



Haringey Council

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Cabinet

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Report Title. **Sustainable Transport Works Plan 2010/11**

Report of : **Niall Bolger, Director of Urban Environment**

Signed : *NPBolger* . 11th March 2010

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Wards(s) affected: **All**

Report for: **Key**

1. Purpose of the report

- 1.1. To seek Cabinet approval for the Sustainable Transport Works Plan for 2010/11 and to provide details of the Council's progress on delivering transport investment in 2009/10.

2. Introduction by Cabinet Member (if necessary)

- 2.1. We are investing more than £8m on sustainable transport in 2010/11. We are putting significant investment into repairing our roads following the worst winter for 30 years as well as supporting neighbourhoods and investing in Wood Green and Tottenham High Road. We are spreading our investment around the Borough to maximise the benefits to local residents and businesses.

3. State link(s) with Council Plan Priorities and actions and other Strategies

- 3.1. The strategy supports Council's Priority 1 (making Haringey one of London's greenest boroughs); and Priority 2 (creating a Better Haringey; cleaner, greener and safer.
- 3.2. The strategy also supports the Greenest Borough Strategy.

4. Recommendations

That Cabinet:

- 4.1. Agrees to the Sustainable Transport Works Plan for 2010/11
- 4.2. Notes the requirement to prepare a Local Implementation Plan and associated transport programme for 2011/12 to 2013/14

5. Reason for recommendation(s)

- 5.1. The Plan represents an investment by the Council of £8.082m in the borough's highways and transport infrastructure. It needs to be approved by Cabinet as this provides the authorisation to commence our programme for 2010/11. Cabinet needs to be made aware of the significant proposed changes to the LIP funding process.

6. Other options considered

- 6.1. None

7. Summary

- 7.1. The Sustainable Transport Works Plan sets out the yearly investment programme in the borough's highway and transport infrastructure, as well as its initiatives to encourage greater use of sustainable transport. In 2010/11 the total proposed investment financed by TfL is £4.328m. In addition the Council is providing £3.426 million for investment in the borough's highways and other funding such as S106/S278 funding is expected bringing the total to £8.082million. Full details of all the proposed works, including a ward by ward breakdown, are attached as Appendix 2. The key investment using Transport for London funding includes:
- 20mph zones in Palace Gates area, Bidwell Gardens area [both adjoining the North Circular Road], Wightman Road, and Tottenham Hale and Hornsey Park areas
 - Electric charging points
 - School travel planning
 - Road safety education, training and publicity
 - Enhancements to Tottenham High Road and Wood Green High Road
 - Continuing the Leisure Mobility scheme
 - Completing accessibility measures around Wood Green station
- 7.2. This Sustainable Transport Works Plan is based on the type of investment, rather than the source of funding to provide a more cohesive view of how the investment will contribute

towards improving highways conditions and transport infrastructure. It also includes some Greenest Borough Strategy actions, for example the provision of car club bays or electric vehicle charging points.

- 7.3. The change in Mayor has led to some changes in transport policy and focus, as expressed in the draft Mayor's Transport Strategy [MTS]. There is an emphasis on smoothing traffic flow, improvements to urban realm and a higher profile for cycling. Generally policies and proposals are less prescriptive. The Council is required to prepare a second Local Implementation Plan or Transport Strategy which will demonstrate how the Borough is implementing the MTS at the local level. Guidance has been produced by Transport for London [TfL] on its content. We are required to submit a draft LIP to Transport for London by December 2010. Further details of the process and the requirements on the Council are included in Appendix 7.
- 7.4. TfL and London Councils have agreed changes to the methodology for allocating LIP funding to the boroughs from 2010/11 and onwards. The original 23 programmes are now reduced to 5: Corridors, Neighbourhoods, Smarter Travel, Maintenance and Major Schemes. Funds allocated to Corridors, Neighbourhoods and Smarter Travel are on the basis of a formula with maintenance of principal roads and bridges being on the basis of measurable need. Major Schemes replaces Area Based Schemes funding for projects in excess of £1m with a three step process for development and implementation. With the exception of Major Schemes, there is no longer a bidding process for LIP funding.
- 7.5. We have used a range of criteria in developing the Corridors and Neighbourhoods programme. The factors include:
- the presence of a defined regeneration area
 - the presence of a defined town centre
 - level of road casualties
 - the presence of a defined cycle route e.g. LCN plus
 - the amount of transport investment in the last three years

This process was agreed by Cabinet in September 2009. Appendix 8 includes maps showing the Corridors and Neighbourhoods that will form the basis of our second LIP and associated funding submission for 2011/12.

8. Chief Financial Officer Comments

- 8.1 The currently approved sustainable transport investment programme for 2010/11 is £8.082m funded as follows:

Funding Source	£m
TfL Grant [LIP and other funding]	4.328
Council Investment	3.426
Sections 106/278	0.328
Total	8.082

However, it should be noted that S106/278 funding is subject to variation and is dependent on progress of development schemes.

- 8.2 Further potential capital investment has been identified from various sources. The schemes in respect of this funding will be included in the 2010/11 Urban Environment capital budget once final confirmation/approval has been obtained from the appropriate funding source/body.
- 8.3 The Sustainable Transport Work programme for 2009/10 is on target to spend at its revised budget allocation by 31 March 2010.
- 8.4 The Sustainable Transport Works Plan includes the 2010/11 capital budget allocation to be funded from council investment.

9. Head of Legal Services Comments

- 9.1 The Head of Legal Services comments that the Highways Act 1980 imposes on a highway authority the duty to maintain highways maintainable at public expense. The standard of maintenance is the standard necessary to accommodate the ordinary traffic which passes, or may reasonably be expected to pass along the highway.

10. Equalities & Community Cohesion Comments

- 10.1. Part of our works programme supports better access to the public transport and highway networks and footway enhancements which particularly benefit people with mobility handicaps and disabled people.
- 10.2. Our programme seeks to reduce road user casualties through the neighbourhood and road safety projects and the education, training and publicity programme. Reduced crime could be expected from improvements to street lighting.

11. Consultation

- 11.1. A revised process for consulting on our highways schemes was agreed by Cabinet in March 2008. Under this process three levels of consultation are undertaken:
- Notification of works [all works]
 - Statutory notification [all schemes that require statutory notification]
 - Full consultation [any high profile scheme – agreed as part of this highways works programme and any other scheme that is deemed to require it by the agreement of the Cabinet Member]
- 11.2. Appendix 7 of the works plan details the type of consultation planned for the various schemes.

12. Service Financial Comments

- 12.1. The overall sustainable transport investment programme for 2010/11 is £8.082m. A significant proportion of the funding is from external sources, primarily TfL through the LIP process. LIP funding amounts to £4.203m. In addition TfL are providing £125,000 for non-

LIP transport schemes. An estimated £328,000 investment would be achieved via S106 and S278 agreements through the planning process.

12.2. Council capital investment totals £3.426m. This is split as follows:

- Footways £260,000
- Non-principal roads £1,666,000
- Street lighting £800,000
- Road safety improvements £100,000
- Parking Plan £600,000

13. Use of appendices /Tables and photographs

13.1. Appendix: Sustainable Transport Works Plan 2010/11

14. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

14.1. Local Implementation Plan funding submission September 2009
Highways Asset Management Plan
LIP funding allocation letter from TfL, 11 December 2009
Cabinet report Transport Proposals for 2010/11, 8 September 2009

