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## Rochdale Highways Additional Spend Proposed Carriageway and Footway Programme

### Executive Summary

1. The purpose of this report is for Members to consider approving the suggested carriageway programme and selecting the footways which will form the footway programme.

### Recommendation

2. 2.1 That the committee notes and approves the carriageway element of this programme and selects the footways to form the footway programme.  
  
2.2 Where events external to the Council require rapid response or agreement in principle, the committee authorise the Head of Highways to vary the programme in consultation with the Portfolio Holder and the Chair of the relevant Township committee..

### Reason for Recommendation

3. 3.1 The recommended carriageway programme which has already been circulated to members has been produced based on condition, asset management principles, claims history and accident history. The programme aims to maximise the improvement to the network by carrying out the most efficient and cost effective works to the carriageway.  
  
3.2 The footway list which has been provided to members has been based on footway condition data, claims history and accident history. The list contains all of the footways which have been deemed structurally unsound and as such, require remediation work. Members are asked to choose schemes to make up the Rochdale allocation of the footway budget which stands at –

Asset	Budget Allocation
Footway	£792k

## Key Points for Consideration

4. 4.1 This programme will address a number of highway related issues which will improve condition, reduce claim liability, improve safety and assist with the DfT self-assessment process which will maximise funding opportunities for the Borough.

4.2 The footway list includes all of the structurally unsound footways and by selecting schemes from this list, the end programme will improve condition, claims liability and user safety

### Alternatives Considered

The alternative to carrying out this programme would be to select schemes based on condition only. This approach would lead to a deterioration of the network overall and it is poor asset management to treat only the worst roads in the area. Using an asset management approach will assist Rochdale in maintaining its current level three funding from the DfT.

## Costs and Budget Summary

5. A budget of £12m has been made available for this programme and the budget is allocated between the Townships based on population size. The budgets splits are as follows –

Township	% Allocation
Heywood	14
Middleton	22
Pennine	20
Rochdale	44

## Risk and Policy Implications

6. If members do not approve this programme, the condition of the network will continue to deteriorate which may impact on our ability to maintain the maximum funding level from the DfT.

## Consultation

7. Consultation has occurred with the Leader of the Council and Members as part of this process.

### Background Papers

### Place of Inspection

8. N/A

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