
HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE AND CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2001/2002

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

To appraise Members of the allocation of funds for the maintenance of highways in the Rochford District Council area for 2001/2002, together with the approved Special Maintenance budget and capital programme.

2. BASIC MAINTENANCE

This comprises small scale structural maintenance work such as the routine patching of footways and carriageways, where the cost of any individual scheme is below £10,000. It also includes safety, environmental and winter maintenance works.

The allocations for 2001/2002 are set out below with the 2000/2001 allocation shown in brackets.

Basic Structural Maintenance	£452,904	(£401,821)
Patching and Minor Repairs		
Drainage		
Footways and Cycle tracks		
Guard fencing and Safety Barriers		
Environmental Maintenance	£80,589	(£51,772)
Verge Maintenance		
Scavenging		
Highway Tree Maintenance		
Safety Maintenance	£100,000	(£71,251)
Signs/Bollards		
Road Markings		
Drain Cleaning		
Winter Maintenance, not yet allocated		(£131,511)
Salting		
Snow Ploughing		
Public Rights of Way	£36,000	(£37,005)
Public Footpaths, Bridleways etc		
Total 2001/2002 Basic Maintenance Allocations for Rochford District, excluding winter maintenance -	£669,493	(£561,849)

5. Minor Capital Programme 2001/2002

This budget covers capital schemes between £10,000 and £250,000 in value. The schemes have been identified through the Accident Reduction programme or the District Local Transport Plan and are linked to a service delivery area bid for in the County Council Local Transport Plan. These schemes are selected by a priority process where the County Council considered all proposed schemes across the whole of the County. Some schemes are programmed over more than one financial year, this table only shows approvals for the 2001/2002 financial year.

Service area	Scheme	Allocation for 2001/2002
Cycling	Hall Road link to Rochford	£20,000
Freight distribution	Review of Weight Restrictions, lorry route signs and direction signs	£5,000
Minor schemes	A129 London Rd/Downhall Rd/Creswick Ave, Rayleigh. Junction review and works if necessary	£45,000
	Hockley Town Centre - Work to compliment District Council Scheme	£20,000
	Rochford Town Centre – Work to compliment District Council Scheme	£50,000
Walking	Warners Bridge footway– Completion of developer funded scheme	£35,000
Safety	Ashingdon Rd – Ashingdon Pedestrian/Cycle route	£90,000
Safety	A1015 Eastwood Rd/Daws Heath Rd roundabout and zebra crossing	£60,000
Safety	A130 Great Baddow Bypass to Rawreth Lane Junction (joint Chelmsford Borough Scheme) High performance road markings etc	£60,000

6. Other Expenditure

Other countywide budgets will also cover work within the district. The major ones are

- Street lighting
 - Traffic signal provision and maintenance
 - Accident reduction programme (selected through accident statistics)
 - Surface treatment programme (selected through accident statistics)
 - Safer Journeys to School work (Schools selected for the programme)
- The work to be done under the locally determined budget has already been reported to this committee.

7. Recommendation

It is proposed that the Committee resolves:
That the anticipated expenditure on basic maintenance, special maintenance and from the minor capital programme for the Rochford District in 2001/2002 be noted.

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