

North Yorkshire County Council
Business and Environmental Services

Executive Members

25 September 2020

Highways Capital Programme 2021/22 – Additional Surface Treatment Schemes

Report of the Assistant Director – Highways and Transportation

1.0 Purpose of Report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek the Corporate Director, Business and Environmental Services' (BES) agreement in consultation with the BES Executive Members for the:
- a. Inclusion of additional surface treatment schemes in the 2021/22 Highways Capital Programme

2.0 Background

- 2.1 At the meeting of the BES Corporate Director, and Executive Members on the 21st August 2020 the draft Highway Capital Programme was approved. This report noted that that work was ongoing to identify additional surface dressing schemes.
- 2.2 Local area teams were asked to propose further carriageway sites that were suitable for surface treatments in 2021/22 and required minimal if any pre patching or advanced maintenance work ahead of being surface dressed.
- 2.3 The aim of this process ensuring that the proposed expenditure on surface treatments in 2021/22 was closer to the original proposed allocation of £9.9M, than the value of £7.627M contained in the August 2020 draft programme report.

3.0 Revised Surface Treatment Budget

- 3.1 A list of additional surface dressing schemes is included within Appendix A of this report
- 3.2 In total a further 493,000m² of additional dressing sites have been identified by local area teams, with a further 56000m² of dressing sites planned to be carried forward from 2020, where dressing was unable to be completed due to operational issues. The total area of surface dressing now proposed for 2021/22 is 2,487,000 m².
- 3.3 This represents an increase in value of the surface dressing programme from £7.63M to £10.17M and increase of £2.54M, and is £267k over the original budget allocation for SD of £9.9M. Table 1 below summarises these changes;

Table 1 – Summary of changes to Surface Dressing proposals

A. Carriageway Treatment	B. Proposed 2021/22 Allocation /£000	C. Proposed 2021/22* programme value /£000 (presented in Aug 2020)	D. Value of New Schemes Put forward /£000	E. Value of SD schemes moved in to 2021/22 /£000	F. Revised SD 2021/22 programme value /£000
Surface Dressing	9900	7630	2379	161	10170

3.4 In addition to surface dressing as our main carriageway surface treatment, Area 4 have proposed sites for retexturing on the A170 near Thornton le Dale. The scheme cost is £75K. This stretch of carriageway is not suitable for surface dressing whereas retexturing provides a significantly more cost effective solution than carrying out a resurfacing scheme.

3.5 It should be noted that many of the additional dressing sites proposed were planned for dressing in 2022/23 and have been brought forward one year. This may impact on the number of sites for inclusion within the 2022/23 programme. The collection of condition data to help develop the 2022/23 programme is close to completion. This data alongside the outputs of the surface dressing validation exercise will be used to develop the final 2022/23 programme.

4.0 Financial Implications

4.1 The confirmed funding allocation from DfT for 2021/22 has yet to be received. As such it is not possible to say how these added surface dressing schemes will impact on the wider proposed capital programme (approved at the Corporate Director, BES and BES Executive Members meeting held in August 2020).

4.2 Different funding settlements are currently being modelled in order to understand what schemes can be delivered in 2021/22 and what will need to be deferred to 2022/23.

4.3 This will enable the final 2021/22 delivery programme to be confirmed relatively quickly once the final government settlement has been received.

4.4 The contents of this report do not affect the BES Capital Plan.

5.0 Equalities Implications

5.1 An Equality Impact Assessment screening form was included as part of the Capital Programme overall and this found that an Equality Impact Assessment was not required. As these schemes are typical maintenance schemes it is deemed that the original screening form included schemes of this type and that there will be no Equality Implications arising from this recommendation. See Appendix B

6.0 Legal Implications

- 6.1 The County Council as Local Highway Authority has a wide range of statutory duties imposed by a variety of legislation relating to highways and transportation and also has a wide range of duties imposed by legislation in its capacity as Lead Local Flood Authority, Street Authority and Local Traffic Authority, including a duty under s41 of the Highways Act 1980 to maintain highways maintainable at the public expense and a duty under s122 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 to secure the expeditious, convenient and safe movement of vehicular and other traffic (including pedestrians) and the provision of suitable and adequate parking facilities on and off the highway. Under s16 of the Traffic Management Act 2004, the County Council is also required to manage its road network to secure the expeditious movement of traffic in that network.
- 6.2 The proposed capital programme allocations and schemes have been developed and prioritised in line with the County Councils duties and responsibilities under the above and other legislation, including the Transport Act 2000 and the Flood and Water Management Act 2010.

7.0 Recommendation

- 7.1 It is recommended that the BES Corporate Director, in consultation with BES Executive Members agrees the inclusion of the identified surface treatment schemes in to the 2021/22 Highways capital works programme.

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Background Documents: None

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Appendix A -Additional Surface Dressing Schemes to add in to the 2021/22 Capital Programme

Category	District	Address	Town	Scheme Name	Road No	Estimate £	Allocation	Comment
2	Hambleton	Black Horse Lane To Stocking Hill	Swainby	Area 2 Cat 2 Rural Surface Dressing	A172	76,701	LTP	
2	Hambleton	Black Horse Lane To Stocking Hill	Swainby	Area 2 Cat 2 Rural Surface Dressing	A172	56,461	LTP	
2	Hambleton	Stocking Hill	Faceby	Area 2 Cat 2 Rural Surface Dressing	A172	80,645	LTP	
2	Hambleton	Stocking Hill To Little Busby	Carlton-In-Cleveland	Area 2 Cat 2 Rural Surface Dressing	A172	36,508	LTP	
2	Hambleton	Little Busby To Thirsk Road	Great Busby	Area 2 Cat 2 Rural Surface Dressing	A172	65,459	LTP	
2	Hambleton	Little Busby To Thirsk Road	Great Busby	Area 2 Cat 2 Rural Surface Dressing	A172	65,579	LTP	
2	Hambleton	Thirsk Road To Cricket Field Traffic Circus	Stokesley	Area 2 Cat 2 Rural Surface Dressing	A172	83,131	LTP	
2	Craven	Cross Hills Roundabout To County Boundary	Glusburn	Area 5 Cat 2 Rural Surface Dressing	A629	268,177	LTP	
Additional Cat 2 Cway Surface Treatment Sub-Total						£732,660		

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Category	District	Address	Town	Scheme Name	Road No	Estimate £	Allocation	Comment
3a	Hambleton	Ellerbeck To Clack Lane Ends	Ellerbeck	Area 2 Cat 3a Rural Surface Dressing	A684	26,823	LTP	
3a	Hambleton	Pintail Nest To Ellerbeck	Ellerbeck	Area 2 Cat 3a Urban Surface Dressing	A684	46,511	LTP	
3a	Hambleton	Winton To Pintail Nest	Winton	Area 2 Cat 3a Rural Surface Dressing	A684	40,147	LTP	
3a	Hambleton	Hallikeld Parish Boundary To Winton	Winton	Area 2 Cat 3a Rural Surface Dressing	A684	51,266	LTP	
3a	Hambleton	Stokesley Road	Brompton	Area 2 Cat 3a Rural Surface Dressing	A684	63,745	LTP	
3a	Hambleton	Stokesley Road	Brompton	Area 2 Cat 3a Rural Surface Dressing	A684	37,540	LTP	
3a	Hambleton	Stokesley Road	Brompton	Area 2 Cat 3a Rural Surface Dressing	A684	22,269	LTP	
3a	Hambleton	Stokesley Road	Northallerton	Area 2 Cat 3a Rural Surface Dressing	A684	50,628	LTP	
3a	Hambleton	Thirsk Road	Northallerton	Area 2 Cat 3a Rural Surface Dressing	A168	55,250	LTP	
3a	Hambleton	Thirsk Road	Northallerton	Area 2 Cat 3a Rural Surface Dressing	A168	41,253	LTP	
3a	Hambleton	Thirsk Road	Northallerton	Area 2 Cat 3a Rural Surface Dressing	A168	37,586	LTP	
3a	Hambleton	Thirsk Road	Thornton-Le-Beans	Area 2 Cat 3a Rural Surface Dressing	A168	27,077	LTP	
3a	Hambleton	Thirsk Road To Crosby Grange Track	Thornton Le Moor	Area 2 Cat 3a Rural Surface Dressing	A168	23,295	LTP	
3a	Hambleton	Thirsk Road To Crosby Grange Track	Thornton Le Moor	Area 2 Cat 3a Rural Surface Dressing	A168	43,503	LTP	
3a	Hambleton	Crosby Grange Track To Thornton Le Street	Thornton Le Street	Area 2 Cat 3a Rural Surface Dressing	A168	38,389	LTP	
3a	Hambleton	Crosby Grange Track To Thornton Le Street	Thornton Le Street	Area 2 Cat 3a Rural Surface Dressing	A168	32,535	LTP	

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3a	Hambleton	Thornton Le Street To South Kilvington	Thornton Le Street	Area 2 Cat 3a Rural Surface Dressing	A168	28,542	LTP	
3a	Hambleton	Thornton Le Street To South Kilvington	Thornton Le Street	Area 2 Cat 3a Rural Surface Dressing	A168	37,020	LTP	
3a	Ryedale	Malton Road	Malton	Area 4 Cat 3a Rural Surface Dressing	B1257	4,260	LTP	
3a	Selby	Market Weighton Road	Barlby	Area 7 Cat 3a Rural Surface Dressing	A163	23,228	LTP	
3a	Selby	Market Weighton Road	Barlby	Area 7 Cat 3a Rural Surface Dressing	A163	33,195	LTP	
3a	Selby	Market Weighton Road	Barlby	Area 7 Cat 3a Rural Surface Dressing	A163	28,496	LTP	
3a	Selby	Market Weighton Road	Barlby	Area 7 Cat 3a Rural Surface Dressing	A163	53,127	LTP	
3a	Selby	Market Weighton Road W	North Duffield	Area 7 Cat 3a Rural Surface Dressing	A163	12,477	LTP	
3a	Selby	Market Weighton Road W	North Duffield	Area 7 Cat 3a Rural Surface Dressing	A163	31,390	LTP	
Additional Cat 3a Cway Surface Treatment Sub-Total						£889,552		

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Category	District	Address	Town	Scheme Name	Road No	Estimate £	Allocation	Comment
3b	Hambleton	Lime Lane	Kirklington	Area 2 Cat 3b Rural Surface Dressing	B6267	22,894	LTP	
3b	Hambleton	Lime Lane	Kirklington	Area 2 Cat 3b Rural Surface Dressing	B6267	16,945	LTP	
3b	Ryedale	Welham Road	Norton	Area 4 Cat 3b Urban Surface Dressing	C177	8,187	LTP	
3b	Craven	County Boundary To Mill Lane	Low Bentham	Area 5 Cat 3b Rural Surface Dressing	B6480	10,785	LTP	
3b	Craven	County Boundary To Mill Lane	Low Bentham	Area 5 Cat 3b Rural Surface Dressing	B6480	27,713	LTP	
3b	Craven	Holme Lane	Sutton	Area 5 Cat 3b Urban Surface Dressing	C249	14,410	LTP	
3b	Harrogate	Clint Bank	Clint	Area 6 Cat 3b Rural Surface Dressing	C263	8,542	LTP	
3b	Harrogate	Clint Bank	Clint	Area 6 Cat 3b Rural Surface Dressing	C263	19,509	LTP	
3b	Harrogate	Wreaks Road	Birstwith	Area 6 Cat 3b Rural Surface Dressing	U2807	1,004	LTP	
3b	Harrogate	Wreaks Road	Birstwith	Area 6 Cat 3b Urban Surface Dressing	U2807	12,232	LTP	
3b	Harrogate	Clint Bank	Birstwith	Area 6 Cat 3b Rural Surface Dressing	U2807	6,921	LTP	
3b	Harrogate	Clint Bank	Birstwith	Area 6 Cat 3b Rural Surface Dressing	U2807	20,887	LTP	
3b	Harrogate	Thorpe Road	Masham	Area 6 Cat 3b Rural Surface Dressing	C31	15,834	LTP	
3b	Harrogate	Thorpe Road	Masham	Area 6 Cat 3b Rural Surface Dressing	C31	19,826	LTP	
3b	Harrogate	Thorpe Road	Masham	Area 6 Cat 3b Rural Surface Dressing	C31	16,222	LTP	
3b	Harrogate	Cundall To Poplar Hill	Cundall	Area 6 Cat 3b Rural Surface Dressing	C87	28,709	LTP	
3b	Harrogate	Cundall To Poplar Hill	Cundall	Area 6 Cat 3b Rural Surface Dressing	C87	19,539	LTP	

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3b	Harrogate	Cundall To Poplar Hill	Cundall	Area 6 Cat 3b Rural Surface Dressing	C87	29,432	LTP	
3b	Harrogate	Cundall To Poplar Hill	Cundall	Area 6 Cat 3b Rural Surface Dressing	C87	8,312	LTP	
3b	Harrogate	Cundall To Thornton Bridge	Cundall	Area 6 Cat 3b Rural Surface Dressing	C87	17,338	LTP	
3b	Harrogate	Farnham Lane	Ferrensby	Area 6 Cat 3b Rural Surface Dressing	C265	31,449	LTP	
3b	Harrogate	Copgrove Lane	Farnham	Area 6 Cat 3b Rural Surface Dressing	C264	17,001	LTP	
3b	Harrogate	Copgrove Lane	Farnham	Area 6 Cat 3b Rural Surface Dressing	C264	26,248	LTP	
3b	Harrogate	Occaney Lane	Occaney	Area 6 Cat 3b Rural Surface Dressing	C264	24,013	LTP	
3b	Harrogate	Wath Lane	Staveley	Area 6 Cat 3b Rural Surface Dressing	C264	6,480	LTP	
3b	Harrogate	Main Street	Staveley	Area 6 Cat 3b Urban Surface Dressing	C264	14,180	LTP	
3b	Harrogate	Arkendale Road	Staveley	Area 6 Cat 3b Urban Surface Dressing	C266	11,895	LTP	
3b	Harrogate	Arkendale Road	Staveley	Area 6 Cat 3b Rural Surface Dressing	C266	8,314	LTP	
3b	Harrogate	Arkendale Road	Staveley	Area 6 Cat 3b Rural Surface Dressing	C266	18,748	LTP	
3b	Harrogate	Follifoot Road	Spacey Houses	Area 6 Cat 3b Rural Surface Dressing	C260	27,556	LTP	
3b	Harrogate	Pannal Road	Follifoot	Area 6 Cat 3b Rural Surface Dressing	C260	26,031	LTP	
3b	Harrogate	Haggs Road	Harrogate	Area 6 Cat 3b Rural Surface Dressing	C275	21,133	LTP	
Additional Cat 3b Cway Surface Treatment Sub-Total						£558,291		

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4a	Ryedale	Nunnington To Ellerby Bridge	Nunnington	Area 4 Cat 4a Rural Surface Dressing	C97	6,818	LTP	
4a	Ryedale	Terrington To Coneysthorpe Road	Terrington	Area 4 Cat 4a Rural Surface Dressing	C172	11,545	LTP	
4a	Craven	Ireby Road	Burton In Lonsdale	Area 5 Cat 4a Rural Surface Dressing	C380	14,912	LTP	
4a	Craven	Ireby Road	Burton In Lonsdale	Area 5 Cat 4a Rural Surface Dressing	C380	9,979	LTP	
4a	Selby	Road From Riccall To Wheel Hall	Riccall	Area 7 Cat 4a Rural Surface Dressing	C309	14,835	LTP	
4a	Selby	Road From Wheel Hall To Moor Lane	Kelfield	Area 7 Cat 4a Rural Surface Dressing	C309	18,467	LTP	
4a	Selby	Moor Lane To Whinny Lane	Kelfield	Area 7 Cat 4a Rural Surface Dressing	C309	7,436	LTP	
4a	Selby	The Gale To Whinny Lane	Stillingfleet	Area 7 Cat 4a Rural Surface Dressing	C309	4,222	LTP	
4a	Selby	The Gale To Whinny Lane	Stillingfleet	Area 7 Cat 4a Rural Surface Dressing	C309	11,876	LTP	
4a	Selby	Kelfield To Mount Pleasant	Kelfield	Area 7 Cat 4a Rural Surface Dressing	C310	21,445	LTP	
4a	Selby	Main Street	Kelfield	Area 7 Cat 4a Urban Surface Dressing	C310	9,079	LTP	
4a	Selby	Riccall Lane	Kelfield	Area 7 Cat 4a Rural Surface Dressing	C310	16,560	LTP	
4a	Selby	Kelfield Lane	Kelfield	Area 7 Cat 4a Rural Surface Dressing	C310	8,898	LTP	
Additional Cat 4a Cway Surface Treatment Sub-Total						£156,072		

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4b	Craven	Mill Hill Lane	Giggleswick	Area 5 Cat 4b Rural Surface Dressing	U1895	12,803	LTP	
4b	Craven	Town Head	Settle	Area 5 Cat 4b Urban Surface Dressing	U1963	4,294	LTP	
4b	Craven	Town Head Way	Settle	Area 5 Cat 4b Urban Surface Dressing	U1964	3,391	LTP	
4b	Craven	Townhead Croft	Settle	Area 5 Cat 4b Urban Surface Dressing	U1964	750	LTP	
4b	Craven	Town Head Avenue	Settle	Area 5 Cat 4b Urban Surface Dressing	U1965	2,269	LTP	
4b	Craven	Brunton Road	Lawkland	Area 5 Cat 4b Rural Surface Dressing	U738	597	LTP	
4b	Craven	Kiln Hill Lane	Lawkland	Area 5 Cat 4b Rural Surface Dressing	U738	11,437	LTP	
4b	Craven	Brunton Road	Lawkland	Area 5 Cat 4b Rural Surface Dressing	U740	10,094	LTP	
4b	Craven	Kiln Hill Lane	Lawkland	Area 5 Cat 4b Rural Surface Dressing	U740	13,029	LTP	
4b	Selby	Morrets Lane	Hambleton	Area 7 Cat 4b Rural Surface Dressing	U1050	5,919	LTP	
4b	Selby	Morton Lane	Hambleton	Area 7 Cat 4b Rural Surface Dressing	U1060	9,360	LTP	
Additional Cat 4b Cway Surface Treatment Sub-Total						£73, 943		

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Category	District	Address	Town	Scheme Name	Road No	Estimate £	Allocation	Comment
4a	Scarborough	Church Street	Whitby	Area 3 Cat 4a Urban Surface Dressing	U10	13,082	LTP	Scheme moved from 20/21 programme
4a	Scarborough	Downdale Road	Staintondale	Area 3 Cat 4a Rural Surface Dressing	C77	21,954	LTP	Scheme moved from 20/21 programme
4b	Scarborough	Foreshore Road	Scarborough	Area 3 Cat 4b Urban Surface Dressing	U734	1,437	LTP	Scheme moved from 20/21 programme
4b	Scarborough	Glen Esk To Cock Mill	Ruswarp	Area 3 Cat 4b Rural Surface Dressing	U2340	11,640	LTP	Scheme moved from 20/21 programme
4b	Ryedale	Main Street	Welburn	Area 4 Cat 4b Rural Surface Dressing	C91	14,929	LTP	Scheme moved from 20/21 programme
4b	Ryedale	Main Street	Welburn	Area 4 Cat 4b Rural Surface Dressing	C91	10,093	LTP	Scheme moved from 20/21 programme
4b	Ryedale	Road From Welburn To Welburn Business Park	Welburn	Area 4 Cat 4b Rural Surface Dressing	C91	13,218	LTP	Scheme moved from 20/21 programme
4b	Ryedale	Barton Hill To The Belt	Whitwell On The Hill	Area 4 Cat 4b Rural Surface Dressing	C61	11,110	LTP	Scheme moved from 20/21 programme
4b	Ryedale	Barton Hill To The Belt	Whitwell On The Hill	Area 4 Cat 4b Rural Surface Dressing	C61	11,578	LTP	Scheme moved from 20/21 programme
4b	Ryedale	Mains Lane	Whitwell On The Hill	Area 4 Cat 4b Rural Surface Dressing	C61	12,291	LTP	Scheme moved from 20/21 programme
4b	Ryedale	Mains Lane	Whitwell On The Hill	Area 4 Cat 4b Rural Surface Dressing	C61	6,733	LTP	Scheme moved from 20/21 programme
4b	Ryedale	Riccal Drive	Helmsley	Area 4 Cat 4a Urban Surface Dressing	U554	6,801	LTP	Scheme moved from 20/21 programme
4b	Ryedale	The Limes	Helmsley	Area 4 Cat 4b Urban Surface Dressing	U557	5,259	LTP	Scheme moved from 20/21 programme
4b	Ryedale	Con Owl Close	Helmsley	Area 4 Cat 4b Urban Surface Dressing	U556	1,308	LTP	Scheme moved from 20/21 programme
4b	Ryedale	Allenby Road	Helmsley	Area 4 Cat 4b Urban Surface Dressing	U660	1,243	LTP	Scheme moved from 20/21 programme

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4a	Ryedale	TERRINGTON TO CONEYSTHORPE ROAD	Terrington	Area 4 Cat 4a Rural Surface Dressing	C172	11,545	LTP	Scheme moved from 20/21 programme
Schemes moved in to 2021/22 programme from 2020/21						£161,040		

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2	Ryedale	A170 Thornton Le Dale	Thornton le Dale	Area 4 Cat2 Surface Reteturing	A170	75,000	LTP	

Initial equality impact assessment screening form

(As of October 2015 this form replaces 'Record of decision not to carry out an EIA')

This form records an equality screening process to determine the relevance of equality to a proposal, and a decision whether or not a full EIA would be appropriate or proportionate.

Directorate	Business and Environmental Services		
Service area	Highways and Transportation		
Proposal being screened	Agree additional schemes for inclusion within the 2021/22 Capital Programme of Highway Works		
Officer(s) carrying out screening	James Gilroy		
What are you proposing to do?	Deliver a programme of highways capital works.		
Why are you proposing this? What are the desired outcomes?	To maintain, and where appropriate, improve the highway asset infrastructure and to comply with the County Councils duties and responsibilities under the relevant legislation (as detailed in the Report).		
Does the proposal involve a significant commitment or removal of resources? Please give details.	The commitment is to add a further £2.45m of schemes to the highway capital works programme and to monitor and manage the budget and works programme accordingly within the limits of the existing BES Capital Plan.		
<p>Is there likely to be an adverse impact on people with any of the following protected characteristics as defined by the Equality Act 2010, or NYCC's additional agreed characteristics?</p> <p>As part of this assessment, please consider the following questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To what extent is this service used by particular groups of people with protected characteristics? • Does the proposal relate to functions that previous consultation has identified as important? • Do different groups have different needs or experiences in the area the proposal relates to? <p>If for any characteristic it is considered that there is likely to be a significant adverse impact or you have ticked 'Don't know/no info available', then a full EIA should be carried out where this is proportionate. You are advised to speak to your Equality rep for advice if you are in any doubt.</p>			
Protected characteristic	Yes	No	Don't know/No info available
Age		✓	
Disability		✓	
Sex (Gender)		✓	
Race		✓	
Sexual orientation		✓	

Gender reassignment		✓	
Religion or belief		✓	
Pregnancy or maternity		✓	
Marriage or civil partnership		✓	
NYCC additional characteristic			
People in rural areas		✓	
People on a low income		✓	
Carer (unpaid family or friend)		✓	
Does the proposal relate to an area where there are known inequalities/probable impacts (e.g. disabled people's access to public transport)? Please give details.	Yes. Physical accessibility of the highway network for people with mobility difficulties.		
Will the proposal have a significant effect on how other organisations operate? (E.g. partners, funding criteria, etc.). Do any of these organisations support people with protected characteristics? Please explain why you have reached this conclusion.	No. Highway Capital Maintenance is a specific annual programme of works which doesn't rely on the activities of other organisations.		
Decision (Please tick one option)	EIA not relevant or proportionate:	✓	Continue to full EIA:
Reason for decision	The allocation of funding is based on the "Manage, Maintain and Improve" (MMI) hierarchy set out in Local Transport Plan 4, which has been the subject of an Equality Impact Assessment (EIA). This concluded that the introduction of fewer improvement schemes may have a greater impact on people with mobility difficulties or without access to a private vehicle as there will be fewer new facilities provided e.g. pedestrian crossings, dropped kerbs, bus stop accessibility improvements; however, it is also considered that prioritising maintenance, particularly for footways, through the MMI hierarchy is likely to produce a net benefit for people with the same protected characteristics; particularly in terms of age and disability.		
Signed (Assistant Director or equivalent)	Barrie Mason		
Date	14/09/20		