

**To:** Tunbridge Wells Joint Transportation Board  
**By:** KCC Highways, Transportation & Waste  
**Date:** 19<sup>th</sup> April 2021  
**Subject:** Highway Forward Works Programme – 2020/21 onwards  
**Classification:** Information Only

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Summary: This report updates Members on the identified schemes approved for construction

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## 1. Introduction

This report provides an update and summarises schemes that have been programmed for delivery in 2020/21.

Kent County Council has agreed a substantial increase in the budget for planned highway works over the next three years, and as a result we are still in the process of identifying and designing schemes for inclusion in our full Year One to Two (2019/20 and 2020/21) and Year Three to Five (2021/22 to 2023/24) programmes. Because of this, we have decided to publish an interim programme, and to publish the full programmes later this year. For some assets this interim programme covers approximately the first six months of 2019/20, whilst for others it includes most of the works planned for the whole year.

This programme is subject to regular review and may change for a number of reasons including budget allocation, contract rate changes, and to reflect KCC's changing priorities. The programme and extent of individual sites within the programme may also be revised following engineering assessment during the design phase.

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## Conclusion

1. This report is for Members' information.

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## **Appendix A – Road, Footway and Cycleway Renewal and Preservation Scheme**

The delivery of these schemes is weather dependent; should it prove not possible to carry out these works on the planned dates, new dates will be arranged, and the residents will be informed by a letter drop to their homes.

<b>Machine Resurfacing – Contact Officer Mr Byron Lovell</b>			
<b>Road Name</b>	<b>Parish</b>	<b>Extent of Works</b>	<b>Current Status</b>
Forest Road	Tunbridge Wells	Between Dorset Road and Boundary Road	Completed
Tonbridge Road	Pembury	From the A228 to just north of the Hospital Turning	Completed
Crescent Road	Tunbridge Wells	From Mount Pleasant Road to Calverley Road	Completed
A229 Highgate Hill	Hawkhurst	Talbot Road to A268 Rye Road	To be programmed Spring 2021
A262 Spelmonden Road	Goudhurst	Junction with Spelmonden Lane	To be programmed Summer 2021
Mount Pleasant	Tun Wells	From Crescent Road to south side of Grove Hill Road Roundabout	To be programmed Summer 2021
Angerly Road	Cranbrook	Retexturing From Sheafe Drive to just past Whitewell Lane	To be programmed Summer 2021
A262 Goudhurst Road	Lamberhurst	Retexturing From the A21 Junction to Horsmonden Road	To be programmed Summer 2021
A262 Station Road	Goudhurst	Retexturing From Blue Coat Lane to Bridge	To be programmed Summer 2021
<b>Surface Treatments – Contact Officer Mr Jonathan Dean</b>			
<b>Micro Surfacing</b>			
<b>Road Name</b>	<b>Parish</b>	<b>Extent of Works</b>	<b>Current Status</b>

Bidborough Ridge	Bidborough	A26 London Road to Mill Court (Micro Surfacing)	Complete
Etherington Hill	Speldhurst	Lower Green Road to Gateway (Micro Surfacing)	Complete
Yew Tree Road	Southborough	From A26 to North Farm Road (Not including one way loop) (Micro Surfacing)	Complete
Powder Mill Lane	Southborough	From A26 to Yew Tree Road (Micro Surfacing)	Complete
Broomhill Road	Rusthall	From Speldhurst Road to Lower Green Road (Micro Surfacing)	Complete
Tudeley Road	Tudeley, Tonbridge	Somer hill School to Woodgate Roundabout (Micro Surfacing)	Complete
Petteridge Lane	Matfield and Brenchley	From Brenchley Road to Cyrals Road (Micro Surfacing)	Complete
Maidstone Road	Paddock Wood	From Badsell Road to Station Road (Micro Surfacing)	Complete
Water Lane	Hawkhurst	Attwaters Lane to A268 Rye Road (Micro Surfacing)	Partially Complete
North Road	Goudhurst	Ballards Hill to Chequers Road (Micro Surfacing)	Complete
Rusthall Road	Rusthall	From Coach Road to Dingly Dell (A264) (Micro Surfacing)	Complete
Dundale Road	Lamberhurst	From Bridge near curling rink to Gate TP approx. 750m from A21 (Micro Surfacing)	Complete
Constitutional Hill Road (Inc Church Road)	Southborough	Inc Church Road from A26 to Holden Pond (Micro Surfacing)	Complete
Stonewall Park Road	Rusthall	Langholm Road to End (Micro Surfacing)	Complete
Forest Road	Royal Tunbridge Wells	From Camden Road to Beech Close (The Spread Eagle) (Leave HFS) (Micro Surfacing)	CANCELLED Moved to Machine Resurfacing
Bayhall Road	Royal Tunbridge Wells	From A264 Pembury Road to Halls Hole Road	Complete (Some lining works remains)
Hastings Road	Pembury	Lower Green Road to A21 (Micro Surfacing)	Complete

Horns Road	Hawkhurst	Delmonden Lane to Avardis Close (Surface Dressing)	Complete
Stepneyford Lane	Cranbrook / Benenden	Little Maplesden to Colebrook farm (Halden Lane) (Road Recycling)	Complete
Brick Kiln Lane	Horsmonden	Rectory Park Road to Spelmonden Road (Road Recycling)	Complete
<b>Footway Improvement - Contact Officer Mr Neil Tree</b>			
St. Johns Road	Tunbridge Wells	Eastern side only between the junctions of East Cliff Road and New England Road. (Footway reconstruction of Red Brick Footway)	Completed
Hopwood Gardens	Tunbridge Wells	Entire Length (Footway reconstruction of Red Brick Footway)	Designed to be progressed (consultation to be undertaken in 2021/2022).
Southwood Road	Rusthall	Various sections between Tuxford Road and Bowen Road (Footway Reconstruction)	Designed but postponed. Works being re-programmed to commence in 2021/2022
Erskine Park Road	Rusthall	Entire Length (Footway Reconstruction)	Designed and to be programmed.
Bowen Road	Rusthall	Entire Length (Footway Reconstruction)	Designed but postponed. Works being re-programmed to commence in 2021/2022

## Appendix B – Drainage Repairs & Improvements

<b>Drainage Repairs &amp; Improvements - <i>Contact Officer Earl Bourner</i></b>			
<b>Road Name</b>	<b>Parish</b>	<b>Description of Works</b>	<b>Current Status</b>
Longfield Road,	Tunbridge Wells	Drainage improvement on the roundabouts. Like for Like repair of existing drainage together with additional gullies at low points to reduce ponding of water	Works completed
Bakers Cross	Cranbrook	A CCTV survey has been completed. Several pipework repairs are required.	In progress on site to complete Mid-March 2021
Maidstone Road	Matfield	Drainage Improvement scheme to resolve flooding issues with the area between A21 and Kings Toll Road. Additional gullies, pipework repairs and culvert replacement adjacent to highway.	Works completed early March 2021
Frittenden Road	Sissinghurst	Drainage Improvements	Under further investigation
Tunbridge Wells Common	Tunbridge Wells	Flood Risk Management Team lead project to work with the conservators of the commons to manage surface water run-off within the area	Project on hold as proposals not viable
Major Yorks Road	Tunbridge Wells	Drainage scheme for repair / replacement of existing highway drainage	Outline design now completed in liaison with commons conservators. Next step to progress to a detailed 'for construction' design
Five Oak Green Road	Five Oak Green	Full survey of system from Church Lane to Sychem Lane, Further works are on the system to complete work from Sychem Lane to Badsell Road	Part Completed
The Slade	Lamberhurst	Drainage improvement works to stop properties from flooding	Works Completed

Bird in Hand Street	Groombridge	Drainage repair works to stop water coming through the CW	Works starts on 03/03/2021
Crook Street	Benchley	Drainage improvement works to reduce flood risk to properties from Flooding	Works completed 02/03/2021
Bedgebury Road	Goudhurst	Drainage improvement works to reduce flood risk to carriageway and properties from flooding	Works start 15/03/2021
Holden Road	Southborough	Drainage repair works to fix broken / collapsed pipe	Works to be programmed
Cherryfields	Benenden	Drainage repair works to fix broken / collapsed pipe	Works to be programmed
Hawkenbury Road	Tunbridge Wells	Drainage works to fix broken / collapsed pipe	Works to be programmed

## **Appendix C – Street Lighting**

Structural testing of KCC owned assets has identified the following as requiring replacement. The current status is based on the anticipated completion date but may be subject to change.

<b>Street Lighting Column Replacement – <i>Contact Officer: Sue Kinsella</i></b>			
<b>Road Name</b>	<b>Parish</b>	<b>Description of Works</b>	<b>Current Status</b>
Hastings Road	Pembury	Replacement of 2 columns	One completed – access issues due to vegetation with the remaining
Rusthall High Street	Rusthall	Replacement of 4 columns	3 Completed – 1 outstanding
Sandhurst Road	Tunbridge Wells	Replacement of 4 columns	3 Completed 1 remaining – issues obtaining permit
Bayham Road	Tunbridge Wells	Replacement of 1 column	March 2021
Forest Road	Tunbridge Wells	Replacement of 5 columns	4 complete, 1 remaining
Rodmell Road	Tunbridge Wells	Replacement of 1 column	April 2021
Cranwell Road	Rusthall	Replacement of 1 column	Complete
Maidstone Road	Paddock Wood	Replacement of 1 column	Waiting to be programmed
Pembury Northern Bypass	Pembury	Replacement of 2 columns	To be programmed – vegetation cut back required which is waiting on a high-speed road closure
Goddards Green Road	Benenden & Cranbrook	Replacement of 3 Columns	March 2021
Lansdowne Road	Tunbridge Wells	Replacement of 1 Column	March 2021
Green Lane	Benenden & Cranbrook	Replacement of 2 Columns	To be completed with cable fault investigation March/April



## **Appendix D – Transportation and Safety Schemes**

### **Casualty Reduction Measures**

The Schemes Planning & Delivery team is implementing schemes within Tunbridge Wells Borough, in order to meet Kent County Council's (KCC) strategic targets (for example, addressing traffic congestion or improving road safety). Casualty reduction measures have been identified to address a known history of personal injury crashes. Current status correct as of 15<sup>th</sup> March 2021.

<b>Local Transport Plan funded schemes – Contact Officer: Christopher Koningen</b>		
<b>Road Name</b>	<b>Description of Works</b>	<b>Current Status</b>
<b>Casualty reduction measures (reactive) – Tunbridge Wells</b>		
A262/B2162	Signing / lining Improvements	Works complete
<b>LTP Schemes - Tunbridge Wells</b>		
Carrs Corner	Junction improvements to provide pedestrian friendly measures	On hold due to COVID-19 (resource and survey delays)
A26 London Road	Installation of a zebra crossing	Construction in progress
Lamberhurst	Signing / lining improvements to traffic calming buildouts throughout village	Works complete on site. Remedial measures being investigated following customer enquiries
Royal Oak (A264 Pembury Road junction)	Junction improvements to provide greater capacity	On hold due to COVID-19 (resource and survey delays)

### **Externally Funded Schemes**

The Schemes Planning & Delivery team is implementing schemes within the borough of Tunbridge Wells funded by external corporations whilst still meeting KCC's strategic targets with the road network.

<b>Externally Funded Schemes – Contact Officer: Jamie Watson</b>			
<b>Road Name</b>	<b>Description of Works</b>	<b>Source of Funding</b>	<b>Current Status</b>
Tunbridge Wells Public Realm Works	Improvement works to the public realm	Tunbridge Wells Borough Council	All works are complete

### **Local Growth Fund**

#### **Local Growth Fund programme update for Tunbridge Wells Borough**

The Department for Transport (DfT) added £100m to the Local Growth Fund (LGF) pot in order to fund Local Sustainable Transport Fund Style schemes. KCC subsequently submitted four Local Sustainable Transport Fund (LSTF) capital bids 1) East Kent – A network for Growth, 2) Kent

Thameside – Integrated door-to-door journeys and 3) West Kent – Tackling Congestion. The fourth was for Tonbridge Town Centre Regeneration, which included a highway improvements scheme in the Lower High Street as well as additional LSTF style measures. The objective of all of the capital bids is to boost economic growth by decreasing carbon emissions and reducing congestion.

The Kent Thameside, West Kent and Tonbridge Town Centre Regeneration bids were all successful. The schemes aim to:

- improve access to employment and services
- reduce the need to travel by the private car
- enhance pedestrian, cycle and public transport facilities
- improve sustainable transport connections

The following schemes have been submitted as part of the successful Kent Thameside LSTF this financial year.

<b>Scheme</b>	<b>Status</b>
A26 Cycleway	On hold subject to conversations with TWBC and SELEP about the development of the scheme

## Appendix E – Developer Funded Works

<b>Developer Funded Works (Section 278), Contact Officer: JAMES PRONGER</b>				
<b>Ref.</b>	<b>Scheme location</b>	<b>Parish</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Current status</b>
TW002038	Gibbet Lane	Horsmonden	New footway and junction to Gibbet Lane	Completion certificate issued. Remedial works notified
TW003019	Benhall Mill Road	Tunbridge Wells	Two new bell-mouth access points into new development off north east side of Benhall Mill Road.	East Sussex leading on the S278 Agreement
TW003447	Hornbeam Avenue	Southborough	New bellmouth access for small residential development	Initial design submitted
TW003049	Hawkhurst Castle, Cranbrook Road	Hawkhurst	Realignment of Heartenoak Road junction with Cranbrook Road	Solicitors instructed. Design in progress. TWBC planning now involved and contacting developer works due spring / Summer 2021
TW003053	Dowding Way	Tunbridge Wells	Reshaping existing garage access with associated works to carriageway and footway	Completion Certificate issued. Maintenance period now started
TW003054	Knights Wood Phase 1A	Tunbridge Wells	Creation of links from the existing Knights Way into the proposed Knights Wood development which is significantly under way.	Agreement signed
TW003056	Greggs Wood Road Phase 4	Tunbridge Wells	New bell-mouth access into development	Works complete, cert 1 issued Maintenance period now started
TW003445	Brick Kiln phase 2	Cranbrook	New access junction for significant residential development	Initial submission
TW003061	Burslem Road	Tunbridge Wells	New vehicle crossovers from Burslem Road & Greggs Wood Road to permit access to new development	Work complete; Cert 1 issued Maintenance period underway
TW003065	Birchfield, Rye Road	Hawkhurst	New bell-mouth access into new housing development and adjustment of speed limit terminal point eastwards.	Agreement signed. Works ongoing
TW003069	Mascalls Court Farm, Green Lane	Paddock Wood	New bell-mouth access for new development	Agreement signed. Works partially complete, further works to widen bellmouth

				not yet complete resurfacing and traffic calming
TW003444	Tibbs Court Farm	Brenchley	New bell-mouth access for new development	Agreement signed works imminent
TW003083	Lillesden House, Hastings Road	Hawkhurst	Improvements to existing access and new southern access	Awaiting revised design submission TWBC planning contacting developer
TW003101	Knights Wood, Phase 1A	Tunbridge Wells	Junction changes and bus stop improvements	Technical approval, agreement awaiting signing
TW003102	Former Dairy Crest depot, St Johns Road	Tunbridge Wells	New access to housing development, footway works and bus stop	Agreement signed, works partially complete
TW003107	Home Farm, Penshurst Road	Bidborough	New bell-mouth access into Home Farm development	Works carried out maintenance period due
TW003114	Merevale House, London Road	Tunbridge Wells	New access from London Road plus footway works	Works significantly done small amount left
TW003116	Forest Road, Hawkenbury	Tunbridge Wells	Highway improvements to include:  Kerb realignment; Junction improvements; New refuge/island in Forest Way;  Speed limit reduction; Better pedestrian facilities.	Works Completed. Remedial works notified
TW003122	Longfield Road	Tunbridge Wells	New vehicle access into Travis Perkin	Cert 1 issued; in maintenance period
TW003123	Union House, Eridge Road & Linden Park Road	Tunbridge Wells	Highway works associated with development	Work significantly underway
TW003124	Common Road, Sissinghurst	Cranbrook & Sissinghurst	New crossing points associated with the build of 62 new dwellings	Works completed awaiting road safety audit report remedial work to be done
TW003125	Benenden School	Benenden	Signing and lining traffic calming measures	Partially complete
TW003125A	Benenden School	Benenden	School access and footway works	Works substantially complete

TW003126	Hawkenbury	Tunbridge Wells	Various junction improvements to Maryland Road, Hawkenbury Road & Forest Road	Works substantially complete
TW003127	Pinewood Gardens	Southborough	New bell-mouth access and footway alterations	Substantially complete remedials due
TW003439	Henwood Green Road	Pembury	New bell-mouth access into development	Awaiting signing of legal agreement
TW003133	Goods Station Road	Tunbridge Wells	Convert builders' yard to new housing with accesses and footway	Maintenance period underway works complete
TW003187	Heartenoak Road	Hawkhurst	62 house development involving footway works, provision of bellmouth and passing places	Works nearly completed
TW003231	The Foundry, Maidstone Road	Horsmonden	17 house development requiring provision of new bellmouth	Works completed maintenance under way
TW003232	Maidstone Road, Matfield	Paddock Wood	20 house development requiring provision of new bellmouth and bus stop improvements	Works underway substantially complete
TW003245	Turnden	Cranbrook	36 house development requiring provision of new bellmouth and footway	Letter of agreement signed works underway
TW003246	Badsell Road	Paddock Wood	Large housing development requiring new bellmouth, road widening, pedestrian crossing and footway works	Works underway
TW003438	Coppers Lane	Matfield	New bell-mouth access into development	Initial design being reviewed
TW003393	Old Kent Road Paddock Wood	Paddock Wood	New bellmouth for access to small housing development	Maintenance period underway
TW003365	Common Road Sissinghurst	Cranbrook and Sissinghurst	Additional footway linking development to bus stop	Works undertaken maintenance period underway

TW003386	A26 Southborough Tunbridge Wells	Tunbridge Wells	New Toucan crossing in association with Southborough Hub	Works complete road safety audit due
TW003352	Flagstones Hartley Road Cranbrook	Cranbrook and Sissinghurst	New Bellmouth for small housing development	Works under way
TW003347	Frant Road Tunbridge Wells	Tunbridge Wells	Bellmouth improvements for housing development	Design approved works due 2021
TW003274	Tunnel Avenue Tunbridge Wells	Tunbridge Wells	Small bellmouth improvements for building conversion	Design submitted awaiting approval
TW003308	Walkhurst Road Benenden	Benenden	New bellmouth for access to 12 x properties	Works completed maintenance underway
TW00132	A264 Pembury Road Tunbridge Wells (Beechwood School)	Tunbridge Wells	New bellmouth entrance in to care home	Design submitted awaiting approval
TW003434 and TW003435	Church Road Paddock Wood	Paddock Wood	New Bellmouth and road widening for new housing development and associated traffic calming measures	Works due early 2021
TW003412	Highgate Hill	Hawkhurst	New bell-mouth access into retirement development	Works due 2021
TW003441	Turnden phase 2	Cranbrook	New Bellmouth for housing development and associated traffic calming measures	Initial design submitted

**Appendix F – Bridge Works**

<b>Bridge Works – Contact Officer: Earl Bourner</b>			
<b>Road Name</b>	<b>Parish</b>	<b>Description of Works</b>	<b>Current Status</b>
No works planned			

## **Appendix G – Traffic Systems**

There is a programme of scheduled maintenance to refurbish life expired traffic signal equipment across the county based upon age and fault history. The delivery of these schemes is dependent upon school terms and holiday periods; local residents, businesses and schools will be informed verbally and by a letter drop of the exact dates when known.

<b>Traffic Systems - <i>Contact Officer: Toby Butler</i></b>		
<b>Location</b>	<b>Description of Works</b>	<b>Current Status</b>
Calverley Road/ Camden Road, Tunbridge Wells	Renewal of traffic signal-controlled junction	Completed June 2020
Liptraps Lane near Harries Road, Tunbridge Wells	Upgrade existing crossing to near-sided Puffin	Completed December 2020
High Street near Lower Green Road, Pembury	Upgrade existing crossing to near-sided Puffin	Completed February 2021
Broadway near Moorland Drive, Lamberhurst	Upgrade existing crossing to near-sided Puffin	Proposed March 2021



## **Appendix H - Combined Member Grant programme update**

### **Member Highway Fund programme update for the Tunbridge Wells Borough**

The following schemes are those, which have been approved for funding by both the relevant Member and by Simon Jones, Director of Highways, Transportation and Waste. The list only includes schemes, which are

- in design
- at consultation stage
- about to be programmed
- Recently completed on site.

The list is up to date as of 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2021

The details given below are for highway projects only. This report does not detail

- Contributions Members have made to other groups such as parish councils
- highway studies
- traffic/ non-motorised user surveys funded by Members.

More information on the schemes listed below can be found by contacting the District Manager for the Tunbridge Wells Borough.

#### **Paul Barrington-King**

<b>Details of Scheme</b>	<b>Status</b>
VAS Installation, High Street Pembury	With ITS team for delivery following the May 2021 local elections
Pembury Gateway	Complete
Sherwood SID programme	With ITS team for delivery following the May 2021 local elections
Sherwood 20mph zone	Construction in progress
Pembury Wigwags	Complete

#### **Sarah Hamilton**

<b>Details of Scheme</b>	<b>Status</b>
None	

#### **Sean Holden**

<b>Details of Scheme</b>	<b>Status</b>
None	

#### **James McInroy**

<b>Details of Scheme</b>	<b>Status</b>
VAS Installation, High Street Pembury	With ITS team for delivery following the May 2021 local elections
Pembury Gateway	Complete
Sherwood SID programme	With ITS team for delivery following the May 2021 local elections
Sherwood 20mph zone	Construction in progress
Pembury Wigwags	Complete

**Peter Oakford**

<b>Details of Scheme</b>	<b>Status</b>
None	

**Catherine Rankin**

<b>Details of Scheme</b>	<b>Status</b>
Lansdowne Road Slip Road Closure	Complete



## **1.1 Legal Implications**

1.1.1 Not applicable.

## **1.2 Financial and Value for Money Considerations**

1.2.1 Not applicable.

## **1.3 Risk Assessment**

1.3.1 Not applicable.

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