

REPORT TITLE: CAR PARKS MAJOR WORKS PROGRAMME

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REPORT OF PORTFOLIO HOLDER: ENVIRONMENT – CLLR JAN WARWICK

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PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to consider and agree the proposed Car Parks Major Works Programme for 2018/19 and an indicative programme for 2019/20.

The programme considers both capital and revenue expenditure and is part of the Council's Asset Management Plan.

The report explains the progress made on delivering the programme agreed for 2017/18 in terms of maintaining and improving parking assets including replacing lighting and machines. A further package of maintenance and enhancements of car parks is planned for 2018/19 including, further lighting enhancements, machine replacements, park and ride infrastructure improvements, some potential parking enhancements at Shawford and research and trials of solar lighting in some surface car parks. Some funding is also included for further ULEV provision (electric charging points) and possible changes to the signing strategy for car parks in Winchester town.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That:

1. Subject to Council approval of the Budget and Capital Strategy in February, the car parks major works programme expenditure for 2018/19 of £465,000, as outlined in appendix A, be approved and that the indicative programme for 2019/20 totalling £180,000 be noted as a basis for planning and preparing future works.

2. The Corporate Head of Regulatory Services, be given delegated authority to make minor adjustments to the programme, in order to meet maintenance and operational needs of the District's car parks throughout the year as required in consultation with the Corporate Head of Asset Management and the Portfolio Holder for Environment.

IMPLICATIONS:

1 COUNCIL STRATEGY OUTCOME

- 1.1 On-going investment in the Council's parking infrastructure is consistent with the Council Strategy environment outcome (by working with our partners and by using the powers available to us, make Winchester a safe and pleasant place to visit) and entrepreneurial outcome (protect and enhance our assets in order to maximise income possibilities). Having safe and attractive car parks across the town and wider District is important in supporting the local economy.
- 1.2 Making appropriate investment in parking facilities also underpins the delivery of the Car Parking Strategy 2014-18 by ensuring our car parks are safe and attractive to use for customers. The Strategy is due to be reviewed in 2018 and the new document will set the future direction of parking policy across the District including developing options for parking provision in Winchester town. The City of Winchester Movement Strategy will inform this review (see 1.3 below).
- 1.3 The City Council is currently working with Hampshire County Council to develop a Movement Strategy for Winchester town which will identify high level options designed to improve all forms of transport in and around the city. More detailed proposals will then flow from the Strategy and it is possible that some of these improvements will be funded by the car parks major works programme. It is anticipated that the Strategy will be adopted by the City and County Councils in autumn next year.
- 1.4 The Council also agreed an Air Quality Action Plan this year designed to improve air quality in the city (Air Quality Management Area). Providing infrastructure to encourage the use of lower emission vehicles, such as charging points in car parks, will assist in implementing the measures set out in the Plan and have been included in this year's programme. Other investment, such as providing more energy efficient/solar lighting in our car parks, will also contribute to the Council's agreed Route Map to a Low Carbon Economy in Winchester District and our Twelve Actions for a Lower Carbon Council

2 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 2.1 The car parks major works programme is funded by the car parks property earmarked reserve with the exception of Jubilee Hall which is partly funded by £50,000 of CIL monies.
- 2.2 The programme of works identified in this report amounts to £465,000 in 2018/19 and £180,000 in 2019/20.
- 2.3 Investing in parking infrastructure will reduce the risk of loss of income from parking charges by ensuring that car parks are attractive and well used

facilities which are fit for purpose. This is an important component in implementing our Car Parking Strategy across the District and will in addition help to prevent any claims against the Council resulting from accidents or other incidents in car parks.

3 LEGAL AND PROCUREMENT IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 Any procurement for goods and services will be in line with the Council's procurement guidelines.

4 WORKFORCE IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 The majority of works will be managed or delivered 'in house' by the Council's Parking, Estates or Special Maintenance Teams

5 PROPERTY AND ASSET IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 Works are in line with the Council's Asset Management Programme.

6 CONSULTATION AND COMMUNICATION

- 6.1 The plan has been developed with the input of colleagues across the Council.

7 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

- 7.1 Environmental considerations have informed the programme in terms of energy efficient lighting systems and future provision for ULEV (Ultra Low Emission Vehicles). See also 1.4 above.

8 EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

- 8.1 14 Car Parks have already achieved Disabled Parking Accreditation awarded by Disabled Motoring UK.

9 RISK MANAGEMENT

Risk	Mitigation	Opportunities
<i>Property, failing to maintain Council property in a safe condition for users</i>	Continued investment addresses defects and means that car parks remain fit for purpose	Opportunities to explore new technology to support their use by customers, extend the life of car parks and reduce costs.
<i>Community Support, N/A</i>		
<i>Timescales, N/A</i>		
<i>Project capacity, N/A</i>		
<i>Financial / VfM, Failure to have safe and well managed car parks and</i>	Investment in replacing machines each year has taken place and this has	

<p><i>reliable working parking machines that give customers a range of payment options may result in loss of income and detrimentally effect the implementation of the Car Parking Strategy..</i></p> <p><i>Missing opportunities to explore and install energy efficient lighting means that potential savings are not realised.</i></p>	<p>enabled customers in all town centre car parks to have a range of payment methods and ensured that customers are able to make payment.</p> <p>Parking have worked with colleagues in the Council's Estates team to introduce energy efficient lighting in Chesil Street and Tower Street car parks; a similar programme will take place in The Brooks car park.</p>	
<p><i>Legal, The Council has an obligation to maintain its car parks in a safe condition for users.</i></p>	<p>Maintaining car parks in a safe condition helps to minimise claims from injuries and other incidents and minimises possible reputational damage.</p>	
<p><i>Innovation, Missing opportunities to invest in new technology including energy efficient lighting would mean that the Council would fail to realise energy efficiencies/reductions in our carbon footprint and other savings</i></p>	<p>The Council continues to investigate and implement lighting and other measures to improve the parking stock and to reduce energy consumption costs, and the Council's carbon footprint.</p>	
<p><i>Reputation, failing to carry out repair work and to not maintain car parks to an acceptable standard may damage the reputation of the Council and attract criticism from customers as well as reducing use.</i></p>	<p>By carrying out a programme of structural surveys and other inspections and subsequent repairs, the Council will ensure it has attractive and safe car parks which will encourage use.</p>	<p>Maintaining or increasing the number of car park awards and accreditations by having safe and well managed car parks should encourage additional use and will provide for the needs of all elements of our communities</p>
<p><i>Other</i></p>		

10 SUPPORTING INFORMATION:

- 10.1 The Car Parks Major Works Programme sets out the spending plans for 2018/19 incorporating both capital and revenue costs. It consists of a variety of works including building refurbishment and maintenance and equipment replacement, car park resurfacing and improvements to help protect the health and safety of users.
- 10.2 The programme set out in this report includes expenditure proposals for 2018/19 and an indicative programme for 2019/20. For 2018/19 the total proposed programme including any carry forwards amounts to £465,000 of which £335,000 is classified as capital expenditure (including a £235,000 C/F) and £130,000 as revenue expenditure. The Car Park's Property Maintenance Earmarked Reserve is used to fund both capital and revenue expenditure; however, the funding for Jubilee Hall of £100,000 is financed partly by a CIL contribution of £50,000.
- 10.3 The programme set out in Appendix A reflects the current needs and priorities of the Council in terms of maximising efficiency, health and safety and general obligations for maintenance and equipment replacement in relation to its assets, and therefore reflects the Council Strategy for asset management and strategic objectives included within Portfolio plans.
- 10.4 As an update on works that have taken place since the previous report to Cabinet in January 2017 (CAB2886 (TP)), the following projects have been undertaken or are in the process of being completed:
- The project to install energy efficient lighting including some PIR (presence detectors) lighting in Tower Street car park has been completed.
 - Works are still ongoing to replace the air quality management system in the Brooks car park, this should be completed in the current financial year.
 - Replacement pay machines for Barfield and St Catherine's park and ride have been delivered and are being installed.
 - All town centre car parks now have card machines installed giving customers additional choice when making payment.
 - Several lining and resurfacing projects have been undertaken in car parks including some remodelling at Kidmore Lane car park in Denmead, Perins school in New Alresford, as well as Gladstone Street car park, St Peter's car park and South Winchester Park and ride car park in the city itself.
 - The Council have entered into an arrangement with Enterprise car club and have provided 3 parking bays with electric charging points in town centre car parks for use by the club.
 - Friarsgate car park has been opened providing an additional 70 parking spaces including 4 disabled persons spaces and 2 electric charging

spaces, plus 4 motorcycle bays. The car park has also been awarded Safer Parking status and Disabled Parking accreditation .

- All car parks submitted to the scheme have retained the Parkmark award and 14 now have disabled parking accreditation from Disabled Motoring UK.
- The provision of additional parking at Jubilee Hall in Bishops Waltham is still ongoing with the Council having agreed to support the project by allocating £100,000 (£50,000 CIL) with the balance of costs to be met by the Parish Council. Construction will depend on finance for the remainder of the build being arranged by the Parish Council.

10.5 The proposed programme to be agreed for 2018/19 is £465,000 and an indicative programme for 2019/20, of £180,000 is in line with the Council's Asset Management Plan developed by the Estates Team and incorporating car parks. The main works are summarised below:

- The plan to replace the lighting at the Brooks with similar lighting as Chesil and Tower Street car parks will be undertaken producing both energy and cost savings. This work will be undertaken in 2018/19.
- It is proposed to replace all of the car park machines in Chesil multi-storey car park as they are becoming unreliable. Many of these machines will be card enabled to provide additional payment choices for customers..
- A number of car parks will again require both lining and some surface repairs, including work at Middlebrook Street, Colebrook Street, Worthy Lane and Cattle Market car parks.
- Investigation will take place, including a review of policy, for introducing further electric charging points for ULEV and electric only vehicles in Council car parks. Additional charging points will be installed in Tower St car park.
- It is proposed to replace the video badges worn by the Council's team of Civil Enforcement Officers with updated models to further enhance their health and safety.
- The Council is exploring the potential with Hampshire County Council of making improvements to the Shawford Downs car park to better accommodate commuters and recreational users. On-street commuter parking is an issue in the vicinity of the railway station.
- It is proposed to develop and implement a phased programme to replace some of the bus shelters at St Catherine's and Barfield park and ride sites. A sum of £10k has been included to provide a new waste storage area for the Winchester market in Colebrook Street car park which means it will no longer be necessary to provide such a facility as part of planned environmental improvements at St. Maurice's Covert

- A study and trial will take place for solar lighting in some surface car parks and an assessment of its effectiveness will be undertaken before deciding whether to develop a wider programme for the installation of this type of lighting. The trial will start in Kidmore Lane car park in Denmead which has some dark areas. Further trials and assessment will take place following consultation with the Council's Energy Manager.
- Provision of £50,000 has been made to implement a revised approach to signing Winchester's car parks, drawing on the Movement Strategy being developed jointly with Hampshire County Council, and will form a part of the review of the Council's Car Parking Strategy which is due to take place in 2018.

11 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED

11.1 None.

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS:-

Previous Committee Reports:-

CAB 2886 (TP) CAR PARKS MAJOR WORKS PROGRAMME 4 January 2017

Other Background Documents:-

None

APPENDICES:

Appendix A- Proposed Car Parks Major Works Programme for 2018/19 and Indicative Programme for 2019/20

ND **Proposed Car Parks Major Works Programme for 2018/19 and Indicative Programme for 2019/20**

CAR PARK/ITEM	PROJECT	Capital £	Revenue £	TOTAL £
<u>2018/19</u>				
Brooks centre	Replacement lighting	50,000		50,000
Various car parks	Resurfacing and lining	C/F	35,000	35,000
Various car parks	Solar/energy efficient lighting trials	20,000		20,000
St Maurice's Covert	location of bin store to Colebrook St	10,000		10,000
Jubilee Hall	Car Park construction	100,000		100,000
Improved car park signs	Car parking strategy		50,000	50,000
Various car parks	Additional charging points	20,000		20,000
Civil Enforcement Officer video badges	Replacement of badges	10,000		10,000
Park and Ride	Replacement of shelters	30,000		30,000
Chesil MSCP	Annual machine replacement programme		35,000	35,000
IMT	Purchase of response master system or equivalent	10,000		10,000
Shawford	Parking enhancement	20,000		20,000
Brooks Centre	Air Quality Management System	75,000		75,000
		C/F		
TOTAL PROGRAMME		345,000	120,000	465,000

CAR PARK/ITEM	PROJECT	Capital £	Revenue £	TOTAL £
<u>2019/20</u>				
Various car parks	Annual machine replacement programme		30,000	30,000
Various car parks	Surface repairs and remarking		95,000	20,000
Park and Ride	Replacement of Shelters	30,000		30,000
Various car parks	Energy efficient lighting enhancements/replacement	25,000		15,000
TOTAL PROGRAMME		55,000	125,000	180,000