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SECTION 1 – SUMMARY

This information report is presented to members to up date them regarding progress on a number of traffic management projects, as follows:

- Kenton Lane – Local safety scheme
- Camrose Avenue – Local safety scheme
- Stanmore Hill / The Common – Local safety scheme
- Harrow on the Hill – 20 mph zone
- Stanmore CPZ - Wembley Event Day parking proposals
- Headstone Drive / Harrow View / Headstone Gardens - junction improvements
- Petts Hill Bridge & Highway Improvements
- Sustainable Transport Initiatives
- Bus Priority Schemes
- Cycle Programme 2007 / 08

FOR INFORMATION

SECTION 2 - REPORT

2.1 Kenton Lane – Local safety scheme.

This local safety scheme is currently on site. The waiting restrictions came into force on 4th February 2008.

2.2 Harrow on the Hill – 20 mph zone proposals.

- 2.2.1 Following completion of the scheme design a public consultation exercise was undertaken with the local community affected by the proposals. This involved distributing public consultation documents to directly affected residents, businesses and schools with an invitation to comment on the proposals. The documents were delivered to all addresses in the consultation area providing details of the scheme, a plan of the proposals and a pre-paid return form for residents to give their comments and express their views.
- 2.2.2 Consultation documents were sent to 853 premises in the affected area, from which 210 responses were received. (Details of the consultation results are contained in **Appendix A**). This is a response rate of 24.6%, which is fairly typical for schemes such as this. Of those, 158 (75.2%) vote yes; 36 (17.1%) voted no; and 16 (7.6%) voted don't know/no opinion. On the basis of the significant support for the scheme, a report has been prepared recommending to the Portfolio Holder for Environment Services that we proceed with the scheme. The next stage will be to advertise the statutory traffic orders and to determine any objections that may be received as a result.
- 2.2.3. Subject to the outcome of the statutory consultation works are scheduled to commence on site by the end of March 2008.

2.3 Stanmore Controlled Parking Zone extension to deal with Wembley events parking.

- 2.3.1 Stanmore has two Controlled Parking Zone's comprising of Zones, 'B' and 'H'. These were introduced in 1994 and reviewed in 1996 and 2004. Since the last review the new Wembley Stadium has been opened. As Stanmore Underground Station is a popular transport link to the stadium, the parking situation in the existing Stanmore CPZ and around its fringes may have changed. We are responding to these changes by conducting a further review of the CPZ.
- 2.3.2 In order to understand how parking patterns have changed as a result of the new stadium local residents in Stanmore were consulted regarding

amendments to the existing controlled parking zones and the zone boundaries a preliminary consultation was carried out from the 3rd January to the 1st February 2008.

- 2.3.3 The leaflet with a questionnaire was distributed to over 4,000 premises both within the existing Controlled Parking Zone's B and H, as well as around their fringes (A copy of which can be located in **Appendix B**).
- 2.3.2 The purpose of this exercise was to ascertain whether the current hours of control are sufficient within the CPZ as the parking dynamics may have changed since the opening of the new, increased capacity, Wembley Stadium. Also if the roads surrounding the CPZ suffer from Wembley Stadium Event Day or other non-local parking and would like to be included within the CPZ or not, as well as identifying other localised parking issues that may be addressed via this CPZ Review.
- 2.3.2 The final responses from the consultation are currently being logged and the analysis of the results will take place during February and March 2008.
- 2.3.2 Proposals for any amendments and extensions to the Stanmore Controlled Parking Zone will depend on the outcome of the consultation, which will be reported with proposals to the next TARSAP Meeting scheduled for June 2008. Implementation is scheduled for summer 2008.

2.4 Headstone Drive/Harrow View/Headstone Gardens - junction improvements

- 2.4.1 Following the information report to the last panel meeting on 25 September 2007 it has been confirmed that funding is available from the Cycling budget to combine the cycling and pedestrian crossing proposals at the junction.
- 2.4.2 AccordMP have been commissioned to prepare a revised layout incorporating both proposals and to review the signal modelling to deal with the queuing concerns on Headstone Drive and address the effects of the layout changes.
- 2.4.3 The final signals details will need to be checked and approved by TfL's traffic signals unit. A request will be made via the Cycling budget manager for time to be allocated in the signals programme in the fourth quarter for this to be carried out. It does depend on a free time slot becoming available (e.g. as a result of another scheme elsewhere not going ahead) and cannot be guaranteed. Should this request be unsuccessful a programme slot will be sought in the first quarter of 2008/09. If the scheme proves to be viable funding will be sought for implementation in 08/09.

2.5 Petts Hill Bridge and Highway Improvements

- 2.5.1 The funding shortfall has now been resolved. Network Rail has commissioned Birse to carry out the bridge replacement works. Highway design being carried out by AccordMP is expected to be complete by July 2008.
- 2.5.2 Further stakeholder presentations are planned for April 2008. One in South Harrow and the other in Northolt. The South Harrow one will be to the South Harrow & Roxeth Resident's Association.
- 2.5.3 The bridge replacement works will require two weekend road closures in the summer/autumn leading up to the main road closure over the 4 day Christmas bank holiday. Further details on the road closures and disruption management measures will be available around May 2008.
- 2.5.4 Highway works are due to start in November 2008 and anticipated to complete with landscaping works in summer 2009.

2.6 Bus Priority Schemes

Kings Road, South Harrow - Parking Lay-bys

Work is complete except for one lay-by where an issue with utilities needs to be resolved. Tree planting and grass laying is due to commence shortly. The Traffic Orders have been drafted and we are awaiting completion of the site works before progressing further.

Common Road Junction with High Road

This comprises a new left turn lane for northbound traffic approaching the junction of Common Road and The Common. The detailed design has been completed and costed. The cost of diversionary works associated with utilities plant need to be rechecked as they have come in more expensive than anticipated.

Shaftesbury Avenue, South Harrow

A Portfolio Holder report has been issued to the portfolio holder for a decision.

Cannon Lane j/w Whittington Way

A Portfolio Holder report seeking approval will be sought in the near future, with implementation programmed to follow in February - March 2008

Honeypot Lane Bus Lane

A site meeting has been arranged with members to discuss the feasibility of the project. No firm proposals have been developed and key stakeholders will be consulted if the scheme develops further.

Headstone Lane Bus Barrier

Scheme complete.

Rayners Lane/Village Way East/Alexandra Avenue

This is a comprehensive Rayners Lane / Alexandra Avenue improvement scheme to reduce delays for buses and general traffic on Rayners Lane between Alexandra Avenue and Village Way East. Scheme design only programmed for 2007/08 and implementation is planned for 2008/09 subject to identifying a feasible solution.

2.7 Sustainable Transport Events and Promotion

2.7.1 New newsletter replacing Good Going to be issued soon.

2.8 LCN + Cycling Programme 2007/08

2.8.1 LCN+ represents a major investment by Transport for London to create a network of approximately 900km of high quality cycle routes by 2009/10. LCN+ is London's primary strategic cycle network on routes that have been identified as having the highest demand for cycling. When fully upgraded the network will provide safer and more comfortable conditions for cycling with improved journey times and clear links through junctions.

2.8.2 A budget of £835k was secured from Transport for London (TfL) to develop the above schemes. Unfortunately due to the complexity of Petts Hill Bridge scheme, which is funded from various sources including cycling, the £250k allocation from the LCN+ budget will not be utilised this financial year. The total budget/funding allocation to design, consult and implement cycle schemes listed is therefore £585k.

Scheme Title	Description of works	Budget (K)
Link 87 Headstone Drive / Harrow View	ASL's on all approaches to the junction with lead in arms on two approaches and some minor carriageway widening. £10k to be utilised to undertake further design checks to confirm effects on capacity through the junction.	£10
Link 87 Headstone Drive/ Princes Rd	Works Order has been issued, works consisting of signing, lining, coloured surfacing and anti skid are proposed, and currently being implemented.	£25

Link 87 Headstone Drive/ Cecil Road	Works Order has been issued, works consisting of signing, lining, coloured surfacing and anti skid are proposed, and currently being implemented.	£15
Link 87 Headstone Drive, Wealdstone High St, Canning Rd, George Gange Way, Peel Rd, Stuart Rd, Belmont Rd, Grasmere Gardens	Signage and local surface upgrades. Works consisting of mainly signing and lining Flat top speed table proposed Peel Road/Byron Road.	£25
Link 88 Implementation of CRISP study recommendations	Improve and upgrade existing facilities along link 88 as per the CRISP recommendations	£100
Link 89 Greenford Rd Sudbury Hill / Harrow Rd	Signing, lining and coloured surfacing/antiskid Recommendations of RSA incorporated into the design works order issue.	£10
Link 89 Roxborough Park junction	Design proposals for linking route 89 with route 88 from Lowlands Road to the underpass.	£15
Link 89 Greenhill Way access	Provide small access for cyclists using the Roxborough underpass linking onto the Greenhill Way approach to the signals junction of Headstone Road	£10
Link 87 Kenton Lane toucan crossing between Grasmere Gardens & Beverley Gardens	Proposals for toucan crossing replaced with a new Central island and a large pedestrian island. Works Order issued.	£60
Link 87 Wemborough Rd, Weston Dr, Whitchurch Lane	Works to include signing, lining, green surfacing and anti skid. Some minor widening is also proposed on the south side of the westbound approach arm along Whitchurch Lane and on the south side of the westbound exit arm along Wemborough Road. The Widening will require relocation of signals. Also removal of build out on Wemborough road zebra crossing.	£60
Link 87 Station Rd, Pinner Rd, North Harrow	Double yellow lines proposed on Hooking Green, Canterbury Rd, Pinner Rd, Station Rd and at the mouth of Gloucester Rd.	£15
Link 89 Kenton Rd / Watford Rd A404	Works include Signing and lining work, short section of cycle track on the north side of Kenton Road west of the pelican crossing, a shared pedestrian/cycle track on the south side of Kenton Road between the pelican crossing and Watford Road, Improvements also proposed to the existing subway. Works to tie in with Brent Councils proposals.	£120
Link 87 Headstone Drive, Wealdstone	Contribution from the cycling LCN+ budget to the Wealdstone High street proposals, which	£10

High St, Canning Rd	have included facilities for cyclists through the pedestrianised area.	
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Local Cycle Network			
	Scheme Title	Description of works	Budget (K)
1	Cycle Parking	Provision of cycle parking at strategic locations	£10

Cycling on Greenways			
	Scheme Title	Description of works	Budget (K)
	Newton Farm Ecology Park	Proposals for upgrading the existing dirt track through the ecology park to an illuminated shared pedestrian/cycle track during the early hours of the morning/evening. Works to run over into next financial year.	£100

2.9 Camrose Avenue – Local safety scheme

2.9.1 The traffic regulation orders (statutory consultation) will be advertised on 7th February for 3 weeks (27th). Subject to receiving no objections the works can commence in mid March. The scheme should be completed by end April 2008.

2.10 Stanmore Hill / The Common – Local safety scheme

2.10.1 Stanmore Hill / The Common is on this year's Local Safety Schemes programme for implementation this financial year following a successful bid to Transport for London to address the high number of personal injury accidents along its length. Details of the 2007/08 programme were circulated to TARSAP members in June.

2.10.2 All the schemes in the Local Safety Schemes programme are localised measures and involve essential and necessary alterations to the highway network to improve the safety of all road users. The scheme development work is focussed on the analysis of personal injury road traffic accidents data supplied by the Metropolitan Police and detailed assessments of how accidents have occurred and the layout of the environment in which they take place.

2.10.3 The proposed scheme includes:

- Zebra Crossing on Stanmore Hill 15m SE of junction with Spring Lake to replace existing pedestrian refuge island.
- Repeater signs within existing 40mph Speed Limit, aimed at reducing speed and to comply with signing regulations.
- Advance signing of junctions to reduce junction-related accidents.

- Waiting restrictions at junctions to improve visibility.
- Waiting restriction along frontage of Abercorn Arms PH, a location of a number of accidents involving vehicles emerging onto Stanmore Hill.
- Vehicle Activated Sign on southbound approach to Stanmore Hill shops / Abercorn Arms PH to reduce vehicle speed.
- Central island hatching on The Common (western half) to reduce vehicle speed and separate opposing flows.
- “Ghost Island” turning pockets on The Common at junctions with Heathbourne Road, RAF Bentley Priory and Alpine Close.
- Improved advance signing of existing No Right Turn into The Common from Common Road to better advise motorists of alternative route: a number of injury accidents have been recorded involving this manoeuvre.
- Removal of obsolete and superfluous signs.
- Upgrade of existing pedestrian refuges to comply with current Department for Transport guidance on tactile paving.
- New pedestrian refuge islands to provide traffic calming effect and crossing location:
 - The Common 70m SE of junction with Alpine Walk,
 - The Common 50m NW of junction with Heathbourne Road,
 - Stanmore Hill 15m NW of junction with Springfield Close (upgrade of existing traffic island to accommodate pedestrians),
 - Stanmore Hill 40m NW of junction with Hewett Close.

2.10.4 Public consultation is currently underway. For information the proposals are shown in **Appendix C** and were sent to local ward members for comment prior to distribution.

SECTION 3 – FURTHER INFORMATION

None

SECTION 4 - CONTACT DETAILS AND BACKGROUND PAPERS

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Background Papers:

LSS Annual report 2007/ 08

Event Day Parking – Wembley National Stadium and London 2012 Olympic games – feasibility report