

TUNBRIDGE WELLS JOINT TRANSPORTATION BOARD TRACKER
Updated for 9 January 2017 Meeting

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1	Grosvenor Bridge Tunbridge Wells	Repairs	Repair works to Grosvenor Bridge No.1995 – demolition and reconstruction of concrete piers for safety critical work. KCC now planning to add other planned repairs into one construction phase and road closure from January 2017. Includes bridge waterproofing, joints, road and footpath surfacing. Appendix A - Start of Works Notice	<i>Kevin Gore</i>
2	A21 and Capel Parish Council	Update on A21 works and notice of request from Capel Parish Council	Appendix B – Letter from Capel Parish Council Appendix C – Response from Kent County Council	
3	Pedestrian crossing: Major York's Road	Scheme to be put forward as LTF bid in 2017/18	Appendix D – Letter to Councillor Balfour Appendix E – Response from Councillor Balfour	
4	Speeding on London Road	Speed survey requested	Awaiting results of speed survey	

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5	LGF Underspend	Proposals utilising underspend of LGF funded works at A26/Yew Tree Road/ Speldhurst Road junction	<p>In 2014, the Growth Deal allocated funding of £1.8m to the delivery of the Tunbridge Wells LGF scheme at the Yew Tree Road/Speldhurst Road/A26 junction in Tunbridge Wells. This scheme was delivered in March 2016 at a cost of £600k, resulting in an underspend of £1.2m. It is hoped that the remaining £1.2m can be spent on congestion alleviating schemes in the town.</p> <p>Several schemes have been investigated including the Halls Hole Road junction improvement scheme, which has had to be ruled out as the total cost comes to approximately £2.6m which exceeds the LGF underspend. Other scheme investigated were:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Improvements to the Royal Oak junction; 2. The introduction of Urban Traffic Management and Control (UTMC); 3. The completion of a cycle route from Woodsgate Corner to join the new A21 NMU route to Tonbridge town centre; 4. The installation of an on-road cycle route between Tunbridge Wells town centre and Tonbridge, along the A26. <p>Items 1) has been assessed with the aim of removing the all-red pedestrian phase. However, pedestrian flows are significant through the junction, and should be encouraged, so splitter islands would be required to allow traffic to flow in one direction as pedestrians cross half way. This has a negative effect on the capacity of the junction, and for this reason, this junction will remain as it is.</p> <p>Item 2) has been ruled out as assessments have shown there would be no real likely benefit to traffic flows because of the limited number of sites, widely distributed nature of the signals, and pedestrian facilities at the crossings.</p> <p>Item 3) is to be funded by Highways England and constructed next financial year by KCC.</p> <p>Item 4) is therefore the primary contender for this funding and early indications are that the underspend can be secured for delivery of this route next financial year.</p>	<i>Vicki Hubert</i>