

TUNBRIDGE WELLS JOINT TRANSPORTATION BOARD TRACKER
Updated for 19 October 2015 Meeting

	Location/Subject	Issues/Proposals	Latest position	Officer
1	Crescent Road - Central crossing refuge	Feasibility of refuge provision investigation	<p>Funding has been secured from KCC's LTP Integrated Transport Programme to design this to consultation stage. As per the previous tracker there remain some technical difficulties exist such as the relocation of the active car park sign and some minor kerbing works.</p> <p>Design works should commence in the next financial year (2016/17). Construction will be dependent on many factors and may run into the following year.</p>	Steven Noad
2	<p>St. John's Road Proposal changed from: extension of southbound bus lane and northbound cycleway to: Improvements to the footway and the northbound bus stop and cycle lane alongside the recent developments opposite the bus garage and St John's Church</p>	Design work progressed, supporting developer S106 funding	<p>As a result of work starting on the North Farm scheme and a commitment to minimise impact on the road network, KCC Lane Rental team placed an embargo on road works on strategic routes through Tunbridge Wells including the A26 until the summer of 2015.</p> <p>Since plans to construct this scheme during the summer holidays were finalised, the A26 capacity improvement works funded by the Local Growth Fund have resulted in a study currently being undertaken to understand the existing traffic demands and consider options for improvement schemes. Therefore this proposal has been put on hold in order to explore whole-route plans for cycling, walking and highway improvements that may achieve more than this scheme does in isolation. Postponing the scheme will remove the possibility of an improvement being undertaken now that could be superseded in a year's time. KCC and TWBC are liaising with TWBUG and other key stakeholders, and the results of the study work will be brought to a future JTB meeting for discussion. The S106 funding for this scheme will be used in this location as part of the whole-route scheme improvements.</p> <p>This study work will result in schemes being implemented during the next financial year (2016-17).</p>	Vicki Hubert

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3	Longfield Road & North Farm Industrial/Retail Park	Ongoing issues related to congestion and recent developments	<p>The main construction of the new gyratory system at Great Lodge is almost complete with kerbing installed and work has started on the installation of the new pedestrian crossing. The retaining wall is constructed and high level kerbs installed outside BMW plus the installation of the new central island from Great Lodge to Dowding Way. Three separate visits are being undertaken during September to carry out night time surfacing works between Dowding Way and the A21. CCTV infrastructure will be available for Chroma Vision from 28th September.</p> <p>Morning and evening peak congestion is still present (mainly on the approach to the A21). The A21 project has installed a heavy plant crossing near the Longfield roundabout to enable to the relocation of earth across their site. No impacts have been reported as yet.</p> <p>A public exhibition was held on 7th July which attracted a few people but weather conditions weren't ideal and possibly had an effect on numbers.</p> <p>Liaison with residents and stakeholders remains positive with very few complaints and also a number of compliments being received. Ongoing liaison between the Project Team and the A21 team is continuing and information shared accordingly.</p> <p>Whilst there is still a lot of ancillary work to do, we are aiming to have the scheme substantially completed by the end of September. Work in October will generally be of a minor nature apart from some finishing works to the Knights Park roundabout surfacing. This will require an additional visit by the night time surfacing team in early October.</p>	Andy Moreton

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4	Borough Transportation Strategy	Progress on Borough Transportation Strategy	KCC is undertaking further technical work to support the Transport Strategy and future bids for Local Growth Funding for the A26 and A264. Following completion of this work in December 2015, the Strategy will be taken to KCC Cabinet Committee in April 2016.	David Candlin
5	Grass verges on King George V Hill	Verge damage due to cars parking on the verges	A joint scheme by KCC and Tunbridge Wells, works commenced 28th September 2015.	KCC
6	Street Lighting Review	A review of the street column switch off	Full review underway of the switch off sites within the districts. A report detailing the proposals will be presented at the next JTB.	KCC
7	Street Light LED Conversion Project	Progress on the project	Report on agenda An update report will be presented at the next JTB which will provide further detail on the progress of each work stream.	Robert Clark
8	Grosvenor Bridge Repairs	Schedule of repairs for Grosvenor Bridge, Tunbridge Wells	Grosvenor Bridge adjacent to Quarry Road, Tunbridge Wells requires the reconstruction of two piers. The work is scheduled to commence on 4th Jan 2016 and will necessitate the closure of Grosvenor Bridge for up to 4 months. Some advance works underneath the bridge may start in December 2015. See: 'Highway Works Programme – Appendix F – Bridge Works' for further details.	Tony Ambrose

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9	Petition to install pedestrian crossings in Major York's Road and Langton Road	A petition was submitted to KCC, via the JTB, requesting the installation of pedestrian crossings on Major York's Road and Langton Road.	<p>Funding has been secured from KCC's LTP Integrated Transport Programme to design this to consultation stage. As per the previous tracker there remain some technical difficulties exist such as the relocation of the active car park sign and some minor kerbing works.</p> <p>Initial work will be to ascertain if Targetfollow & The Tunbridge Wells Commons Conservators are prepared to release land for the road widening on Langton Road and for construction of footway links on Major York's Road.</p>	Steven Noad
10	Carr's Corner (junc. Crescent Rd/Calverley Road/Lansdowne Road)	The Town Forum has asked that it be able to provide its views to KCC.	Based upon the views of the Town Forum a revised signage and lining plan will be prepared and works ordered.	Steven Noad
11	A26 London Road junction Yew Tree Road Southborough	LGF funded scheme to reduce congestion on the A26 corridor	<p>Funding has been secured from The Local Growth Fund to identify and address peak time delays on the A26. The scheme is being carried out in two phases. Phase 1 involved detailed analysis of peak time congestion at the Yew Tree Road and Speldhurst Road junctions with the A26 in Southborough. Detail design work is currently ongoing to provide upgraded traffic signal equipment at both junctions with an expected construction start date in January 2016. Phase 2 of this scheme is currently being carried out to model and analyse possible improvements the junction of Grosvenor Road and St Johns Road and Neville Street junction with London Road in Tunbridge Wells</p>	Darren Hickman