

AGENDA MANAGEMENT SHEET

Name of Committee Rugby Area Committee

Date of Committee 22nd March 2007

Report Title Capital Programme for Transport 2007-8

Summary The report sets out the draft 2007-8 Capital Programme for Integrated Transport for the Rugby area.

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Would the recommended decision be contrary to the Budget and Policy Framework? Yes/No

Background Papers None

CONSULTATION ALREADY UNDERTAKEN:- *Details to be specified*

- Other Committees Cabinet 11th January 2007
- Local Member(s) Seminar 25th January 2007
(With brief comments, if appropriate)
- Other Elected Members
- Cabinet Member Councillor M Heatley – for information.
(Reports to The Cabinet, to be cleared with appropriate Cabinet Member)
- Chief Executive
- Legal I Marriot – agreed.
- Finance C Holden – agreed.
- Other Chief Officers
- District Councils

- Health Authority
- Police
- Other Bodies/Individuals

FINAL DECISION **YES/NO** *(If 'No' complete Suggested Next Steps)*

SUGGESTED NEXT STEPS :

Details to be specified

- Further consideration by this Committee
- To Council
- To Cabinet 10th May 2007.
- To an O & S Committee
- To an Area Committee
- Further Consultation

Rugby Area Committee - 22nd March 2007

Capital Programme for Transport 2007-8

Report of the Strategic Director for Environment and Economy

Recommendation

That Members:-

1. Support the Capital Programme for Integrated Transport for Rugby Area given in Table 1.
2. Agree that schemes listed in Table 4 be removed from the list of delegated budget requests.
3. Agree that schemes which remain on the list of delegated budget requests for three years are removed from future lists.

1. Introduction

- 1.1 A seminar for Rugby Area Committee Members was held on 25th January 2007. At the seminar a draft 2007-8 programme of integrated transport schemes was discussed. The purpose of this report is to enable Rugby Area Committee to formally support the proposed programme for Rugby Area.
- 1.2 The full programme for all five Area Committees will be reported to Cabinet on 10th May 2007.

2. Capital Programme for Rugby Area

- 2.1 The draft Capital Programme for Integrated Transport is given in Table 1. It is recommended that Area Committee resolves to support this programme. A costed programme of schemes will then be developed within the resources available, and reported to Cabinet in May.

Table 1 – Programme of Integrated Transport Projects for Rugby Area 2007-8

Traffic Management/Congestion Management
Variable Message Signs for Car Parking in Rugby.
Village Speed Limit Reviews
B4112 Harborough Magna.
B4455 Stretton on Dunsmore.
B4453 Princethorpe.
Public Transport
Rugby - Lower Hillmorton Bus Corridor Enhancements – detailed design, with delivery late 2007-8.
Warwickshire Quality Rail Partnership - CCTV at Rugby Railway Station.
Bus Information Points – Rugby.
Parish Council Bus Shelter Initiative - Funding for parish council bus shelters requests.
Safer Routes To Schools
Avon Valley school cycle route from Brownsover.
Ashlawn Road – short cycleway link between Ashlawn School and proposed cycleway A428 Hillmorton Road/High Street.
Bishop Wulstan Catholic School, St Marie’s Infant School and Rugby School - pedestrian crossing on Barby Road.
Crossing Facilities
Dropped Kerb Programme for Rugby Area (£20,000).
Clifton Road/Church Street/Railway Terrace Signalised Junction Upgrade – Local Transport Plan (LTP) contribution to developer funded scheme.
Whitehall Road, near Clifton Road, Rugby - Dual puffin crossing – LTP contribution to developer funded scheme.
Foot/Cycleways
Black Path Footbridge – scheme to improve the southern access to the footbridge – development of scheme and design 2007-8. Implementation late 2007-8/2008-9.
A428 Hillmorton Road/High Street Cycleway – in conjunction with Casualty Reduction Scheme on Hillmorton Road/High Street/Crick Road.
Lawford Road Cycleway (developer contribution available for this scheme) – design 2007-8, construction 2008.
Cawston Foot/Cycle/Bridleway – completion of missing link to Lawford Lane.
Casualty Reduction Schemes
A428 Hillmorton Road/High Street/Crick Road - interactive signs and speed limit.

3. Countywide Projects

- 3.1 In addition to the programme listed in Table 1 there are a number of countywide allocations which Cabinet will be asked to approve. These are listed in Table 2, below. A programme of schemes for these allocations will be developed during the year with appropriate consultation with local Members and Area Committees.

Table 2 – Countywide Allocations 2007-8

Casualty Reduction Schemes - identification of new 'cluster' sites and implementation of minor casualty reduction schemes.
Public Transport - minor schemes aimed at improving the quality and attractiveness of public transport (e.g. shelters, signing etc).
Congestion Management – feasibility of variable message information (free text) signs, giving details of forthcoming events, delays, road works etc.
Enhancements to existing pedestrian crossing facilities for the benefit of disabled persons.
Cycling Projects Fund – parking, signage etc.

4. Delegated Budget for Rugby Area

- 4.1 At Cabinet on 11th January 2007 it was agreed that a sum of £40,000 would be delegated to each Area Committee to allocate to transport projects according to local priorities.
- 4.2 At the meeting of Area Committee on 23rd November 2006, concerns regarding safety on the A45 between Dunchurch and the Northamptonshire County boundary were discussed in detail. It was resolved that, when Cabinet had allocated funding to the 2007-8 delegated budget, Area Committee would allocate the full amount of its delegated budget to fund safety improvements on the A45 between Dunchurch and the County boundary with Northamptonshire. This was confirmed at the seminar.
- 4.3 Notwithstanding this, there are several other requests for minor works schemes in Rugby area. After careful consideration Members agreed that the following requests could be removed from the list in order to avoid the number of requests on the list continuing to increase annually. A letter of explanation will be sent to everyone whose requests have been unsuccessful.

Table 3 – Schemes to be Removed from the List of Requests

Ref.	Location & Description	Estimate
01RUG/07/08	Swedish Cottages to Village Hall, Hill – new footway.	£25,000
02RUG/07/08	Main Street, Bourton on Dunsmore – footway.	£12,000
04/RUG/07/08	A428 Coventry Road, Church Lawford – footway.	£30,000
01RUG/06-07	The Leys, Newton, Rugby – car parking.	£20,000
02RUG/06-07	Manor Estate, Wolston – car parking.	£20,000
04RUG/06/07	Brockhurst/Main Road, Monks Kirby – vehicle activated sign.	£10,000

- 4.4 Schemes not mentioned in Table 3 will remain on the list for consideration in 2008-9. It is recommended that if a scheme remains on the list for three years without being selected then it is removed from future lists. This will avoid the same proposals being revisited year on year.

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