

Report for:	Traffic & Road Safety
	Advisory Panel
Date of Meeting:	11 July 2023
Subject:	INFORMATION REPORT 2023/24 Traffic and Parking Schemes Programme Update
Key Decision:	No
Responsible Officer:	Cathy Knubley – Director of Environmental Services
Portfolio Holder:	Councillor Anjana Patel – Portfolio Holder for Environment and Community Safety
Exempt:	No
Decision subject to Call-in:	No, the report is for information
Wards affected:	All wards
Enclosures:	Appendix A – Traffic Schemes Programme 2023/24
	Appendix B – Cycle Training Programme
	Appendix C - Parking Management Programme 2023/24
	Appendix D – Local Safety Parking Programme (LSPP) 2023/24
	Appendix E – Clamp Hill – Traffic Calming Scheme plan

Section 1 – Summary and Recommendation

This information report is presented to members to provide an update on progress with the 2023/24 traffic and parking management programme of works.

Recommendation:

The Panel is requested to note the report.

Reason: The report is for information only

Section 2 – Report

Introductory paragraph

This information report provides members with an update on the current programme of transport schemes and initiatives funded in 2023/24. This includes schemes funded by Transport for London (TfL) grant and the Harrow capital programme. **Appendices A, B, C, D and E** provides a summary of progress with all the schemes within the current programme.

More detail on specific schemes is provided below in the body of the report where they have reached the public consultation, statutory consultation or implementation stages and any other specific issues of interest to members.

Options considered

This work programme fits within the scope of the Council's Transport Local Implementation Plan (LIP), which sets out the policies and objectives for taking forward a wide-ranging programme of investment.

TFL LOCAL IMPLEMENTATION PLAN (LIP) PROGRAMME 2023/24

Howberry Road Area 20mph zone

Implementation has been approved and will follow resurfacing and footway renewal works.

The plan is to deliver this scheme by the end of March 2024.

Alexandra Avenue/Eastcote Avenue, South Harrow

This is a local safety junction improvement scheme and currently at design stage expected to be complete this financial year.

Clamp Hill

Public consultation is underway on a proposal for traffic calming measures and waiting restrictions. The plans are shown at Appendix E.

High Road/College Ave

Feasibility study/design only scheme looking at possible measures to reduce accidents in the vicinity of the junction.

Honeypot Lane

Feasibility study/design only scheme looking at measures to reduce accidents at a break in the central reservation.

Mollison Way

An assessment of areas between existing 20mph zones and locations where we have received requests for traffic calming in residential streets have been prioritised in line with the TARSAP agreed process. Due to a fatal collision in 2022 and a further collision earlier this year, the Mollison Way area has been ranked highest priority and initial design work has been completed and will be reviewed by ward members before going out to consultation.

The remaining areas are still being prioritised. Traffic speed and flow data has been obtained and will be used to determine the final ranking for the top 14 locations.

George V Avenue/Headstone Lane/Pinner Road

Feasibility study and design looking at improvements to pedestrian and cyclist facilities and possible bus priority measures. This will be combined with reviews at near-by major junctions.

Pinner Road/Station Road

Feasibility study and design looking at improvements to pedestrian and cyclist facilities and possible bus priority measures. This will be combined with reviews at near-by major junctions.

Harrow View

Feasibility study to look at the possibility of providing a formal crossing facility between Cunningham Park and Marlborough Hill.

Old Church Lane

Design work is underway looking at providing a formal crossing facility in the vicinity of Stanmore College.

Uxbridge Road/Blythwood Road

A feasibility study is being carried out looking at options to improve the junction. The first designs are expected this summer.

Pinner District Walking Study

A feasibility study is being carried out looking at options to improve the pedestrian environment in Bridge Street. This is not for construction in this financial year.

Boroughwide study of pedestrian walking areas

Currently being reviewed is a possible crossing on Common Road near to the Sandringham development; a possible crossing on Locket Road near to Hibbert Road for Belmont School; possible widening of the footway along Brookshill between Hujjat Primary School and Uxbridge Road. Surveys have been undertaken and further analysis is currently underway.

Local Initiative Schemes

A review of existing traffic calming in Rayners Lane by Fairview Crescent. Design work is underway looking at traffic calming improvements in the existing 20mph zone.

Boroughwide School Healthy Streets

Feasibility study only looking at the process and prioritisation of locations for possible school streets. This will lead to developing an implementation programme for 2024/25.

Bus Priority Schemes

There are various locations being investigated for possible bus priority improvements. These could include bus lanes, changes to signal timings, junction modification, kerb realignment, relocation of parking etc.

Harrow Cycle Network

Two routes are being designed anticipated for implementation this financial year. These are Harrow to Pinner and Northolt Park to Rayners Lane. Both are still in design.

There are further routes being explored for possible implementation in future years.

Residential Cycle Parking

Provision of cycle hangars or other appropriate secure storage for residents. An initial meeting has taken place with Housing colleagues to commence the process.

OTHER EXTERNAL FUNDING AND DEVELOPER CONTRIBUTIONS

Electric Vehicle Charging Points (residential)

Following the success of the first tranche a second bid was submitted for another 40 sites to the Department for Transport Office for Zero Emission Vehicles (OZEV). The application has been successful and an award of £109,900 made for Tranche 2.

A further bid for up to 200 sites has been approved and an award of £410,940 has been made. New electric vehicle charge points will be installed later this financial year.

Harrow Capital 2023/24

Parking management programme

The Parking Management Schemes Programme for 2023/24 was agreed and approved by Traffic and Road Safety Advisory Panel (TARSAP) in March 2023. The current status of each scheme in the programme can be seen in **Appendix C**.

Localised Safety Parking Schemes Programme (LSPP)

This programme is concerned with localised sites where minor parking problems occur.

Typically, remedial measures consist of proposals for single or double yellow lines at junctions, bends and narrow sections of road in order to improve vehicular access or improve road safety. These measures also reinforce the well-established principles set out in The Highway Code. This is an on-going rolling programme of works and members, and the Portfolio Holder will be advised of the locations included in the programme during the year.

The list of proposed schemes on the programme is outlined in **Appendix C**

Staffing/workforce

The review of the schemes has been undertaken using existing staff resources within the Traffic, Highways & Asset Management Team supported by technical consultants as required.

Ward Councillors' comments

Ward Councillors' comments have not been sought for this report because it is for information only.

Performance Issues

The development of any schemes would support the wider aims, objectives and targets in the current Transport Local Implementation Plan (LIP) and help to deliver Harrow's corporate priorities and in particular building a better Harrow.

Environmental Implications

The development of any schemes would support the wider aims and objectives of the current Transport Local Implementation Plan (LIP). The LIP underwent a

Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA). This indicated that there are environmental benefits from delivering the programme of investment.

Key population and human health benefits identified were from reducing casualties, encouraging active travel and improving air quality. The benefits associated with increased active travel and healthy lifestyles help reduce diabetes and obesity levels. No negative environmental issues were identified as part of the SEA.

Data Protection Implications

There are no data protection implications.

Risk Management Implications

The delivery of each scheme in the programme of investment will be subject to separate risk assessments.

There is a requirement to undertake a design risk assessment during scheme development under the Construction (Design & Management) Regulations in order to manage any potential health and safety risks.

Risks included on corporate or directorate risk register? No

Separate risk register in place? No

The relevant risks contained in the register are attached/summarised below. **n/a**

Legal Implications

There are no legal implications to be noted as the report is for information purposes only.

Under Part 3A of the Council's Constitution, the terms of reference of TARSAP are to make recommendations on traffic management, the management and control of parking both on and off-street and the operational aspects of public transport within the Borough but includes other business, such as: petitions, deputations, scheme approval (from existing budgets), including consultation results and authority to make traffic orders and objections to traffic orders.

Financial Implications

Any schemes and works programmes mentioned in this report are being taken forward using identified resources within the 2023/24 capital programme and confirmed funding allocations from TfL, DfT, NCIL funding and developer contributions.

Equalities implications / Public Sector Equality Duty

- 2.29 LIP3 underwent an Equalities Impact Assessment, and the Council has had due regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, advance equality of opportunity and foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and those who do not share it as required under section 149 of the Equality Act 2010.
- 2.30 It is considered that the proposed scheme will be of benefit to all and particularly the groups in the table below:

Protected characteristic	Benefit
Sex	Mothers with young children and elderly people generally benefit most from schemes that prioritise walking, cycling and public transport. Improved road layouts and public realm provide improved safety, security and convenience and improved access to the town centre and facilities.
Disability	People with physical and visual impairment generally benefit most from schemes that prioritise walking and public transport because improved road layouts and public realm provide ease of access with fewer obstructions, improved safety, security and convenience to access the town centre and facilities.
Age	Young children and elderly people generally benefit most from schemes that prioritise walking, cycling and public transport because improved road layouts and public realm provide improved safety, security, convenience, improved access to the town centre and facilities. A reduction in the influx of traffic into an area will reduce particulate emissions and air pollution, to which children are particularly vulnerable.

Council Priorities

The LIP3 and associated programme of investment detailed in the report support the Harrow ambition plan and will contribute to achieving the administration's priorities:

- 1. A council that puts residents first
- 2. A borough that is clean and safe
- 3. A place where those in need are supported

Section 3 - Statutory Officer Clearance

Statutory Officer: Cathy Knubley Signed off by the Director of Environmental Services

Date: 28 June 2023

Mandatory Checks

Ward Councillors notified: NO, as the report is for information only.

EqIA carried out: YES, as a part of LIP3

EqIA cleared by: Equality Task Group (DETG) Chair

Section 4 - Contact Details and Background Papers

Contact: Laura McIntosh, Interim Transportation Manager Email: <u>laura.mcintosh@harrow.gov.uk</u>

Background Papers: Transport Local Implementation Plan <u>https://www.harrow.gov.uk/road-maintenance-travel/harrow-transport-policy-documents</u>