**To:** Maidstone Joint Transportation Board

By: Tim Read, Head of Transportation

**Date:** 15<sup>th</sup> April 2015

**Subject:** Schemes Report

**Classification:** For Information

**Summary:** The purpose of this report is to provide members with a progress report on traffic and safety schemes currently being progressed by KCC Highways and Transportation

### 1. A229 Running Horse Roundabout

We are continuing to monitor the scheme and propose minor amendments to the signage and road markings on two approaches to the roundabout. We hope this may improve lane discipline on the approaches and roundabout. These alterations are now programmed for April 2015

### 2. A229 Stile Bridge to Knoxbridge

We developed a scheme including improved direction signage, high friction surfacing and improved cats-eyes, as well as undertaking substantial vegetation removal. These works are now complete and we will continue to monitor the sites safety going forward.

#### 3. 2014-15 Crash Remedial Measure Schemes

Work on the previously identified 2014/15 Crash Remedial sites is now complete. One site, the junction of the A20 at Roundwell, Bearsted remains outstanding.

#### 4. 2015- 16 Crash Remedial Measures Schemes

Work has commenced on identifying future sites requiring intervention. This has identified potential schemes for the current 2015/16 financial year at:

- A20 Lenham j/w Faversham Road
- Lidsing Road j/w Pilgrims Way (Boxley Hill)
- Sandling Lane j/w Old Chatham Road (Running Horse PH)

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### Appendix B:

# Combined Member Fund (Highways) programme update for the Maidstone District.

The following schemes are those which have been approved for funding by both the relevant Member and by John Burr, Director of Highways and is up to date as of 18 March 2015.

The details provided below are for Highway Schemes only (i.e. schemes that are either in design, or awaiting/in the process of being constructed or recently completed on site). The list does not refer to contribution only requests, including contributions to other groups such as Parish or District Councils. Feasibility and investigation studies may be mentioned, but are also excluded from the update list\*

\*More information on highway schemes, and including highway contributions and highway studies, can be accessed by each Member via the online database or by contacting their Highway Project Engineer.

#### **Combined Member Fund Highway Schemes**

#### **Paul Carter**

Details of Scheme	Status
Roseacre Lane and Yeoman Lane – Proposed 20 mph Zone	Traffic survey and draft design complete. Design check underway, and consultation with statutory stakeholders and other relevant parties will commence in April
Old Chatham Road/Sandling Lane – provision of dropped kerb crossing for pedestrians crossing from the car park to the Running Horse (Harvester) Public House and Restaurant	Design complete and a Road Safety Audit is in progress. Consultation with the Harvester Group has commenced

Mr Carter has provided funding towards the Old Chatham Road HGV Management and Parking Scheme in addition to funding for Boxley shrub maintenance and PROW KH3 north link

#### **Brian Clark**

Details of Scheme	Status
Corrance Green - Replace recently felled Tree. Grind Stump of felled tree in Corrance Green and replant.	With the County Member

Cumberland Avenue - Provision of parking, installation of fencing
and the removal of bollards, upgrade of lighting and extension of the
existing verge area

Design underway. Street lighting investigating the upgrade.

## **Brian Clark (continued)**

Farleigh Hill – Provision of an informal drop kerb crossing on the footway outside the Tile Centre to allow disabled pedestrians to cross to Lidl if they come down from Tesco. The works will require infringement of private land which has been agreed to by the land owner	Design complete. Awaiting legal agreement between KCC and the land owner to be completed
Lancet Lane - implement double yellow line junction protection at the Waldron Drive/Lancet Lane junction to prevent hazardous parking	TRO with legal for sealing. Works to be ordered upon completion of the sealing of the Order
Pheasant Lane (1) - Install new wooden bollards in the green area around post box at entrance of Pheasant Lane to prevent vehicles parking on the grass or mounting the kerb	Handed over for delivery. Works are imminent
Pheasant Lane (2) – Provision of lockable bollards to prevent Pheasant Lane being used as a through road	Works completed 13 March 2015
West Park Road – Salt bin	Handed over to the KCC Operations Team for delivery
Caernarvon Drive – Salt bin has been provided but in the wrong place and is to be relocated to its correct position as per the original request	Handed over to the KCC Operations Team for delivery
Plains Road - Implementation of a yellow box marking at the Plains Avenue/Loose Road junction Maidstone. The works will be carried out on a weekday between up and 11pm to avoid to the Kent Lane Rental charges	Handed over for delivery. No completion certificate has been issued. Engineer to check site.
Westward Road – Salt bin	Handed over to the KCC Operations Team for delivery
Mayfair Avenue - between footpath and allotment gate green area to left of the gate, install 2 bollards to prevent trucks parking on the green verge in front of the allotments	Handed over to Amey Consulting for design and delivery
Broadoak Avenue nr Cripple Street - Plant 2 trees, outside 5 and 7	Seeking site approval and quotation form the Soft Landscape Team

Parkway – Plant 2 trees	Seeking site approval and quotation form the Soft Landscape Team
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### **Dan Daley**

Details of Scheme	Status
Bower Lane, Fant – TRO (yellow lines)	Handed over for delivery. No completion certificate has been issued. Engineer to check site
Cherry Orchard Way - TRO (yellow lines)	With Amey Consulting for implementation (TRO sealed). Engineer has been advised a road space permit is being arranged and a gang sourced for out of hours working
Buckland Road - TRO, removal of 1 residents parking bay outside no. 53 opposite no. 42 to improve access to driveways of properties and allow emergency vehicles to pass (C Reynolds of MBC)	With Amey Consulting for progression. KCC Engineer has requested an update
Upper Fant Road – South west end of Upper Fant Road just before the bend leading into Hackney Road	Handed over for delivery. No completion certificate has been issued. Engineer to check site
Fant Lane outside Bower Grove School - Provide down-lighting at crossing point and warning sign for traffic coming round the bend from Tonbridge Road and on the roadway in both directions	Handed over for delivery. No completion certificate has been issued. Engineer to check site
Keswick Drive junction with Shearwater – Salt bin	Complete
Freshland Road – junction with Melford Drive – Salt bin	Complete
Stagshaw Close – TRO (single yellow lines and school Keep Clear)	With Amey Consulting for design and progression of the TRO in conjunction with Maidstone Borough Council Parking Team

### **Eric Hotson**

Details of Scheme	Status
Brishing Lane, Boughton Monchelsea - Advanced warning of Unsuitable HGV sign on Brishing Lane. Lorries are either ignoring the existing sign or the existing sign is in the wrong place with HGVs not seeing the sign until it's too late	Handed over to Amey Consulting for delivery
Marsham Crescent and Mercer Way - 2 x No Through Road Signs	Handed over for delivery
Linton Road, Loose - Salt bin outside Loose Valley Nursing Home	Handed over to the KCC Operations Team for delivery
Mr Hotson has also submitted a request for an investigation into improvements at Chart Sutton	

### **Gary Cooke**

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### Ian Chittenden

Details of Scheme	Status
St. Pauls School, Hatherall Road, Maidstone - 1. Extension of zig zag lines one side outside St Pauls school for about 30m to cover new pedestrian entrance where there has already been dangerous occurrences.	Handed over for delivery. No completion certificate has been issued. Engineer to check site
Heathfield Road, Maidstone - Outside numbers 36, 38 and 40, Amendment to TRO to remove two short lengths of double yellow lines in front of driveways	Handed over to Amey Consulting for delivery. Consultation resulted in design change. Amended Notice to be advertised

### Ian Chittenden (continued)

Maidstone - Please provide three new trees (1) In the verge opposite 1 Moncktons Avenue where a tree has been removed (2) Tree pit in the verge outside 15 Curzon Road (3) In the grass verge opposite the Hilton Hotel in Bearsted Road to replace a large cherry tree that has been removed	Handed over to the KCC Soft Landscape Team for delivery
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Windsor Close off Sittingbourne Road - drop kerbs pedestrian ramps	
with tactile paving at the junction of Windsor Close with	Handed over for delivery
Sittingbourne Road	

Mr Chittenden has provided funding for an investigation into options for reducing speed and improving road safety along Sittingbourne Road in Maidstone to the Chiltern Hundreds roundabout, including the potential to extend the 30 mph speed limit

### **Jenny Whittle**

Details of Scheme	Status
Chegworth Lane/A20 – HGV sign improvements and provision of HGV gateways. Scheme also includes upgrading the centre island direction signs (works are being undertaken and funded in conjunction with Richard Emmett)	In progress. Design and costing are complete.
East Sutton Parish Church – Salt bin	Handed over to the KCC Operations Team for delivery
Maidstone Road, Headcorn - The entrance to Headcorn Bowling Club is not clearly visible from Maidstone Road and there are issues with drivers accessing and exiting the Club. The road is subject to a 50 mph speed limit. Provision of direction signs and 'Slow' road markings to enhance the presence of the Club	Handed over for delivery

Mrs Whittle has provided funding to allow the continuation of a taxi Service that replaces the withdrawn Wormshill to Sittingbourne Post Bus.

### **Paulina Stockell**

Details of Scheme	Status			
Dean Street - Junction with Heath Road at one end past Forge Lane toward Tovil at the other, extend the existing 30mph speed limit	Handed over for delivery. Road will be closed for two Sundays in addition to week day working. Amey Consulting is arranging the road closures, with works expected to take place in May/June pending approval and media advertising of the closure			
West Street, Hunton - Install 6 verge marker posts in the location as discussed with Donna Rixson and to act as an extension to the three previously installed. To include isolated hedge cutting.	Handed over for delivery.			
Sutton Valence Primary School - Ms Stockell has provided funding for an investigation into the provision of new gate and a proposed new access to the rear of the school, from the PROW.				

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