane	Wittersham	From Stone Corner to stream (100 metres before Rushgreen House)	Completed
Appledore Road/Bench Hill/Woodchurch Road	Appledore	Between B2067 and School Road	To be Programmed
Biddenden Road	Smarden	From Bethersden Road to property 'West View'	Completed
Calleywell Lane	Aldington	Whole road	Completed
Heath Road	Appledore	From School Road to The Street	Completed

Knoll Hill	Aldington	From Boat Lane to Roman Road	Completed
Smallhythe Road	Tenterden	From red high friction surfacing/30mph speed limit to nursery entrance	Completed
Susans Hill	Woodchurch	From Little Robhurst to Bethersden Road	Completed
Wassall Lane	Rolvenden	From A28 to Frog Lane	Completed
New Road / Forge Hill	Aldington	From Cherry Orchard Lane to Mill Lane	Completed
Surface Dressing			
<i>Surface Dressing is the application of bitumen, which is sprayed onto the road surface followed by the laying of chippings onto the bitumen. These layers seal the surface to prevent water penetration, restore texture and improve skid resistance.</i>			
Road Name	Parish	Extent of Works	Current Status
A251 Faversham Road	Challock	From Pested Lane to Challock Crossroads	Completed
Benenden Road	Biddenden	Extents to be determined	Completed
Retread			
<i>Re-tread is where the existing surface is recycled. Any excess material is removed or any additional material required, is imported then the material is sprayed with bitumen. It is mixed thoroughly to combine the bitumen with the stone and then shaped to the required levels</i>			
SPARROW HATCH LANE	Bethersden	Railway Bridge to Dowle Street	In Design Est completion September 2019
DOWLES STREET ROAD	Bethersden	From Rushbrook to Smarden Road	In Design Est completion September 2019
BETHERSDEN ROAD	Smarden	From Biddenden Road to Little Langley Farm	In Design Est completion September 2019

Appendix B - Drainage

Drainage Works – Contact Officer: Earl Bourner			
Road Name	Parish	Description of Works	Current Status
The Street, Warehorne Road, Ruckinge Road and Ashford Road	Hamstreet	Full cleansing and CCTV carried out to identify defects	Awaiting work reports for scheme identification.
Shottenden Road	Molash	Flooding issue across carriageway.	Investigation at early stage, to continue with investigation and find a resolution.

Appendix C – Street Lighting

Structural testing of KCC owned street lights has identified the following as requiring replacement. A status of complete identifies that the column replacement has been carried out. Programme dates are identified for those still requiring replacement.

Street Lighting Column Replacement – <i>Contact Officer: Sue Kinsella</i>			
Road Name	Parish	Description of Works	Current Status
High Street Ashford	Victoria	Replacement of 31 no street lights	Works programmed for completion by end November 2019
Bank Street	Victoria	Replacement of 7 no street light	Works programmed for completion by end November 2019
New Street	Victoria	Replacement of 7 no street light	Works programmed for completion by end November 2019

Appendix D – Transportation and Safety Schemes

Casualty Reduction Measures

The Schemes Planning & Delivery team is implementing schemes within the Ashford District, in order to meet Kent County Council's (KCC) strategic targets (for example, addressing traffic congestion or improving road safety). Casualty reduction measures have been identified to address a known history of personal injury crashes. Current status correct as of 16th August 2019.

Local Transport Plan funded schemes – Contact Officer: Darren Hickman		
Road Name	Description of Works	Current Status
Casualty reduction measures (reactive) – Ashford		
A274 Headcorn Road	Frittenden	Improvements to existing road surface, signing and lining
A20 Hythe Road J/W Church Road	Smeeth	Upgrade to existing junction layout
A20 Maidstone Road J/W Cades Road	Hothfield	Upgrade to existing junction layout and speed limit reduction to 50MPH
Magpie Hall Road J/W Ashford Road	Ashford	Improvements to traffic signs and road markings
Smarden Bell Road	Smarden	Improvements to road markings and traffic signs
Appledore Road	Tenterden	Improvements to existing road surface, signing and lining and speed limit reduction to 50MPH
Flanders (Kingsnorth) Roundabout	Kingsnorth	Upgrade of existing roundabout at junction of A2042 / Bad Münstereifel Road / Malcom Sargent

INTEGRATED TRANSPORT SCHEMES			
Local Transport Plan funded non-casualty reduction schemes			
Road Name	Description of Works	Source of Funding	Current Status
High Street, Biddenden	Biddenden	Junction reconfiguration	Revision to initial designs being prepared following local concerns to original proposals for junction upgrade works

New Street J/W Chart Road	Ashford	Provision of maintenance bay on roundabout	Works completed
A20 Maidstone Road J/W A252 Charing Road	Charing	Provision of maintenance bay on roundabout	Works ordered
A20 Maidstone Road J/W Orchard Heights	Ashford	Provision of maintenance bay on roundabout	Works completed
Romney Marsh Road J/W Forestall Meadow	Ashford	Provision of maintenance bay on roundabout	Works completed
Tithe Barn Lane	Singleton & Great Chart	Provision of new Toucan pedestrian crossing	Detailed design

Safer Roads Fund – Contact Officer: Darren Hickman			
Road Name	Description of Works	Source of Funding	Current Status
A252 between Chilham (A28) and Charing (A20)	Charing, Challock, Molash, Chilham	Safety improvements along A252 between the villages of Chilham and Charing	We are currently finalising the scheme design and arranging road safety audits to be carried out.

Appendix E – Developer Funded Works

Developer Funded Works (Section 278 Agreement Works) – Contact Officer: Jamie Hare				
Scheme Name	Mastergov File Ref No	Parish	Description of Works	Current Status
Calleywell Lane	AS003039	Aldington	New access for development	Works complete and in maintenance period No Change
Roman Road	AS003153	Aldington	New vehicle access	Works complete and in maintenance period
Ragstone Hollow	AS003177	Aldington	Parking bays	Works complete and in maintenance period
Newtown Road, former railway site	AS000419	Newtown	New controlled pedestrian crossing and construction of site entrance	Works substantially complete – remedial works required
Ashdown Court	AS003038	Ashford	New access to development and footway works	Works complete; remedial works required before Cert 1 is issued
Dover Place	AS003051	Ashford	Amendments to junction and works to the footway required	Works complete and in maintenance period
Henwood	AS003090	Ashford	New junction at Flipout	Works complete in maintenance period
Elwick Road	AS003076	Ashford	Vehicular access for hotel	Works complete in maintenance period
Carlton Road	AS003084	Ashford	New junction	Works complete in maintenance period
B2042 Ashford Designer Outlet	AS003092	Ashford	New slip road to car park	Works complete in maintenance period
Kimberley Way Roundabout, Ashford Designer Outlet	AS003093	Ashford	Amendments to the existing roundabout to increase capacity	Works complete in maintenance period
Newtown Road, Designer Outlet	AS003143	Ashford	New traffic signals	Works complete and in maintenance period
Boxley	AS003145	Ashford	New vehicle access	Works complete and in maintenance period
Charter House	AS003151	Ashford	New footway	Agreement signed, works commenced on site

Austin Road	AS003157	Ashford	New junction and vehicle cross-overs	Works complete and in maintenance period
Aldi, Victoria Road	AS003161	Ashford	New junction	Works complete, remedial works required
Curious Brewery Site, Victoria Road	AS003164	Ashford	New junction	Works complete, remedial works required
Victoria Crescent	AS003165	Ashford	New vehicle access and footway works	S278 Agreement signed – works start late August
Leacon Road	AS003166	Ashford	New vehicle access and bus stops	Works commenced on site
Carlton Road	AS003170	Ashford	New junction for car park	Agreement being prepared
Jemmett Road	AS003179	Ashford	2 new junctions and footway	Works started on site
Victoria Road	AS003180	Ashford	2 new accesses and footway works in George Street	Agreement signed – works commenced August 2019
Victoria Road	AS003235	Ashford	Access to new car park	Agreement signed
Hinxhill Park, Hythe Road	AS003238	Ashford	New signalised junction	In technical audit stage
Spindlewood to Repton Park	AS003281	Ashford	Short length of link Road	Agreement being prepared
A274 North Street	AS003103	Biddenden	New junction	Agreement signed
Faversham Road	AS003140	Challock	New junction	Works complete in maintenance period
Tile Lodge Road	AS003086	Charing	Residential parking area	Works complete in maintenance period
Maidstone Road	AS003168	Charing	New access to housing estate	Agreement being prepared
Ashford Road	AS003049	Chilham	Bagham Place access and pedestrian crossing	Works complete in maintenance period
Willesborough Road	AS003149	Conningbrook	Junction improvements at Julie Rose stadium	Agreement being prepared
A28 Chart Road, Brunswick Road	AS002081	Godinton	Rearrange junction alignment	In technical audit stage
Chilmington Green	AS003054	Great Chart	Access B to new housing development	Works complete and in maintenance period

Chilmington Access A – A28	AS003069	Great Chart	Roundabout	Works complete and in maintenance period
Chilmington Access D – Coulter Road	AS003097	Great Chart	New mini roundabout and amendments to the existing highway	Works complete and in maintenance period
Mock Lane and Coulter Road	AS003169	Great Chart	Laybys for gas delivery	In technical audit stage
Ashford Road	AS003214	High Halden	New controlled crossing	In technical audit stage
Watery Lane	AS003150	Hothfield	Re-surfacing to Tarmac plant access road	Works complete and in maintenance period
Lambden Oaks	AS003107	Pluckley	New vehicle access	Works complete and in maintenance period
Station Road	AS003160	Pluckley	Road widening	In technical audit stage
Cheesemans Green, Principal Access Road	AS000418	Sevington	New principal road to developments	Works complete and in maintenance period
A2070/Finberry Park junction	AS003154	Sevington	Junction improvement	Agreement being prepared
Woodchurch Road	AS003171	Shadoxhurst	New access to houses behind the Kings Head	Works under construction
Wesley School Road	AS003028	Singleton	Change of road alignment to introduce on street parking	Works complete outstanding remedial works
The Street	AS003219	Smarden	2 new accesses and drainage	Agreement being prepared
Calland	AS003146	Smeeth	Vehicle crossover	Agreement signed
Tenterden Site #1 SAS	AS003036	Tenterden	Small Hythe Road, Tenterden. New housing development	Works commenced Ongoing
Danemore Road	AS003152	Tenterden	New vehicle crossover and turning head	Works complete and in maintenance period
Tilden Gill	AS003215	Tenterden	Junction realignment	In technical audit stage
Tilden Gill Roundabout	AS003230	Tenterden	New roundabout	In technical audit stage
Church Lane	AS003173	Warehorne	Two new vehicle accesses	Works commenced Ongoing

Cudworth Road	AS003024	Willesborough	New access to development	Works completed and in maintenance
Essella Road	AS003067	Willesborough	New junction	Works complete in maintenance period
Blackwall Road South	AS003080	Willesborough	Proposed widening of carriageway	Works complete in maintenance period
Monument Way	AS003113	Willesborough	New vehicle access to Mercedes garage	Works commenced Ongoing
Jubilee Field	AS003147	Wittersham	Access to private road	Works complete in maintenance period
Brattle	AS003155	Woodchurch	New parking bays	Works complete in maintenance period
Court Farm	AS003058	Wye	Amendments to vehicle access	Works complete in maintenance period
Olantigh Road	AS003126	Wye	School crossing	Works to be completed end of August 2019

Appendix F – Public Rights of Way

Public Rights of Way – Contact Officer: David Fleck			
Path No	Parish	Description of Works	Current Status
AE643	Ruckinge	Path collapsing on Canal bank	Ongoing environmental works. (Badger damage)

Appendix G – Bridge Works

Bridge Works – Contact Officer: Earl Bourner			
Path No	Parish	Description of Works	Current Status
No planned works			

Appendix H – Traffic Systems

There is a programme of scheduled maintenance to refurbish life expired traffic signal equipment across the county based upon age and fault history. The delivery of these schemes is dependent upon school terms and holiday periods; local residents, businesses and schools will be informed verbally and by a letter drop of the exact dates when known.

Traffic Systems - Contact Officer: Toby Butler		
Location	Description of Works	Current Status
A292 Hythe Road near Star Road, Ashford	Refurbishment of traffic signal controlled crossing	Programmed October 2019
A28 West Cross/ B2082 Small Hythe Road, Tenterden	Refurbishment of traffic signal controlled junction	Programmed September 2019
A28 Magazine Road near Sussex Avenue	Replacement of signal controller	Programmed July 2019

Appendix I - Combined Member Grant programme update

Member Highway Fund programme update for the Ashford District.

The following schemes are those which have been approved for funding by both the relevant Member and by Simon Jones, Director of Highways, Transportation and Waste. The list only includes schemes, which are

- in design
- at consultation stage
- Handed over for delivery
- Recently completed on site.

The list is up to date as of **16th August 2019.**

The details given below are for highway projects only. This report does not detail

- Contributions Members have made to other groups such as parish councils
- Highway studies
- Traffic/ non-motorised user surveys funded by Members.

More information on the schemes listed below can be found via Kent Gateway, the online database for all Combined Member Grant schemes and studies, or by contacting the Traffic and Safety Engineer for the Combined Member Grant Ashford District.

[Clair Bell]

Details of Scheme	Status
New Road Hill Aldington – Speed limit reduction to 40MPH (Joint funded with Aldington Parish Council)	Consultation period completed. Speed limit TRO to be sealed on the 22 nd August 2019. New road signs ordered

[Charlie Simkins]

Details of Scheme	Status

[George Koowaree]

Details of Scheme	Status

[Mike Hill]

Details of Scheme	Status
High Halden Road Biddenden – Road markings and road sign improvement to reduce speed	Works ordered

[Mike Angell]

Details of Scheme	Status

[Paul Bartlett]

Details of Scheme	Status
Upper Queens Road Ashford – Improvements to existing no entry signs	Works completed
Loudon Way Ashford – Traffic surveys to investigate provision of new zebra crossing	Works completed
Nine Acres Ashford – New traffic calming feature	Detailed design works in progress
Bybrook Road Ashford – Request for a traffic survey	Awaiting quotations

Appendix J – Street Works

Please note that this list is accurate at the time of running the report and is subject to cancellations and additions.

Report highlighting all works in Ashford District that require road closures with a duration of 10+ days

Street Works – Contact Officer Alison Hews						
Road	Location	Works Description	Works Promoter	Dates from	Dates to	Traffic management comments
Hythe Road	Willesborough	Gas Mains replacement works	Southern Gas Networks	6/4/2020	2/07/2020	Road closure – in sections as works progress
Plain Road	Smeeth	Installation of 230Meters of gas main for new development	Energy Asset utilities	22/10/2019	27/11/2019	Road Closure
Tufton Road	Hothfield	Excavate drive pit for auger boring, on diversion of sewer, associated	Southern Water	12/8/2019	23/9/2019	Road Closure

		with current over pumping in place on The Street.				
Martens Lane	High Halden	Installation of new water main	South East Water	28/10/2019	22/11/2019	Road Closure - access for business and residents maintained

1.1 Legal Implications

1.1.1 Not applicable.

1.2 Financial and Value for Money Considerations

1.2.1 Not applicable.

1.3 Risk Assessment

1.3.1 Not applicable.

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