



Action Notes :Basingstoke and Deane HAT Highways Meeting

Monday 28 March 2011, 2-4pm,
Beechdown Park, Basingstoke

Present (P) Apologies (A) Not Present (NP)

HAT Members

Cllr Still (Chairman)(P)
Cllr Thacker (Vice Chairman) (A)
Cllr Chapman (A)
Cllr McNair Scott (P)
Cllr Tucker(P)
Cllr Frankum (P)
Cllr Gurden (P)
Cllr Reid (A)
Cllr Burgess (P)
Cllr Hussey (P)

Officers

Jo White
Adrian Gray
Simon Found
Andy Kettlewell
Ian Foley
Steve Pellatt

Partners

Cllr Sanders
Cllr Biermann
Ian Robertson
Barry Ford

Cllr Still welcomed everyone to the Spring HAT Highways meeting, particularly to Borough Councillors and officers.

Cllr Still and Members thanked Peter Eade and Keith Rogers for their hard work and dedication and wished them well in the future.

Item 1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr Thacker, Cllr Chapman, Cllr Reid, Cllr Golding, Cllr Baker and Cllr Watts.

Item 2. Area North Highways and Transportation Management update

Adrian Gray gave a verbal update on the Highways and Transportation Management arrangements. A reduction in senior management of 25% has been implemented as part of the measures aiming to meet the financial planning targets for the County Council, and plans to rationalise and consolidate offices, looking at co-location with Amey, are being developed. The area-based planned maintenance activity will be consolidated under one team to improve the efficiency and coordination of this work. The modelled costs savings developed through 2010 appear to be in line with grant reductions and will meet the requirements going forward into 2011/12 and 2012/13. The current two area system has moved to a three area system. Adrian Gray is Head of Highways (North & East). The new area Highways Manager for Basingstoke will be Steve Pellatt. These changes will take effect from 4 April. The Hook depot will be a main office, there are no fixed timescales around this. The Rushmoor and Basingstoke Highways Office will move to the Hook depot. A greater use will be made of mobile working.

Item 3. Action notes from Highways HAT meeting 26 October 2010

The notes of the meeting were agreed as an accurate record with the following amendment- page 3 Table 2b Capital Programme Schemes Minor Works- the sensible way forward would be to adopt the forecourt in front of the shops.

Item 4. Matters arising from Highways HAT meeting 26 October 2011

The responses to the matters arising were agreed. Simon Found briefly outlined a paper on road adoptions as a result on action 1. Members commented that a schedule of road adoptions would be useful.

Action: Simon Found to produce schedule of road adoptions and circulate to HCC Councillors and Borough Councillors.

Item 5. List of previous actions on local issues

Simon Found introduced this item, items 17-25 are the new issues on the list.

With regard to item 16, this is now in the Traffic Management Programme for 2011/12.

Issues raised : There are a lot of bikers congregating in a nearby crescent to the roundabout and making a lot of noise early in the morning, thus disturbing residents. This is a police matter and not a highways matter.

Action: Adrian to speak to the police about anything they can do to encourage less antisocial behaviour.

It was noted that Items 13 and 18 are the same issue. The off road footway/cycleway scheme has been approved by Cllr Kendal and is now being progressed by Culture, Communities and Rural Affairs Department.

Items 19-21, Highways Officers are linking with the Parish Council and Cllr Chapman to progress these. Item 20 includes a trial of a road closure to be undertaken.

Item 6. Progress on Capital Programme

Table 1: Maintenance works 2010/11

Ian Foley presented this table, most schemes have been completed. Market Place and Sherfield Roundabout (should be Taylors Farm) have been deferred to 2011/12 to the Resilience Programme.

All road surface dressing schemes have been completed.

Most of the project restoration schemes have been completed, with a couple of schemes (A33 Binfields Roundabout, Aldermaston Road, Lister Road and Hackwood Roundabout) completed pending remedials in Q1 2011.

Table 2: Capital programme Schemes 2010/11

Simon Found presented this table, most schemes have been completed or are in progress. A couple of the schemes will be implemented in 2011/12

Alencon Link Interchange Improvements- August/September 2011

Golden Lion Accessibility Improvements- April 2011

Old kempshott Lane Accessibility Improvements- September 2011

Table 3: Traffic Management Programme 2010/11

Andy Kettlewell presented this table, most schemes have been completed with the following delays:

Beggarwood Lane- not progressed due to developer proposals

London Road- scheme under review due to recent accident and public consultation

Folly Cottages- Design agreed, implementation in 2011/12, delay due to objections to proposed traffic order

Kingsclere- implementation in 2011/12

Table 4: Traffic Management Borough Council programme- 2010/11-

Barry Ford presented this table, most schemes have been completed or about to be implemented, with Houndmills scheme being dropped from the programme due to poor response from consultation.

Item 7. Proposed Capital Programme 2011/12

Table 1: Under £50,000 Minor Works Programme

Ian Foley presented this table, Members were asked to note the schemes which were approved at the October HAT meeting.

- The Green, Tadley- near layby near school and improved accesses for disabled users to the footpath.
Action: Zig Zags need to be replaced in front of the school.
- Stephens Road, Tadley- Hard surface on existing muddy verges where parking is a problem
- King Road- New layby to help disabled residents
- Hawthorn Way, Beech way and Elmwood Way in Winklebury- installing grasscrete on existing verges
- Winklebury Way- New footpath link- on reserve list

Table 2: Operational Resilience

Ian Foley presented this table.

Issues raised

Page 4- Silchester Road- should be Pamber Heath and not Tadley

Page 8- Woodhay Downs- need pot holes to be fixed before resurfacing

Page 9- It was noted that there is no footway surface dressing scheduled for Basingstoke for 2011/12. The point was made that there are a lot of pot holes in footways in Basingstoke

Action: Cllr Biermann to produce a list of locations and send to Ian Foley.

In relation to footway surface dressing it is more effective to do double amount every two years.

Table 3: Capital and Study Programme 2011/12

Simon Found presented this table.

Issues raised

In relation to Alencon Link- the question was asked whether Members will get consulted on in relation to the design.

Response:

Detailed drawings are available from either Simon Found or Peter Gunner at the Borough Council for Members to look at.

Table 4: Hampshire County Council Traffic Management Programme 2011/12

Andy Kettlewell presented this table. Available funding will be allocated to priority 1 (rank 1) schemes

The funding for traffic management works in the north is just under £40,000 for the districts of Basingstoke and Deane, Hart and Rushmoor. It is not enough to cover all the schemes requested by Councillors. An update on progress will be provided through the HAT bulletins.

Table 5: Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council Agency traffic Management Programme 2011/12

Barry Ford presented this table, the budget for the programme has been reduced from £47k to £37k and therefore the programme will need to be reviewed in consultation with Members.

A number of residents had expressed concern about the proposals relating to residents parking permits in the Brookvale area of Basingstoke, resulting from a flier set out to residents from the Community Association. Residents were made aware that there will be a period of consultation with a series of options being presented.

Item 8. Local and Strategic Issues

1. Transport Planning Update:

Basingstoke Town Access Plan (TAP)

Further development on the TAP, which reviews access issues to the town centre and to key trip generators in Basingstoke, including the hospital and business parks has been carried out since the last HAT meeting. Stakeholder engagement on measures and options was carried out on the 4th November 2010. The feedback received from this consultation has been used to develop a draft Action Plan which has been reviewed by the Member Steering Group. The Stage 2 report (including the draft Action Plan) has now been drafted. Subject to Director of Environment endorsement, public consultation is planned to be carried out on 24th and 25th June 2011. The public consultation is planned to be held in Festival Place Shopping Centre, Basingstoke and is also planned to be accessible through the Hampshire County Council website.

Chineham Station Study work

A transport planning study is currently being carried out, which looks further at the likely demand, business case and surface access issues related to the proposed station. The study work is due to be completed shortly, and will help inform discussions with key stakeholders including Network Rail, the train operators and Department for Transport regarding the likely timescales and potential funding mechanisms for taking this proposal forward.

Local Sustainable Transport Fund

The Local Sustainable Transport Fund (LSTF) has been set up by the Department for Transport to allow Local Transport Authorities the opportunity to bid for monies towards 'low cost – high impact' sustainable transport improvements in their area. The deadline for the first round of bids is 18th April 2011 and Hampshire County Council is planning to submit a bid in this first round for up to £5 million from the fund over four years. The outcome of the bid should be known by the end of June 2011.

2. A&B Road Speed Review Update

Adrian Gray gave an update on the A&B Road Speed Review. All A&B roads in Hampshire have been reviewed, and the final stage of prioritising roads for implementation based on casualty reduction benefits is underway. There is no specific funding for implementing speed limit changes, and it is likely that this fit in with existing programmes.

There are 6 red routes and 19 sections of speed limit changes highlighted in Basingstoke.

Action: Adrian Gray to look at the A340 Pamber Green and Tadley Road as there is a mix of speed limits from 30mph to 50pmh and this will be investigated.

7. AOB

Concern was expressed about the theft of metal road signs and would Hampshire County Council replace these with signs of different material. The response was that some are replaced with plastic signs where this is appropriate.

Cllr Gurden asked if the double yellow lines on Camrose Road can be repainted.

There was no other business and the meeting concluded.