EEC/10/67/HQ North Devon Highways and Traffic Orders Committee 23 March 2010

## "Devon on the Move", Devon Local Transport Plan (DLTP) Proposed Programme for 2010/11

Report of the Area Engineer (North)

Please note that the following recommendations are subject to confirmation and determination by the Committee before taking effect.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Committee:

- (a) notes the funding provisions which have been included in the Cabinet report EEC/10/43/HQ ("Devon on the Move" Devon Local Transport Plan Proposed Programme for 2010/11), as described in Sections 1 to 3 of this report; and
- (b) approves the local allocations for the North Devon HATOC area, as listed in the table in Section 5 of this report.

### 1. Summary

This report outlines the proposed programme for the fifth year of "Devon on the Move", the statutory Local Transport Plan for Devon, for 2006-2011 in accordance with the local transport capital settlement for Devon, announced by Government on 27 November 2007. The programme was approved at the Cabinet meeting on 10 March 2010.

## 2. Background

A report was presented to Cabinet on 10 March 2010 outlining the County Council's "Devon on the Move" programme for 2010/11. The programme for the North Devon area, which is included in this report, is comprised of a number of separate categories. The individual category scheme lists include an element of over programming to allow for any unavoidable slippage and forward design requirements. All schemes included in the LTP must assist in meeting at least one of the seven LTP objectives, four are shared national objectives and three are local objectives. They are:

- Tackling traffic congestion.
- · Delivering accessibility.
- Making roads safer.
- Improving air quality.
- Improving recreation, leisure and tourism.
- Promoting health and well-being.
- · Improving public space.

In addition each of the schemes meets one of the three Strategic Plan priorities

- Promote Green Travel
- Improve Roads
- Reduce congestion

#### 3. Funding Allocations and Programme Objectives

#### Highway Structural Maintenance and Bridge Assessment and Strengthening

	LTP Allocation 2010/11 (000's)
Total	5,061

Schemes in this programme provide for Highway Structural Maintenance and Bridge Assessment and Strengthening, together with the development of urban enhancements.

## Casualty Reduction

	LTP Allocation 2010/11 (000's)
Total	192

The schemes have been designed to reduce casualties on roads in Devon and to improve safety on key routes. Casualty reduction schemes are based and prioritised on an analysis of predicted casualty savings. The programme for 2010/11 reflects schemes which offer high rates of return.

#### Barnstaple and Bideford Area

	LTP Allocation 2010/11
	(000's)
Total	519

The Barnstaple and Bideford programme in 2010/11 focuses on improving walking and cycling links and access to and the operation of public transport services. The programme also includes measures to improve the efficiency of highway network and driver information.

#### Towns, Villages and Rural Communities

	LTP Allocation 2010/11 (000's)	
Total	189	

The Towns, Villages and Rural Communities programme provides for LTP schemes outside the main centres covered by the four Area Programmes. It comprises a package of schemes to improve road safety, improve air quality, improve the quality of public spaces and tackle congestion.

The improvements to road safety are targeted at delivering priority school travel plan schemes and promoting healthy travel modes by changing attitudes to travel. There are also a range of schemes in the programme that improve accessibility.

#### 4. The Overall Programme for the HATOC Area

The planned expenditure for the North Devon HATOC area arising out of the above countywide allocation totals £5,961k. Details are set out in the table below.

All estimates are preliminary coarse estimates. Detailed designs need to be completed, and works commissioned before likely final costs can be determined. Authority to amend the programme to maximise delivery has been delegated to the Executive Director of Environment, Economy and Culture for specified programmes.

## North Devon HATOC Local Transport Plan Programme Elements 2010/11

Programme/Scheme	£000's	
Highway Structural Maintena Bridge Assessment/Strengtho		
Principal Road Major Schemes	3 23 2	2,275
Principal Road Pre Patching &		190
Surface Dressing		
Principal Roads General allocation		150
Non Principal Road Recovery Allocation		591
Non Principal Road Pre Patching & Surface Dressing		1,040
A386 Bideford Long Bridge	Cantilever Strengthening	300
Padley Bridge		15
Retaining walls		500
	Sub Total HSM	5,061
<b>Casualty Reduction and Rout</b>	e Management Programme	
A361 Ilfracombe – Mullacott Cross	Road markings in conjunction with HSM	2
A361 Route Study – Braunton to Mullacott Cross	Foxhunters Inn HFS surface treatment	18
A361 Braunton – Exeter Road	Remove parking, extend cycle lanes	8
Barnstaple – High Street	Raised junction plateau and revised access to Cross Street	21
Barnstaple – Boutport St/Bear St/Queen St	Signing, Lining, TRO's and traffic calming	70
B3232 Route Study – Huntshav Cross to Roundswell	Signing & lining treatments	33
A361 Braunton – the Square	Pedestrian phase on lights on Caen Street	40
	Sub Total Casualty Reduction	192
Barnstaple & Bideford Area P	rogramme (North Devon Area)	
See Appendix 1 for full programme (including over programming)	(Excluding schemes in Torridge area)	519
	Sub Total Ba & B Area Programme	519
Towns, Villages and Rural Co	mmunities	
See details in section 5	189	
North Devon HATOC Area To	tal	5,961

# 5. Detailed Programmes for School Travel Plans; Public Transport Facilities; and Local Access Improvements

Schemes with coarse preliminary estimates are summarised in the following table.

Towns, Villages and Rural Co	ommunities programme				
Programme/Scheme	Scheme Details	£000's			
Local Access Improvement					
Wrafton Braunton footpath improvement	Footpath link improvement	10			
Bus Infrastructure					
Lynton Bottom Meadow	New stone bus shelter in National Park	8			
Bratton Fleming Sentry Cross	Bus stop hard standing	2			
B3227 Atherington	New bus shelter	4			
Marlborough Road Ilfracombe	New bus lay-by (Part Section106 funding)	25			
Public Realm					
Lynton village	Old village highway enhancement scheme	100			
Fore Street Ilfracombe	ND plus streetscape enhancement scheme	40			
	Sub Total TVRC Programme	189			
On-Street Parking Account School Travel Plans					
South Street South Molton	Zebra crossing	22			
Chulmleigh School	Traffic calming	20			

#### 6. Sustainability Considerations

The objectives and strategies of "Devon on the Move" aim to improve travel choices and reduce unnecessary use of the private car as a contribution to improving Devon's environmental, social and economic well being.

## 7. Carbon Impact Considerations

The programmes in this report have been designed bearing in mind the effect of carbon emissions and overall have a positive impact.

#### 8. Equality Considerations

An Equality Impact and Needs Assessment (EINA) was undertaken for the Local Transport Plan 2006-2011, which set out the 2010/11 programmes. No negative impacts were identified.

## 9. Reasons for Reaching the Recommendation

The recommendations promoted in this report have followed the principles and objectives set out in "Devon on the Move". The programme proposed in this report continues the implementation of the agreed objectives throughout the North Devon area as part of the Devon Local Transport Plan 2006-2011.

## 10. Alternative Options Considered

The programmes set out in this report have been developed to maximise the efficiency of transport across all modes, whilst following the principles of the strategies set out in the Plan. The programmes are under continuous review to reflect transport need and changing circumstances.

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## **Electoral Divisions: All in North Devon**

Local Government Act 1972

List of Background Papers

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1. "Devon on the Move" March 2006 - Devon Local Transport 2006-2011

 2008/09-2010/11 Settlement letter from Government Office for 27 November 2007 the South West

 Devon on the Move" - Devon Local Transport Plan (DLTP) 10 March 2010 Proposed Programme for 2010/11 (EEC/10/ /HQ)

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## **Barnstaple and Bideford Area Programme 2010/11**

- Improve walking and cycling links
  Improve access to and operation of public transport services
  Improve the efficiency of the highway network and driver information

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Scheme Name	Cost (£000s)	Objectives	Accessibility	Congestion	Road Safety	Air Quality	Health/Wellbeing	Leisure/Tourism	Public Spaces	Comments	Green Travel	Improve roads	Reduce congestion
Park & Ride in Barnstaple	20	Reduce town centre traffic and congestion	✓	✓				<b>✓</b>		Investigation/ appraisal/ assessment of Park & Ride in Barnstaple	<b>✓</b>		<b>✓</b>
Pilton Park bridge	150	Improve cycling facilities	✓	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>		✓	<b>✓</b>		Strategic cycle link	<b>√</b>		
Barnstaple Bus Station & Boutport Street	40	Improve access and reduce delays to bus services		<b>✓</b>						Reduce delays in Boutport Street for buses and improve access to bus station	<b>✓</b>		
Bickington Cycle Route Phase 2	75	Improve cycling links between Sticklepath and Bickington	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>√</b>		<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>		Completion of works started in 09/10	<b>✓</b>		
A39 Roundswell	35	Improve traffic flow		<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>					Scheme to reduce peak hour congestion			<b>✓</b>
A386 Heywood Road cycle link	35	Improve cycle links	<b>√</b>	<b>✓</b>	✓		<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>		Cycle link between Northam and Bideford	<b>√</b>		
Barnstaple Rail Station	70	Improve access to Barnstaple Rail station and rail services	<b>✓</b>	<b>√</b>				<b>√</b>		Rail station improvements and passenger information system	<b>✓</b>		

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Scheme Name	Cost (£000s)	Objectives	Accessibility	Congestion	Road Safety	Air Quality	Health/Wellbeing	Leisure/Tourism	Public Spaces	Comments		Improve roads	Reduce congestion	
ITS VMS	More efficient management of the highway network		Further provision of VMS			<b>✓</b>								
Fairview pedestrian crossing	40	Improve walking routes	<b>√</b>		✓					Strategic pedestrian linking schools to town centre				
Cooper St Bideford 25 Improve attractiveness of public space								<b>√</b>	Pedestrianisation & street scope enhancement	✓				
Forward Design	15	Investigate and prepare designs for future schemes								Schemes preparation for future LTP Programmes				
Total	579													
Approved LTP Allocation	450									28% over budget				