

To: Tunbridge Wells Joint Transportation Board
By: KCC Highways and Transportation
Date: 3rd July 2023
Subject: Highways Forward Works Programme: 2022/23 and 2023/24
Classification: Information Only

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

1. Introduction

This report provides an update and summarises schemes that have been programmed for delivery in 2022/23 and 2023/24.

In summer 2021 Kent County Council published a Highways Asset Management Plan (HAMP), which included, as Appendix C, a five-year Forward Works Programme for the years 2021/22 to 2025/26. This reflected the need to move away from annual programmes and to consider asset management activity a multi-year one.

The first part of the programme concerned the two years 2021/22 - 2022/23. Around half of the schemes included in that programme have now been delivered, and as a result we have now produced a new programme covering the years 2022/23 - 2023/24. As before, most of the sites included in this programme have already been verified by our engineers.

The second part of our programme related to years three to five of our five-year programme (2023/24 - 2025/26). This too is in need of revision to cover the years 2024/25 – 2026/27, and the work required to do this is currently in progress. As before, our new years three to five programme will be largely based on data from our asset management systems, so may be subject to more changes as the schemes are verified..

This programme is subject to regular review and may change for a number of reasons including budget allocation, contract rate changes, inflationary pressures such as material price increases, conflicting works, and to reflect our changing priorities. The programme and extent of individual sites within the programme may also be revised following engineering assessment during the design phase, and additional sites may be added or others advanced if their condition deteriorates rapidly so that we need to react in order to keep the highway in a safe and serviceable condition.

Further information about how we manage our highway infrastructure, including our county-wide five-year forward works programme, may be found on our website:

<https://www.kent.gov.uk/about-the-council/strategies-and-policies/transport-and-highways-policies/managing-highway-infrastructure>

In addition to planned maintenance of our highway assets, this report includes transportation and safety schemes, developer funded works, Combined Members Grant schemes, and planned maintenance of public rights of way.

Road, Footway & Cycleway Renewal and Preservation Schemes – see Appendix A

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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.

Machine Resurfacing – Contact Officer Mr Byron Lovell			
Road Name	Parish	Extent of Works	Current Status
A264 Langton Road	Tunbridge Wells	From Major Yorks Road to Rusthall Road	Completed
A26 St Johns Road	Tunbridge Wells	From north of Culverden Park to Grosvenor Road Roundabout	Completed
B2162 Lamberhurst Road	Horsmonden	Between Goudhurst Road and the B2162 Lamberhurst Road	Completed
Calverley Park Gardens	Tunbridge Wells	From the junction with Calverley Road to Pembury Road	Completed
Garden Road (including Part of Lansdown and Sandrock Road)	Tunbridge Wells	From the junction of Camden Road to Ferndale	Completed
A264 Langton Road	Tunbridge Wells	<u>Retexturing</u> East of junction with Farnham Lane	To be programmed in summer
B2085 Glassenbury Road	Cranbrook	<u>Retexturing</u> 50m above junction with Trunden Road	To be programmed in summer
A262 Goudhurst Road	Cranbrook	<u>Retexturing</u> 100m east of Chalk Lane	To be programmed in summer
A268 High Street	Hawkhurst	<u>Retexturing</u> 50m west of crossroads	To be programmed in summer
Surface Treatments – Contact Officer Mr Jonathan Dean			
Micro Surfacing			

Road Name	Parish	Extent of Works	Current Status
BRENCHLEY ROAD	Brenchley	B2160 Matfield to Petteridge Lane	POSTPONED UNTIL 2024
MAIDSTONE ROAD	Horsmonden	Brenchley Road (crossroads) to Kirkins Drive (The Foundry)	Programmed for June 2023
CHESTNUT AVENUE	Southborough	Yewtree Road to Powdermill Lane	Programmed for June 2023
BALLARDS HILL	Horsmonden	Brick Kiln Lane to North Road	Programmed for June 2023
SANDROCK ROAD	Tunbridge Wells	Landsdown Road to Pembury Road	Programmed for June 2023
WHETSTED ROAD	CAPEL	B2017 Five Oak Green Road to A228 Whetsted Road (all legs)	Programmed for June 2023
BALCOMBES HILL	Goudhurst	Peasley Lane to WC	Programmed for June 2023
Surface Dressing			
GEDGES HILL	Paddock Wood	Coopers Lane (Miss out HFS) to Mascalls Court Road	Programmed for Late July 2023
UPPER HAYESDEN LANE	Penshurst	T&M Boundary to A21	Programmed for Late July 2023
SPELMONDEN ROAD	Horsmonden	A262 Spelmonden Road to B2162 Lamberhurst Road	Programmed for Late July 2023
NEILLS ROAD	Lamberhurst	Free Heath to county boundary (Newbury Lane)	Programmed for Late July 2023
FREE HEATH ROAD	Lamberhurst	Neills Road to B2169 Furnace Lane	Programmed for Late July 2023
BEDGEBURY ROAD	Goudhurst	Peasley Lane to Rogers Rough Road	Programmed for Late July 2023
FORDECOMBE ROAD	Speldhurst	Old House Road to A264	Programmed for Late July 2023
GODDARDS GREEN ROAD (S1)	Benenden	New Pond Road to East End Village Sign	Programmed for Late July 2023

NORTH ROAD	Goudhurst	Blind Lane to A262	Programmed for Late July 2023
Retread (Cold In situ Road Recycling)			
RECTORY PARK ROAD	Horsmonden	Whole Road	Substantially Complete
GRANDSHORE LANE	Cranbrook	A229 to Cranbrook Road	Substantially Complete
MARDEN ROAD	Colliers Green	From School back towards A262	Substantially Complete
ROUND GREEN LANE	Colliers Green	Right Side of Triangle	Substantially Complete
Footway Improvement - Contact Officer Mr Neil Tree			
St. Johns Road	Tunbridge Wells	<u>Footway Reconstruction</u> Sections to be identified between St. Johns School and Leighton Close (West side)	To be designed and programmed.
Yew Tree Road	Tunbridge Wells	<u>Footway Preservation</u> From the junction with Powder Mill Lane to the entrance to Yew Tree Road Car Park	Designed and to be programmed
Sandhurst Road (Phase 2)	Sherwood	<u>Footway Preservation</u> From Sandhurst Park to Ferndale and Brook Road to Sherwood Road (lower) inc section of Birken Road to Friars Way	Designed and to be programmed
Highgate Hill	Cranbrook	<u>Footway Preservation</u> From junction with Copthall Avenue to pedestrian entrance of property "Leonards" (Eastern side)	Designed and to be programmed
A268 - Rye Road	Cranbrook	<u>Footway Preservation</u> From junction with	Designed and to be

		Conghurst Lane to property "Silver Birches"	programmed
Upper Grossvenor Road (Phase 2)	Tunbridge Wells	<u>Footway Preservation</u> From Grosvenor Bridge to the junction with Silverdale Road	Designed and to be programmed
Langton Road	Tunbridge Wells	<u>Footway Preservation</u> From Burnt House Lane to Ferbies	Designed and to be programmed
Speldhurst Road	Tunbridge Wells	<u>Footway Preservation</u> From the junction of Winstone Scott Avenue to Burnt House Lane	Designed and to be programmed
Warrington Road	Paddock Wood	<u>Footway Preservation</u> Entire extents	Designed and to be programmed
Bogey Lane	Tunbridge Wells	<u>Footway Preservation</u> From Bishops Down Park Road to Moleyneux Park Road (Remote Footway)	Designed and to be programmed
Beulah Road	Tunbridge Wells	<u>Footway Preservation</u> Entire Length	Designed and to be programmed
New Road	Paddock Wood	<u>Footway Preservation</u> Entire Length	Designed and to be programmed
Walnut Close	Paddock Wood	<u>Footway Preservation</u> Entire Length	Designed and to be programmed
The Granary	Paddock Wood	<u>Footway Preservation</u> Entire Length	Designed and to be programmed
Pinewood	Paddock Wood	<u>Footway Preservation</u> Entire Length	Designed and to be programmed.

Appendix B – Drainage

Drainage Repairs & Improvements - <i>Contact Officer Earl Bourner</i>			
Road Name	Parish	Description of Works	Current Status
Frittenden Road	Sissinghurst	Drainage Improvements	Under further investigation
Major York's Road	Tunbridge Wells	Drainage scheme for repair / replacement of existing highway drainage	Further ground investigations recently completed. Liaising with Flood Team for proposals in this area.
Lamberhurst Road	Horsmonden	Drainage investigation into carriageway flooding and flooding of doctor's surgery. Drainage repairs and improvements developed for site.	Works Completed
Lower Green Road	Rusthall	Ongoing investigation works into finding the best solution to prevent further flooding to properties in the lowest point of the Carriageway. Drainage improvement works now developed and agreed with Southern Water.	Job passed to contractor – awaiting programming.
Lower Haysden Lane	Tunbridge Wells	Investigations into where the water is coming from that is running across the CW from Upper Haysden Lane	Ongoing
Langton Road	Tunbridge Wells	Investigation into drainage system	Works ongoing
Dorothy Ave	Cranbrook	Investigation into water coming through the CW	Works completed
Brenchley Road	Brenchley	Works to create new line to prevent flooding to private property	Works Completed

Bedgebury Road	Goudhurst	Investigation works to prevent flooding to properties	This section of the works is complete
Powder Mill Lane	Tunbridge Wells	Investigation as to why water is flowing onto the footpath	Works Completed
Pearsons Green Road	Tunbridge Wells	Works to prevent internal Flooding to properties	Works Completed
Penshurst Road	Bidborough	Investigations into water on the carriageway	With engineer - Ongoing
The Green	Langton Green	Investigations into water pooling on the carriageway at crossing point for the school	With engineer - Ongoing
High Street	Hawkhurst	Investigations into internal flooding to property on Theobalds	With engineer - Ongoing
Golford Road	Cranbrook	Investigation into flooding of the carriageway	With engineer - Ongoing
New Pond Road	Benenden	CCTV survey to find cause of blockage causing flooding to high street	With engineer - Ongoing

Appendix C – Street Lighting

Structural testing of KCC owned streetlights has identified the following as requiring replacement. A status of complete identifies that the column replacement has been carried out. Programme dates are identified for those still requiring replacement.

Street Lighting Column Replacement – Contact Officer: Sue Kinsella

Road Name	Location	Description of Works	Current Status
Pembury Northern Bypass	Pembury	Replacement of 2 Columns	Completion due July/Aug 2023
Garden Road	Tunbridge Wells	Replacement of 1 Column	Completion due July/Aug 2023
Goods Station Rd	Tunbridge Wells	Replacement of 1 Column	Completion due July/Aug 2023
Langton Road	Tunbridge Wells	Replacement of 1 Column	Completion due July/Aug 2023
London Road	Tunbridge Wells	Replacement of 1 Column	Completion due July/Aug 2023
London Road	Southborough	Replacement of 9 Columns	8 Complete 1 pending works on fallen tree
High Street	Pembury	Replacement of 1 Column	Completion due July/Aug 2023
Upper Grosvenor Rd	Tunbridge Wells	Replacement of 1 Column	Completion due July/Aug 2023
Neville St	Tunbridge Wells	Replacement of 1 Column	Completion due July/Aug 2023
Waterloo Road	Cranbrook	Replacement of 2 Columns	Completion due Sept 2023
Stone Street	Cranbrook	Replacement of 1 Column	Completion due Sept 2023
Pembury Road	Tunbridge Wells	Replacement of 1 Column	Completion due July/Aug 2023
Charlton's Way	Tunbridge Wells	Replacement of 1 Column	Complete
Parkwood Close	Tunbridge Wells	Replacement of 1 Column	Completion due August 2023

Appendix D – Transportation and Safety Schemes

Casualty Reduction Measures

The Schemes Planning & Delivery team is implementing schemes within Tunbridge Wells District, in order to meet Kent County Council's 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 07.06.2023

Local Transport Plan Funded Schemes		
Road Name	Description of Works	Current Status
Casualty reduction measures (reactive) – Tunbridge Wells		
	No projects of this type to report	
LTP Schemes – Tunbridge Wells		
	No projects of this type to report	

Externally Funded Schemes

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

Externally Funded Schemes			
Road Name	Description of Works	Source of Funding	Current Status
	There are no projects of this type to report		

Appendix E – Developer Funded Works

Developer Funded Works (Section 278 Agreement Works)				
Scheme Name	Mastergov File Ref No	Parish/Town	Description of Works	Current Status
Gibbet Lane	TW002038	Horsmonden	New footway and junction to Gibbet Lane	Completion certificate issued. Remedial works notified
Benhall Mill Road	TW003019	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 works complete , snagging required.
Hornbeam Avenue	TW003447	Southborough	New bellmouth access for small residential development	Works imminent
Hawkhurst Castle, Cranbrook Road	TW003049	Hawkhurst	Realignment of Heartenoak Road junction with Cranbrook Road	Solicitors instructed. Design agreed , final legal to be finished works should be summer 2023
Knights Wood	TW003054	Tunbridge Wells	Creation of links from the existing Knights Way into the proposed Knights Wood development which is significantly under way.	Works fully underway and some phases complete
Highgate Hill / Copthall avenue	TW003449	Hawkhurst	New bell-mouth access into development	Initial design submitted and agreed , 4 way traffic light design submitted for Highstreet / Rye Rd / Cranbrook Rd

Brick Kiln	TW003445	Cranbrook	New access junction for significant residential development	Works underway
Mascalls Court Farm, Green Lane	TW003069	Paddock Wood	New bell-mouth access for new development	Works significantly completed
Lillesden House, Hastings Road	TW003083	Hawkhurst	Improvements to existing access and new southern access	Fully constructed , first certificate issued works on maintenance period.
Knights Wood, Phase 1A	TW003101	Tunbridge Wells	Junction changes and bus stop improvements	Final works due by end of 23
Knights Wood Phase 1B	TW003060	Tunbridge Wells	Residential development	Awaiting completion certificate and put onto maintenance
Knights Wood Phase 1C	TW003089	Tunbridge Wells	Residential development	Awaiting completion certificate and put onto maintenance
Knights Wood Phase 2	TW003111	Tunbridge Wells	Residential development	Awaiting completion certificate and put onto maintenance remedials to be carried out
Knights Wood Phase 3	TW003286	Tunbridge Wells	Residential development	Significantly built
Knights Wood Phase 4	TW003287	Tunbridge Wells	Residential development	Under construction
Former Dairy Crest depot, St Johns Road	TW003102	Tunbridge Wells	New access to housing development, footway works and bus stop	Agreement signed, works partially complete
Union House,	TW003123	Tunbridge	Highway works	Works completed

Eridge Road & Linden Park Road		Wells	associated with development	awaiting final sign off
Hawkenbury	TW003126	Tunbridge Wells	Various junction improvements to Maryland Road, Hawkenbury Road & Forest Road	Most works complete , small amount remaining.
Henwood Green Road	TW003439	Pembury	New bell-mouth access into development	Significantly completed awaiting RSA3
Heartenoak Road	TW003187	Hawkhurst	62 house development involving footway works, provision of bellmouth and passing places	Maintenance period complete , some surfacing needed then signed off.
Turnden	TW003245	Cranbrook	36 house development requiring provision of new bellmouth and footway	Works completed.
Badsell Road	TW003246	Paddock Wood	Large housing development requiring new bellmouth, road widening, pedestrian crossing and footway works	Small amount of work remaining
Coppers Lane / Maidstone Rd	TW003443	Matfield	New spine road and associated highway works for new residential development	Awaiting first certificate sign off.
Flagstones Hartley Road Cranbrook	TW003352	Cranbrook and Sissinghurst	New Bellmouth for small housing development	Works nearly completed remedials to be carried out
Church Road Paddock Wood	TW003434 and TW003435	Paddock Wood	New Bellmouth and road widening for new housing development and associated traffic	Minor amount of work left

			calming measures	
Highgate Hill	TW003412	Hawkhurst	New bell-mouth access into retirement development	Works significantly finished.
Marsh Quarter Lane Sandhurst Jct with A268	TW003453	Sandhurst	Junction improvements in relation to new housing development	Works completed awaiting sign off and maintenance period
Brick Kiln Farm, Hartley Rd, Cranbrook	TW003445	Cranbrook	New junction and associated traffic calming measures, speed reduction for new residential development	Works underway
Sychem Lane	TW003459	Five Oak Green	New junction for residential development	Contacted developer for initial discussions no response.
Furnace Lane	TW003448	Horsmonden	New Bellmouth and associated works for new residential development	Works nearly completed , awaiting snagging.
Badsell Rd / Maidstone Rd realignment of junction		Paddock Wood	S106 works by KCC Major schemes for new aligned junction and traffic signals	KCC major projects to start to design
Five Oak Green Road	TW003462	Five Oak Green	Amended bell mouth	Works underway
26 - 38 Commercial Road	TW003463	Paddock Wood	New bell mouth for residential development	Works significantly completed.
St. Johns Road (old bus depot)	TW003464	Tun Wells	New access for residential development	Works underway
Vauxhall Lane	TW003468	Tun Wells	Amended vehicle access	Works completed
Dowding Way	TW003474	Tun Wells	New entrance for Concrete plant batch	Works imminent

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Appendix F – Bridge Works

Bridge Works – <i>Contact Officer Helen Rowe</i>			
Road Name	Parish	Description of Works	Current Status
Lower Green Road	Tunbridge Wells Royal Borough	Rear of 17 to 23 Shirley Gardens Retaining Wall (KCC no. 6174) - Wall collapsed	Work scheduled in August and September 2023

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.

Traffic Systems - <i>Contact Officer: Toby Butler</i>		
Location	Description of Works	Current Status
No sites planned		

Appendix H - Combined Members Grant programme update

Member Highway Fund programme update for the Tunbridge Wells District

The following schemes are those, which have been approved for funding by both the relevant Member and by Haroona Chughtai, Director of Highways and Transportation. 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 07.06.23.

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 Highway Manager for the Tunbridge Wells District.

Peter Oakford

Details of Scheme	Status
Yew Tree Road - Southborough Car Park additional signage for carpark locally.	Complete

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Details of Scheme	Status

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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