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Date: Wednesday 31 January 2024

Dear Sir or Madam,

Your attendance is requested at a meeting of the **CASTLE MORPETH LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE** to be held in **COUNCIL CHAMBER - COUNTY HALL** on **MONDAY, 12 FEBRUARY 2024** at **4.30 PM OR on the rising of the Castle Morpeth Local Area Planning Committee whichever is the later.**

Yours faithfully

Dr Helen Paterson
Chief Executive

To Castle Morpeth Local Area Committee members as follows:-

D Bawn, J Beynon, L Darwin, S Dickinson, R Dodd, L Dunn, J Foster, P Jackson, V Jones, M Murphy, G Sanderson, D Towns and R Wearmouth



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AGENDA

PART I

It is expected that the matters included in this part of the agenda will be dealt with in public.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. MINUTES

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The minutes of the Castle Morpeth Local Area Committee held on Monday 15 January 2024, as circulated, to be agreed and signed by the Chair.

3. DISCLOSURE OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

Unless already entered in the Council's Register of Members' interests, members are required where a matter arises at a meeting;

- a. Which **directly relates to** Disclosable Pecuniary Interest ('DPI') as set out in Appendix B, Table 1 of the Code of Conduct, to disclose the interest, not participate in any discussion or vote and not to remain in room. Where members have a DPI or if the matter concerns an executive function and is being considered by a Cabinet Member with a DPI they must notify the Monitoring Officer and arrange for somebody else to deal with the matter.
- b. Which **directly relates to** the financial interest or well being of a Other Registrable Interest as set out in Appendix B, Table 2 of the Code of Conduct to disclose the interest and only speak on the matter if members of the public are also allowed to speak at the meeting but otherwise must not take part in any discussion or vote on the matter and must not remain the room.
- c. Which **directly relates to** their financial interest or well-being (and is not DPI) or the financial well being of a relative or close associate, to declare the interest and members may only speak on the matter if members of the public are also allowed to speak. Otherwise, the member must not take part in discussion or vote on the matter and must leave the room.
- d. Which **affects** the financial well-being of the member, a relative or close associate or a body included under the Other Registrable Interests column in Table 2, to disclose the interest and apply the test set out at paragraph 9 of Appendix B before deciding whether they may remain in the meeting.
- e. Where Members have or a Cabinet Member has an Other Registrable Interest or Non Registrable Interest in a matter being considered in exercise of their executive function, they must notify

the Monitoring Officer and arrange for somebody else to deal with it.

NB Any member needing clarification must contact monitoringofficer@northumberland.gov.uk. Members are referred to the Code of Conduct which contains the matters above in full. Please refer to the guidance on disclosures at the rear of this agenda letter.

4. LOCAL TRANSPORT PLAN PROGRAMME AND HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE INVESTMENT IN U AND C ROADS AND FOOTWAYS PROGRAMME 2024-25

(Pages 9
- 28)

This report sets out the details of the draft Local Transport Plan (LTP) and Highway Maintenance Investment in U and C Roads and Footways programmes for 2024-25 for consideration and comment by the Local Area Committee, prior to final approval of the programme by the Executive Director for Place and Regeneration in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Improving our Roads and Highways.

5. URGENT BUSINESS (IF ANY)

To consider such other business, as in the opinion of the Chair, should, by reason of special circumstances, be considered as a matter of urgency.

IF YOU HAVE AN INTEREST AT THIS MEETING, PLEASE:

- Declare it and give details of its nature before the matter is discussed or as soon as it becomes apparent to you.
- Complete this sheet and pass it to the Democratic Services Officer.

Name:		Date of meeting:	
Meeting:			
Item to which your interest relates:			
Nature of Interest i.e. either disclosable pecuniary interest (as defined by Table 1 of Appendix B to the Code of Conduct, Other Registerable Interest or Non-Registerable Interest (as defined by Appendix B to Code of Conduct) (please give details):			
Are you intending to withdraw from the meeting?		Yes - <input type="checkbox"/>	No - <input type="checkbox"/>

Registering Interests

Within 28 days of becoming a member or your re-election or re-appointment to office you must register with the Monitoring Officer the interests which fall within the categories set out in **Table 1 (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests)** which are as described in "The Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012". You should also register details of your other personal interests which fall within the categories set out in **Table 2 (Other Registerable Interests)**.

"Disclosable Pecuniary Interest" means an interest of yourself, or of your partner if you are aware of your partner's interest, within the descriptions set out in Table 1 below.

"Partner" means a spouse or civil partner, or a person with whom you are living as husband or wife, or a person with whom you are living as if you are civil partners.

1. You must ensure that your register of interests is kept up-to-date and within 28 days of becoming aware of any new interest, or of any change to a registered interest, notify the Monitoring Officer.
2. A 'sensitive interest' is as an interest which, if disclosed, could lead to the councillor, or a person connected with the councillor, being subject to violence or intimidation.
3. Where you have a 'sensitive interest' you must notify the Monitoring Officer with the reasons why you believe it is a sensitive interest. If the Monitoring Officer agrees they will withhold the interest from the public register.

Non participation in case of disclosable pecuniary interest

4. Where a matter arises at a meeting which directly relates to one of your Disclosable Pecuniary Interests as set out in **Table 1**, you must disclose the interest, not participate in any discussion or vote on the matter and must not remain in the room unless you have been granted a dispensation. If it is a 'sensitive interest', you do not have to disclose the nature of the interest, just that you have an interest.

Dispensation may be granted in limited circumstances, to enable you to participate and vote on a matter in which you have a disclosable pecuniary interest.

5. Where you have a disclosable pecuniary interest on a matter to be considered or is being considered by you as a Cabinet member in exercise of your executive function, you must notify the Monitoring Officer of the interest and must not take any steps or further steps in the matter apart from arranging for someone else to deal with it.

Disclosure of Other Registerable Interests

6. Where a matter arises at a meeting which **directly relates** to the financial interest or wellbeing of one of your Other Registerable Interests (as set out in **Table 2**), you must disclose the interest. You may speak on the matter only if members of the public are also allowed to speak at the meeting but otherwise must not take part in any discussion or vote on the matter and must not remain in the room unless you have been granted a dispensation. If it is a 'sensitive interest', you do not have to disclose the nature of the interest.

Disclosure of Non-Registerable Interests

7. Where a matter arises at a meeting which **directly relates** to your financial interest or well-being (and is not a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest set out in **Table 1**) or a financial interest or well-being of a relative or close associate, you must disclose the interest. You may speak on the matter only if members of the public are also allowed to speak at the meeting. Otherwise you must not take part in any discussion or vote on the matter and must not remain in the room unless you have been granted a dispensation. If it is a 'sensitive interest', you do not have to disclose the nature of the interest.
8. Where a matter arises at a meeting which **affects** –
- a. your own financial interest or well-being;
 - b. a financial interest or well-being of a relative or close associate; or
 - c. a financial interest or wellbeing of a body included under Other Registrable Interests as set out in **Table 2** you must disclose the interest. In order to determine whether you can remain in the meeting after disclosing your interest the following test should be applied
9. Where a matter (referred to in paragraph 8 above) **affects** the financial interest or well- being:
- a. to a greater extent than it affects the financial interests of the majority of inhabitants of the ward affected by the decision and;
 - b. a reasonable member of the public knowing all the facts would believe that it would affect your view of the wider public interest

You may speak on the matter only if members of the public are also allowed to speak at the meeting. Otherwise, you must not take part in any discussion or vote on the matter and must not remain in the room unless you have been granted a dispensation.

If it is a 'sensitive interest', you do not have to disclose the nature of the interest.

Where you have an Other Registerable Interest or Non-Registerable Interest on a matter to be considered or is being considered by you as a Cabinet member in exercise of your executive function, you must notify the Monitoring Officer of the interest and must not take any steps or further steps in the matter apart from arranging for someone else to deal with it.

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY COUNCIL

CASTLE MORPETH LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE

At the meeting of the **Castle Morpeth Local Area Committee** held at Council Chamber - County Hall on Monday, 15 January 2024 at 5.00 pm.

PRESENT

J Beynon (Chair) (in the Chair)

MEMBERS

D Bawn
R Dodd
M Murphy
D Towns

L Darwin
V Jones
G Sanderson
R Wearmouth

OFFICERS

L Little

Senior Democratic Services Officer

Around 2 members of the press and public were present.

10 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Dickinson, Dunn, Foster and Jackson.

11 MINUTES

The minutes of the Castle Morpeth Local Area Council held on Monday 20 November 2023, as circulated, were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chair.

12 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

No questions had been submitted in advance and none were asked at the meeting.

13 PETITIONS

(a) Receive New Petitions – No petitions were received.

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Ch.'s Initials.....

(b) Petitions Previously Received – None

(c) Receive any updates on petitions for which a report was previously considered – There were no updates.

14 NORTHUMBRIA POLICE

Sergeant L Robson and Inspector K Benson were in attendance to provide updates on policing within various localities of the Castle Morpeth area. An update had also been circulated in advance of the meeting from Inspector W Daniels who was unable to attend which covered the areas of Lynemouth, Ellington, Stakeford and Choppington.

Sergeant L Robson advised that within the Morpeth area itself there had been an increase of 6.82% which equated to 200 more reported incidents. This had included an increase in the number of public safety/mental health incidents however, a new scheme where the right care/right person from partner agencies would respond to incidents of this type instead of the Police was to be introduced. There had been a 27% increase (31 incidents) of anti-social behaviour (ASB) and reports of youth disorder especially around the bus station was being dealt with and enforcement action being taken. Additional patrols from the Community Safety Officer and extra staff had been deployed in this area. There had been a 0.5% increase in crime however this was due mainly to an increase in motor vehicle incidents and following the arrest of a person there had been no further incidents reported. There had also been an increase in violent crime linked to domestic incidents and work was ongoing to try to reduce this type of crime. There had been a reduction in the number of incidents related to theft and drugs. The target for the next 12 months was to be more proactive, and more enforcement action taken in relation to youth disorder with more community engagement undertaken.

Inspector K Benson advised that comparing the figures for the last 8 weeks with those for the last twelve months there had been within the northern part of her command which was the Belsay area 19 incidents in total with 12 linked to transport including 2 deaths and some serious injuries from accidents on the A696; 2 damage to motor vehicles and 8 road/highway offences following proactive testing and an increased police presence. There had been 5 public safety incidents, 2 reports of crime and no ASB. The previous year there had been 12 incidents in total. Within in the Matfen and Stamfordham area there had been 32 incidents with 17 transport; 2 ASB (1 motor cycle disorder and 1 neighbour dispute) compared to 20 incidents for the previous year. Within the Ponteland/Darras Hall area there had been 56 incidents with 43 crimes which was on par with similar sized population areas such as Hexham and Prudhoe. There had been 38 traffic incidents and 11 incidents of ASB which was quite low with very few incidents of youth ASB. ASB was the lowest it had been over the last 3 years and had been steadily declining since October with the peak being July/August. The team had increased numbers of staff with new officers deployed in Ponteland and a lot of work undertaken to reduce incidents. The priority for the next 12 months was to further reduce ASB working with schools to identify youths and introduce shift changes within the team to cover incidents related to retail theft. There was a community speed watch scheme within the town and a speed

van utilised in hot spot locations. Work would be undertaken with residents and Estates Committees in relation to burglary and there had been increased patrols following the recent burglary of a Newcastle United player's home in the area.

Councillors welcomed the presence of the Police at the meeting and highlighted that the numbers of poaching incidents in the area had reduced due to the wet weather. Meetings had been set up to try to get funding to stop the increasing incidents of thefts from shops which it was thought was being carried out by people from outside of the immediate area and the recent theft from a security van was highlighted along with the need to prosecute those involved. Concern was expressed regarding the number of road traffic accidents occurring on the A696. Inspector Benson advised that the only data she had was in respect of the 2 accidents within the previous 8 weeks, however she assured Members that the Police worked closely with Highways to look at road signage, street furniture and the safety of roads. Plain clothes operations had been undertaken in relation to incidents of thefts from shops which had resulted in some positive prosecutions. Prolific offenders were kept overnight for presentation to Court the next day and in the case of juveniles the Courts looked to provide diversionary activities. Shops did have CCTV and offenders advised that they would be charged.

Sergeant Robson advised that the Police needed to get better at passing accurate data on in relation to prosecutions and highlighted a monthly newsletter that was now being circulated in Amble and the possibility of that being done in the Castle Morpeth area. He also highlighted "Northumbria Connected" to which Members could sign up to online which provided regular updates. The operation previously known as Farm Watch was now part of Your Northumbria however there was still a rural crime team which was headed by Inspector Gary Neill. In response to a statement regarding the perception that the Police was not doing anything in relation to incidents in Morpeth by a known offender, it was highlighted that it was not possible to advise the public what the Police were doing in relation to gathering intelligence prior to an arrest. The Police also worked closely with the Probation Service and knew who was being released from prison and when and if any breaches in conditions occurred then they would be returned to Court.

In relation to a question from Councillor Murphy in relation to the use of the electric bikes and video cameras which had been purchased by Members of Council in the Choppington/Stakeford area for Police use to deal with ASB, this would be passed to Inspector Daniels for him to respond directly.

It was confirmed that there was a dedicated team in Neighbourhood Policing context which specifically dealt with child grooming and sexual exploitation. Any concerns raised by schools, families etc. would be shared with partner agencies depending on the type of concerns raised. A lot of proactive work was undertaken with schools in relation to the use of social media to target young people. It was stated that those who targeted young or vulnerable people usually had a set criteria on what they were looking for so it was possible there was no difference between numbers within urban or rural areas, but this data was not known by the Officers present.

Inspector Benson and Sergeant Robson were thanked for their attendance and updates they had provided.

Councillor Wearmouth, Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Corporate Services, provided a presentation on the Council's Corporate Plan and budget for 2024-25 where the options for achieving a balanced budget were given. (A copy of the presentation would be enclosed with the signed minutes.) He outlined the consultation process taking place between 12 December 2023 and 26 January 2024 which included presentations at all 5 of the Local Area Committees, an online questionnaire, policy conference, briefings for the political groups and individual meetings, and an online Question and Answer session by the Leader on 31 January 2024.

The Council's three priorities of Value for Money; Tackling Inequalities and Job Creation ran all through the proposed budget with more detailed information on proposed savings available within the Cabinet papers for the meeting on 16 January and further detail regarding initiatives and schemes would be presented at a meeting of the Corporate Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee which all Scrutiny members would be invited to.

Councils had four main sources of revenue, namely:

- Council Tax;
- Government grants;
- Business Rates; and
- Fees and charges for services

Members were advised that the Council constantly lobbied Government in relation to sustainable funding for local services. Increased pressures on budgets were in part due to rising energy costs and prices for supplies and services along with pay inflation. Savings would be made by reducing the cost of overheads and potential efficiencies in the way services were delivered and Members were advised there would be no cuts to front line services. The Council's reserves were in a healthy position and could be used where necessary to manage any transition.

The background to the Council's finances was provided with the baseline gross budget for 2023/24 as follows:-

- Enabling Services (Transformation) - £147.948 million - providing professional and technical services to support residents and businesses directly and enable frontline services.
- Adults - £235.033 million - supporting vulnerable adults to live independently; assessment and good quality care and support services; safeguarding vulnerable adults; and protecting care services.
- Children, Young People and Education - £269.210 million - providing good quality schools (with 94% currently rated good or outstanding); SEND provision; skills opportunities and supporting families; and investing in the future.
- Public Health, Inequalities and stronger Communities - £32.831 million- providing public health functions; Communities Together; leisure and culture; and partnerships with voluntary and community sector.
- Place and Regeneration - £131.699 million – supporting business start-up and growth; regenerating communities; investing in towns and villages;

investing in jobs and skills development and highways maintenance and improvements.

In response to a question related to not being able to rule out compulsory redundancies for staff it was commented that it would not be the intention of the Administration to use compulsory redundancies as the reduction in the number of staff could usually be managed through a natural process such as staff retiring or leaving the Authority. Whilst it was possible that previously the budget for Adults Services had been larger than for Children's Services, the numbers were accurate and reflected the increased spend on SEND and the investment in skills and schools.

There were various Council Tax schemes being operated by neighbouring authorities, however it was thought that Northumberland's scheme which offered discounts of 92% to 8%, was generous and straightforward for residents to understand. A hardship fund was also being provided and unspent funds from the previous year would also roll over giving a total of support of £26 million for residents, which was a huge element of the budget for those who needed the most help.

In response to a statement that the presentation lacked the detail a budget consultation should contain it was highlighted that information was available online and that the budget consultation survey was open to residents and Councillors and additional information had already been forwarded to Councillors with the opportunity to look in depth at the proposals at Scrutiny and Full Council. Further details in relation to services were then provided as follows:

Public Health, Inequalities and Stronger Communities

These services were impacted by rising energy costs and prices for supplies and services and like all services, budgets were impacted by pay inflation. Investment for a mobile library service vehicle was proposed through the capital programme. In terms of savings, it was proposed to deliver contract savings of £0.200 million and savings from BEST value for money reviews of £0.500 million. These proposals would contribute £0.700 million towards the Council's balanced budget from a total budget for these services of £32.8 million. There were no reductions in these services proposed.

Children, Young People and Education

- Budget pressures related to new children's homes that were being built / acquired to keep Northumberland children in the county which would reduce the cost of out of county placements; additional funding required for short break services for disabled children; the increased pressure resulting from a mandatory inflationary increase of 12.50% introduced by the Department for Education for foster care and special guardianship allowances; and a significant increase in funding was required for external residential placements for children with complex needs. Schools and housing for disabled children would continue to receive capital investment. Savings would be achieved through contract savings; making best use of grants; safely managing demand for services; delivering savings from BEST value for money reviews; making straightforward and sensible efficiencies; delivering service reviews; and effectively managing staff vacancies. In summary

these proposals would contribute £2.084 million savings towards the Council's balanced budget from a total budget for these services of £269.2 million. No service reductions in these services were being proposed.

Adults

The Real Living Wage had been factored in for Social Care contract budgets however these services were also impacted by rising energy costs and prices for supplies and services along with pay inflation. Savings measures would include making best use of grants of £0.09 million; safely managing demand for services of £3 million by doing things different such as providing better services allowing people to continue to live independently and not in residential homes and driving value in care packages and providing better integrated responses to individual needs to reduce the dependence on the Council. New income would be generated giving a total saving of £3.63 million towards the Council's total budget of £235 million. No service reductions in services were being proposed.

Proposals for the forthcoming year also included continuing to invest in the future of the county through the capital programme, including in Northumberland Fire and Rescue Service and modernisation of the Council's Network Infrastructure which would help drive efficiencies and business opportunities. Wide Area Network provision in all Council buildings was to be provided which could possibly have links for business and schools to join. Significant savings were proposed through the BEST programme, procurement, maximisation of income generation and the management of staff vacancies. No cuts to frontline services were being proposed. Councillor Wearmouth urged residents and Councillors to complete the budget questionnaire.

Members welcomed the additional level of detail provided and stressed the need for the correct type of messaging being provided so that the public understood that savings could be achieved by investment and were reassured that no reduction in front line services would result from the proposals.

16 **LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME**

The Chair reminded Members that anything they wished to be added to the work programme should be forwarded either to himself or L Little, Senior Democratic Services Officer. Councillor Towns advised that there had been meetings and further developments in connection with a petition regarding the Island outside of Blossom Park, Pegswood and asked that an update be provide to a future meeting.

The Chair advised that there was to be a Local Area Chairs' Briefing on 29 January which would be discussing the separation of the planning part of the meetings and any feedback from Members would be appreciated.

RESOLVED that the work programme be noted.

17 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

An additional meeting of the Local Area Committee specifically to consider the Local Transport Plan would take place following the scheduled Planning meeting on Monday 12 February 2024. The time would be confirmed.

CHAIR.....

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Northumberland County Council

Castle Morpeth Local Area Committee

Monday, 12 February 2024

LOCAL TRANSPORT PLAN PROGRAMME AND HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE INVESTMENT IN U AND C ROADS AND FOOTWAYS PROGRAMME 2024-25

Report of Councillor(s) John Riddle, Cabinet Member for Improving Roads and Highways

Responsible Officer(s): Simon Neilson, Executive Director - Place and Regeneration

1. Link to Key Priorities of the Corporate Plan

This report is relevant to the following key themes in the Corporate Plan for 2023-2026:

- 'Achieving Value for Money' - the proposed programme has been developed in accordance with Transport Asset Management Principles.
- 'Tackling inequalities' - the programme of improvements enhances accessibility for transport users
- 'Driving economic growth' - a well maintained and connected transport network supports economic growth

2. Purpose of report

This report sets out the details of the draft Local Transport Plan (LTP) and Highway Maintenance Investment in U and C Roads and Footways programmes for 2024-25 for consideration and comment by the Local Area Committee, prior to final approval of the programme by the Executive Director for Place and Regeneration in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Improving our Roads and Highways.

3. Recommendations

- 3.1 Members of the Local Area Committee are asked to comment on the proposals, so that their comments can be considered in the finalisation of the LTP 2024-25 programme and the additional £4.45m Highway Maintenance Investment in U and C Roads and Footways Programme to be carried out in 2024/25.

4. Key Issues

- 4.1 The Local Transport Plan grant allocation is determined for the Council by the Department of Transport (DfT). The draft LTP programme 2024/25 is based on a settlement from DfT of £26,256,124.
- 4.2 A sum of £62,500 of the overall allocation will be retained by the North East Joint Transport Committee to cover central transport costs of the Joint Transport Committee. A £26,193,624 Council Local Transport Plan programme has therefore been developed for 2024-25, consisting of improvements and maintenance schemes to address four key areas: Sustainable Transport; Safety; Roads; and Bridges, Structures & Landslips.
- 4.3 Appendix A to D sets out the details of the recommended LTP Programme for 2024-25.
- 4.4 The final LTP programme will need to be reviewed and refined as appropriate to reflect the actual level of funding received from DfT and following consideration of feedback from the LACs, before being finalised in late February 2024.
- 4.5 The Council is also intending to carry out an additional £4,450,000 “Highway Maintenance Investment in U and C Roads and Footways” programme utilising Council capital funding. The programme for this investment has been developed to address the deterioration of the lower categories of the network following a comprehensive review of the needs of all our roads and footways. Appendix E sets out the detail of this recommended programme.
- 4.6 The funding for the programmes is subject to approval of the Council’s capital programme at the County Council meeting on 21st February 2024.

5. Background

LTP PROGRAMME 2024 - 25

- 5.1 The draft LTP programme 2024/25 is based on a settlement from DfT of £26,256,124, which reflects a current baseline allocation of 21,780,000 for maintenance, a further additional £2,768,000 funding for 2024/25 for maintenance and £1,708,124 for integrated transport improvements. A sum of £62,500 of the integrated transport allocation will be retained by the North East Joint Transport Committee to cover central transport costs of the Joint Transport Committee, leaving a funding allocation for the Council’s 2024/25 LTP programme of £26,193,624.
- 5.2 The £26,193,624 Local Transport Plan programme developed for 2024-25 consists of improvements and maintenance schemes to address four key areas: Sustainable Transport; Safety; Roads; and Bridges, Structures & Landslips, the details of the 2024/25 LTP programme are set out in Appendix A to D.

5.3 The summary of proposed expenditure in 2024-25 across scheme types is as follows :

Appendix	Scheme Type	Proposed Expenditure
A	Sustainable Transport	£1,932,000
B	Safety	£1,995,000
C	Roads	£18,700,624
D	Bridges, Structures and Landslips	£3,566,000
	Total Programme	£26,193,624

- 5.4 The LTP programme has been developed following a comprehensive review of the needs for the maintenance of the highway asset, identified road safety issues and potential improvement of the highway and transport network. Requests for improvements and maintenance received from the local community over time are recorded in the Directory of Requests database. County Council Members and Town and Parish Councils are provided with details of requests made from their own areas throughout the last year and they are asked to take these into account when considering their priorities for the programme.
- 5.5 Priorities for the 2024-25 programme were invited from County Council Members and Town and Parish Councils during summer 2023 and those put forward have been assessed against criteria from the Local Transport Plan and Transport Asset Management Plan (TAMP). These are then combined with consideration of road safety improvement needs, based on accident statistics and other data sources, and the asset management needs of the overall highway network, based on inspections, condition data and the network hierarchy, to determine an overall programme of capital investment.
- 5.6 It should be noted that in some cases the budget allocations contained in the Appendices to this report are estimates only. At this stage it is the issue or problem that has been prioritised for inclusion in the programme and the design process will provide options for finding a solution. The assessment of options takes account of a number of factors including value for money and affordability. Costs will be firmed up as the proposals proceed through the design process.
- 5.7 It should also be noted that any schemes from the 2023-24 programme which are not completed by the end of the financial year will continue to be implemented in 2024-25 and are not detailed in this report.
- 5.8 A brief description of the types of highways and transport issues addressed by the LTP programme is set out below.
- 5.9 Priority for Integrated Transport is given to schemes that contribute to the achievements of the LTP objectives. The objectives reflect local needs and are related to North East Transport Plan (NETP) goals. The NETP is centred on connecting people to good employment opportunities, generating economic growth, while enabling the region and its people to move to healthier and greener more sustainable ways of travel.
- 5.10 The improvement part of the programme is aimed at creating improvements for all types of users of the highway network. The allocations are split between different types of proposals aimed at making improvements for sustainable transport, as well

as improvements for vehicular users such as public transport and road users. The improvements are designed to make the highway environment more attractive to pedestrians and cyclists, address areas of congestion and meet new and increased demands.

- 5.11 The Highway Capital Maintenance programme is split between different types of proposals aimed at maintaining the highway infrastructure by achieving objectives set out in the Council's Transport Asset Management Plan (TAMP). Funds are allocated across the programme by applying a scoring process that has been developed following asset management principles in order to deliver the TAMP objectives.
- 5.12 The majority of the highway maintenance programme is aimed at addressing the structural decline of our roads as they form the largest part of our highway assets. We also take account of the needs of the other asset groups such as footways and cycleways, drainage, structures and traffic management assets. A risk based approach is used to determine priorities for maintenance and is based on priorities at a strategic level, transport network level and asset maintenance level.
- 5.13 It should be noted that proposed expenditure for Maintenance within the programme is £24,221,624 and for Integrated Transport is £1,972,000. These are generally in line with the expected allocations, but with Integrated Transport slightly exceeding the allocation and Maintenance expenditure set to balance this.

Sustainable Transport

- 5.14 Improvements for sustainable transport are a significant feature within the LTP programme. This year the draft LTP for 2024-25 has a specific allocation of £1,932,000 for sustainable transport as set out in Appendix A attached to this report.
- 5.15 This allocation includes £327,000 for schemes that provide improvements for sustainable transport including walking and cycling, as well as £1,605,000 for maintaining existing footpaths (rights of way), footways (along the side of the road) and cycleways (either part of the road or adjacent to it). The maintenance allocation includes a £200,000 contribution to a wider regeneration funded scheme to improve the cobbles at Bondgate Within in Alnwick.
- 5.16 Alongside these specific allocations, it should be noted that much of the Safety element of the programme in Appendix B will also contribute to ensuring that the highway environment is improved in a way that will encourage more walking and cycling.
- 5.17 It should be noted that the Council continues with its initiative to produce Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plans (LCWIPs) in Northumberland's main towns. Focusing on the main towns will ensure that key employment sites, travel to work areas, school transport interchanges and significant new housing developments are all considered. It is anticipated that as the LCWIPs develop then they will become a key consideration in future when bidding for external funding, seeking developer contributions and allocating funds within future LTP programmes for cycling and walking schemes.
- 5.18 Major new cycleways are currently being implemented at Ponteland to Callerton, North Seaton Road Ashington, A193 south of Bondicar Terrace Blyth, Hexham to Corbridge, Bedlington and Blyth Town Centre to Bebside through funding streams

including Active Travel Fund, Transforming Cities Fund, Levelling Up Fund and Energising Blyth.

- 5.19 It should be noted that a number of County Councillors and Town and Parish Councils put forward priorities for the introduction of new cycleways and footways which when assessed were considered to be beyond the funding scope that would be available through the LTP capital programme. The details of these potential cycleways and footways have been captured separately and recorded so that they can also be considered should any other appropriate sources of external funding or bidding opportunities for such schemes become available.
- 5.20 The details of the draft LTP Sustainable Transport Programme of £1,932,000 for 2024-25 is set out in Appendix A, attached to this report.

Safety

- 5.21 An allocation of £1,995,000 has been made to improve safety on the highway network. Details of the programme are set out in Appendix B attached to this report.
- 5.22 £1,245,000 is aimed at reducing the number and severity of road traffic casualties, through a programme of local safety schemes. Funding available for safety improvements to High Risk Sites will be at an increased level of £600,000 compared to £400,000 in 2023-24. It also includes allocations of £200,000 for Rural Road Safety Improvements and £100,000 for Urban Road Safety Improvements.
- 5.23 £400,000 has been allocated to improve traffic management and traffic calming measures. Much of this funding will also create safer conditions where road safety concerns have been identified which will in turn encourage more walking and cycling.
- 5.24 A £350,000 allocation has been included to continue with the general refurbishment and renewal of existing signage and the replenishment of existing road markings. Both of these activities seek to improve the general safety for the highway user.

Roads

- 5.25 This section of the programme is the largest part of the programme with an allocation of £18,700,624 for maintenance of existing roads, including drainage, traffic lights and car park maintenance.
- 5.26 The programme is guided by the principles of effective asset management and is made up of £8,686,000 for named carriageway repair and drainage schemes (of which £3,135,000 is on major roads and the resilient road network and £5,551,000 on other local roads); £4,655,000 for surface dressing; £565,000 for micro surfacing and retexturing; and finally £4,794,624 of general refurbishment which includes drainage, traffic signals, car parks and footways as well as preparatory work for the next year's surface treatment programme.
- 5.27 A trial was carried out during summer 2023 which has indicated that an enhanced programme of planned structural patching would be beneficial to the condition and ride quality of the highway network. Programmes of structural patching are already carried out through the General Carriageway Refurbishment element of the LTP roads programme and Small Works element of the U and C Roads programme, but a further enhanced programme of structural patching will be considered utilising any further additional funding that is allocated to highway maintenance above the levels shown in this report.

- 5.28 The details of the draft Roads Programme for 2024-25 is set out in Appendix C attached to this report.

Bridges, Structures and Landslips

- 5.29 An allocation of £2,816,000 has been made for bridge maintenance. Again, effective asset management is the main driver. This includes a programme that also addresses the maintenance backlog by providing bridge strengthening to a number of bridges as this continues to remain a key objective.
- 5.30 There is also an allocation of £750,000 for addressing landslips to enable stabilisation work as a cost effective approach to prevent the deterioration and potential loss of use of the network at critical locations throughout the County.
- 5.31 The details of the Bridges, Structures and Landslips Programme of £3,566,000 for 2024-25 is set out in Appendix D, attached to this report.

Highway Maintenance Investment in U and C Roads and Footways

- 5.32 The “Highway Maintenance Investment in U and C Roads and Footways” programme will provide repairs to those minor roads and footways already in poor condition, which will improve the overall condition of this network, building resilience and reducing long term costs. This will help to reduce the number of potholes that arise, improve condition and ride quality and minimise the need for future repairs in these areas. Identification and prioritisation of schemes has taken into account asset management principles in order to deliver Northumberland’s Transport Asset Management Plan (TAMP) objectives.
- 5.33 The programme to address deterioration across the lower categories of our network has been split into three packages of work:
- a. Carriageway Repairs which will address some of the worst sections of the minor road network, providing essential structural maintenance and resurfacing works over and above that already planned within the LTP.
 - b. Footway Repairs to address some of the footways in the County’s towns and villages which are considered to be in the most urgent need of repair.
 - c. Small Works to Minor Roads which will allow us to address those more discrete areas situated on the minor road network that are identified by the Area Teams to be in poor condition. Works will consist of smaller areas of resurfacing and structural patching
- 5.34 The details of the Highway Maintenance Investment in U and C Roads and Footways Programme of £4,450,000 for 2024-25 is set out in Appendix E, attached to this report.

Next Steps

- 5.35 Following consideration by Local Area Committees at their meetings in February, any comments received will be considered and the final 2024-25 programmes for the Local Transport Plan and Highway Maintenance Investment in U and C Roads and Footways will be prepared for consideration and approval by the Portfolio Holder for Improving our Roads and Highways and the Executive Director for Place and Regeneration.
- 5.36 Following agreement of the final programme, all County Council members and Town and Parish Councils who put forward priorities for the LTP programme will then be

provided with further information regarding the outcome of the assessment of their submission and whether it has been possible to include their priority schemes within the programme this year.

6. Implications

Policy	The proposed programme is consistent with existing policies
Finance and value for money	The LTP Programme allocations are within the expected budget available for 2024-25
Legal	The LTP is delivered by the County Council using its powers and in fulfilment of its statutory duties as a Highways Authority, primarily under the provisions of the Highways Act 1980
Procurement	None
Human resources	None
Property	None
The Equalities Act: is a full impact assessment required and attached?	No - not required at this point As a key issue for Northumberland, the needs of those that are socially excluded have been taken into account in the development of this programme. Improvement to footways will improve accessibility for pedestrians and those with mobility issues
Risk assessment	The programme has been developed to minimise risks to the travelling public whether they are travelling on our roads or footways. Risks to the delivery of any individual scheme within the programme will be considered during scheme development. By managing risk at a scheme level, the risks to delivery of the overall programme will be controlled.
Crime and disorder	None
Customer considerations	The delivery of the programme will improve the highways and transport network in Northumberland for the benefit of the travelling public
Carbon reduction	Schemes to improve infrastructure for walking and cycling and road safety measures encourage more active travel.
Health and wellbeing	Schemes to encourage more active travel through improved infrastructure for walking and cycling, road safety measures

	and improvement to the condition of footways and roads all act to improve the overall health and wellbeing of our communities
Wards	(All Wards);

7. Background papers

Not applicable

8. Links to other key reports already published

Not Applicable

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		Appendix A
Local Transport Plan Programme 2024-25		
Sustainable Transport		£1,932,000
Improvements for Pedestrians & Cyclists		
Location	Proposed Improvement	Budget Estimate
Various Countywide	Dropped kerbs	£60,000
Fenkle Street/Market Street junction, Alnwick	Junction Improvement Phase 1	£10,000
Fountainhead Bank, Seaton Sluice	Pedestrian crossing improvements	£30,000
B6341 Front Street, Rothbury	Pedestrian crossing improvements	£85,000
A1068 Hipsburn	Bus stop improvement phase 2	£10,000
Duchess High School to Willowburn Avenue	Bridleway surface improvement	£40,000
Cramlington	Subway improvements Phase 1	£5,000
Osborne Road, Tweedmouth	New footway in highway verge	£32,000
Holeyn Hall Crossroads	New footway to bus stops	£40,000
Moorhouse Lane, Ashington	New footway in highway verge	£15,000
		£327,000
Maintenance of Footpaths, Footways and Cycleways		
Rights of Way		
Reference	Proposed Improvement	Budget Estimate
Various	ROW signage works	£15,000
Various	ROW surface construction works	£50,000
Various	ROW structure installation	£45,000
Various	ROW accessibility improvements	£20,000
NNPA	Various ROW works in National Park	£10,000
Blanchland	Route re construction.	£145,000
Alnmouth	Surface improvement works	£100,000
Blyth / Wansbeck	FP & BR surface improvements	£20,000
	Total	£405,000
Footway Maintenance		
Road No	Location	Budget Estimate
U6109	Abbey Meadows, Morpeth (Phase)	£80,000
B1331	Stead Lane, Bedlington (Further phase)	£60,000
B1339	Lesbury village	£80,000
B6531	Leazes Crescent and Burnland Terrace, Hexham	£90,000
U6513	Haydon Road / Norham Road, Ashington	£60,000
U9551	Loughrigg Avenue, Beaconhill Grange, Cramlington (Phase)	£60,000
B1340	Links Road, Bamburgh	£80,000
B6305	Hencotes, Hexham (Further phase)	£80,000
C410	Newsham Road, Blyth (Further phase)	£70,000
U6067	The Avenues, Stobhill (Phase)	£100,000
U6520	Holmcroft, Newbiggin	£40,000
U3147	Bondgate Cobbles, Alnwick (contribution)	£200,000
	Total	£1,000,000
General Cycleway and Footway Refurbishment Work		£200,000
A countywide programme of sites selected on a priority basis.		
Improvements for Sustainable Transport Total		£1,932,000

Local Transport Plan Programme 2024-25		Appendix B
Safety		£1,995,000
Local Safety Schemes		
Location	Proposed Improvement	Budget Estimate
Various countywide	High Risk & Route Action Sites	£600,000
A197/A1068 Ashington	Various safety improvements	£160,000
A192 Holywell	Safety improvements	£30,000
Radcliffe Road, Haydon Bridge	Safety improvements	£30,000
Swinhoe crossroads	Junction safety improvements phase 1	£20,000
Klondyke bridge	Anti-climb measures	£50,000
Various countywide, including:	Urban road safety measures	£100,000
<i>Cramlington town centre congestion phase 1</i>		
<i>Guardrail, Burnside, Bedlington Station</i>		
<i>Morpeth Road, Guide Post</i>		
<i>Darras Road/Western Way junction phase 1</i>		
<i>South Newsham - B1523/Collingwood green Rbt</i>		
<i>A192 Shields Road Morpeth Pedestrian crossing improvement phase 2</i>		
<i>Newsham School Blyth Footway Improvements</i>		
<i>Shankea Primary School cycleway improvements</i>		
Various countywide, including: West <i>Chevington gateways</i>	Rural road safety measures	£200,000
<i>A1068 High Buston junction phase 2</i>		
<i>Ogle village phase 2</i>		
<i>Otterburn bridge</i>		
<i>B6318 Thirlwall View to Longbyre</i>		
<i>Waren Mill phase 2</i>		
<i>Hardhaugh phase 2</i>		
<i>B6524 Morpeth Golf Club</i>		
<i>Gateway Improvements Ovingham</i>		
<i>Gateway Improvements A695 Stocksfield</i>		
<i>A696 Belsay (north) gateways</i>		
<i>A1068 Amble & Warkworth Pedestrian Refuges Phase 1</i>		
<i>AONB Trial site (signage improvents)</i>		
<i>Various Countywide</i>	Urgent Safety Measures	£55,000
		£1,245,000
Traffic Calming		
Location	Proposed Improvement	Budget Estimate
Bamburgh	Various traffic calming measures	£100,000
A197 Woodhorn Road & B1334 North Seaton Road, Newbiggin		
Main Street, Wylam (nr Fox & Hounds)		
Beresford Road Seaton Sluice		
		£100,000
Traffic Management		
Location	Proposed Improvement	Budget Estimate
Various countywide	Traffic regulation orders	£250,000
Various, including Doddington, Hadston & Cramlington	Speed limits	£30,000
Various countywide	School Streets	£20,000
		£300,000
	Sub Total	£1,645,000

General Traffic Sign/Road Markings Refurbishment	£350,000
A countywide programme of sites selected on a priority basis.	
Safety Total	£1,995,000

Local Transport Plan Programme 2024-25

Roads

£18,700,624

Major Road & Resilient Network Maintenance Schemes

Road No	Location	Description	Budget Estimate
A197	Asda/Leisure Centre Rbt, Ashington	Carriageway Repairs	£150,000
A192	Holywell	Carriageway Repairs	£330,000
B6318	Vallum	Carriageway Repairs	£300,000
C172	Greenside Bank, Flotterton Ph3	Carriageway Repairs	£140,000
A68	Colt Crag Reservoir South	Carriageway Repairs	£210,000
A197	Woodhorn Crossroads	Carriageway Repairs	£140,000
A1068	Fisher Lane, Cramlington (southbound)	Carriageway Repairs	£230,000
B6342	Wallington to A696	Carriageway Repairs	£180,000
B6341	Clayport Street, Alnwick	Carriageway Repairs	£200,000
B6320	Bellingham to Hareshaw (Further phase)	Carriageway Repairs	£180,000
A197	Rotary Way Roundabouts, Ashington	Carriageway Repairs	£165,000
A696	Belsay (South and through village)	Carriageway Repairs	£200,000
A1068	The Birling, Warkworth	Carriageway Repairs	£200,000
C200	Smalesworth, Kielder	Carriageway Repairs	£230,000
A1068	Lesbury to Hipsburn	Carriageway Repairs	£140,000
B6278	Snods Edge to Shotley Bridge	Carriageway Repairs	£120,000
A197	Morpeth Northern Bypass	Carriageway Repairs	£20,000
Major Road & Resilient Network Maintenance Schemes Total			£3,135,000

Other Local Roads Maintenance Schemes

Other Local Roads Maintenance Schemes - North Northumberland

Road No	Location	Description	Budget Estimate
B1339	Howick Bends Phase 1	Carriageway Repairs	£250,000
U107	Sandgate/ Palace Street/ Ravensdowne, Berwick Phase 1	Carriageway Repairs	£170,000
B6348	Chatton Bank (Phase 2)	Carriageway Repairs	£120,000
U3124	Stott Street Alnwick	Carriageway and Footway Repairs	£150,000
U4023	Coquet Valley (Alwinton to Makedon) Phase 2	Carriageway Repairs	£110,000
B6525	Barmoor Red House further phase	Carriageway Repairs	£140,000
C70	Preston Tower (Phase 2)	Carriageway Repairs	£200,000
B6470	Norham to Salutation Inn (Phase 3)	Carriageway Repairs	£150,000
B1341	Glororum to Spindleston jct	Carriageway Repairs	£200,000
B6347	North of Rock Moor Farm	Carriageway Repairs	£140,000
B1341	Lucker to A1 (Adderstone)	Carriageway Repairs	£150,000
Sub Total			£1,780,000

Other Local Roads Maintenance Schemes - Ashington and Blyth

Road No	Location	Description	Budget Estimate
U6503	Adj. Bothal Primary School, Ashington	Carriageway Repairs	£60,000
U6520	Sea Crest Road, Newbiggin	Carriageway Repairs	£110,000
U9507	Bishopdale / Swaledale Avenue, Blyth (further phase)	Carriageway Repairs	£150,000
C403	Approach to West Sleekburn level crossing	Carriageway Repairs	£120,000
U6513	Cavendish Terrace, Ashington	Carriageway Repairs	£131,000
Sub Total			£571,000

Other Local Roads Maintenance Schemes - Cramlington, Bedlington and Seaton Valley

Road No	Location	Description	Budget Estimate
U9706	Bristol Street / St Michaels, New Hartley Phase 2	Carriageway Repairs	£80,000
U6537	Burnside Road, Bedlington	Carriageway Repairs	£110,000
U9536	Seaburn View, New Hartley Phase 3	Carriageway Repairs	£150,000
U9557	Atley Way, Cramlington (Phase 2)	Carriageway Repairs	£160,000
Sub Total			£500,000

Other Local Roads Maintenance Schemes - Tynedale

Road No	Location	Treatment	Budget Estimate
C242	Ferry Road, Hexham (phase 2)	Carriageway Repairs	£220,000
B6295	Catton Village	Carriageway Repairs	£100,000
U8293	St John's Road, Hexham	Carriageway Repairs	£80,000
U8296	Yarridge Road, Hexham	Carriageway Repairs	£80,000
C278	East of Hackwood Park, Hexham	Carriageway Repairs	£130,000
C242	Corchester Lane, Hexham	Carriageway Repairs	£120,000
U8280	Parkwood Avenue, Prudhoe	Carriageway Repairs	£70,000
B6329	Stagshaw Road, Corbridge	Carriageway Repairs	£200,000
U5013	Great Bavington to B6343	Carriageway Repairs	£60,000
C222	Five Lane Ends to Well House (Phase 1)	Carriageway Repairs	£160,000
C195	Ridsdale to Ferneyrigg	Carriageway Repairs	£80,000
C198	Sundaysight to B6320 Phase 2	Carriageway Repairs	£110,000
C198	Greenhaugh to Lanehead Phase 2	Carriageway Repairs	£220,000
Sub Total			£1,630,000

Other Local Roads Maintenance Schemes - Castle Morpeth

Road No	Location	Treatment	Budget Estimate
C157	Wallington New Houses to Scots Gap	Carriageway Repairs	£230,000
C144	East Benridge to West Benridge (further phase)	Carriageway Repairs	£180,000
U6569	Wellbeck Road, Riverside Avenue, West Avenue, Choppington (further phase)	Carriageway Repairs	£120,000
C154	Dyke Neuk PH to Meldon Phase 2	Carriageway Repairs	£150,000
U6560	Riverbank, Choppington (further phase)	Carriageway Repairs	£150,000
C144	Ritton Bank, Nunnykirk (further phase)	Carriageway Repairs	£100,000
C130	Hebron Village to A1	Carriageway Repairs	£140,000
Sub Total			£1,070,000
Other Local Roads Maintenance Schemes - Total			£5,551,000

Surface Dressing Programme

Major Road & Resilient Network - Countywide

Road Number	Location	Description	Budget Allocation
A1068	Potland Rbt to Ashington A197 jct	Surface Dressing	£235,000
A1068	Fisher Lane, Cramlington (northbound)	Surface Dressing	£125,000
B1337	Widdrington Stn to Houndalee rbt	Surface Dressing	£100,000
B6343	Scots Gap to Hartburn	Surface Dressing	£160,000
C356	Milkhope, Blagdon	Surface Dressing	£120,000
A698	Velvet Hall to Thornton Park	Surface Dressing	£120,000
B6525	Wrangham to Wooley	Surface Dressing	£225,000
A695	Corbridge Road, Hexham (east of the hospital)	Surface Dressing	£220,000
A68	Portgate rbt to Little Whittington jct	Surface Dressing	£60,000
A68	Five Lane Ends towards Ridsdale	Surface Dressing	£145,000
A68	South of Bingfield	Surface Dressing	£45,000
Sub Total			£1,555,000

Other Local Roads - North Northumberland

Road Number	Location	Description	Budget Allocation
B6470	Norham to Morris Hall	Surface Dressing	£105,000
C136	The Lee to B6342	Surface Dressing	£115,000
B6346	East of Shipley Bridge (Whitehouse North Bridge)	Surface Dressing	£85,000
C82	Powburn to Beanley	Surface Dressing	£110,000
C43	Old Bewick to Harehope Garden Cottages	Surface Dressing	£135,000
C144	Nunnykirk to Forestburn Gate	Surface Dressing	£90,000
C12	Duddo Hill to B6354 jct	Surface Dressing	£115,000
U3010	Station Road, Embleton	Surface Dressing	£100,000
Sub Total			£855,000

Other Local Roads - Castle Morpeth

Road Number	Location	Description	Budget Allocation
B6342	Cambo to Hartington Gate	Surface Dressing	£165,000
C366	Shotton Edge to the Hemmell (Blagdon Lane)	Surface Dressing	£115,000

U6104	Togston to HMP Northumberland	Surface Dressing	£85,000
C112	Woodside to Red Row	Surface Dressing	£90,000
U9701	Kirkley Mill	Surface Dressing	£80,000
C157	Middleton Bank Top to Scots Gap	Surface Dressing	£175,000
C224	Great Whittington to Military Road	Surface Dressing	£135,000
		Sub Total	£845,000

Other Local Roads - Tynedale

Road Number	Location	Description	Budget Allocation
C282	Dalton to Channel Well	Surface Dressing	£140,000
C234	Boatside Inn to Fourstones	Surface Dressing	£140,000
C273	Wheelbirks to A68 (through Broomley)	Surface Dressing	£195,000
C254	Ovingham to Wylam	Surface Dressing	£160,000
B6530	Corbridge towards Styford	Surface Dressing	£195,000
B6321	Wallhouses to Aydon	Surface Dressing	£210,000
C297	Allenheads to Coalcleugh	Surface Dressing	£155,000
B6309/C247	East Wallhouses to A69	Surface Dressing	£205,000
		Sub Total	£1,400,000

Surface Dressing Programme Total	£4,655,000
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Micro Surfacing Programme

Other Local Roads - North Northumberland

Road Number	Location	Description	Budget Allocation
U114	Sunnyside Crescent, Spittal	Micro Surfacing	£45,000
U103	St Georges Road, Berwick	Micro Surfacing	£30,000
		Sub Total	£75,000

Other Local Roads - Castle Morpeth

Road Number	Location	Description	Budget Allocation
C123	Park Road (Queen Street) /Fenham Road, Lynemouth	Micro Surfacing	£100,000
U6067	Kingswell, Morpeth	Micro Surfacing	£50,000
		Sub Total	£150,000

Other Local Roads - Ashington and Blyth

Road Number	Location	Description	Budget Allocation
U9524	Herring Gull Close, Blyth	Micro Surfacing	£25,000
U9524	Mallard, Eider, Turn, Puffin, Blyth MS	Micro Surfacing	£50,000
U6516	Belgrave Gardens, Ashington	Micro Surfacing	£50,000
		Sub Total	£125,000

Other Local Roads - Cramlington, Bedlington and Seaton Valley

Road Number	Location	Description	Budget Allocation
U9573	Ringwood Drive Parkside Glade	Micro Surfacing	£120,000
U9555	Brockwell Centre, Cramlington	Micro Surfacing	£20,000
U9571	Kendal Drive Eastfield Dale, Cramlington	Micro Surfacing	£50,000
		Sub Total	£190,000

Other Local Roads - Tynedale

Road Number	Location	Description	Budget Allocation
U8293	Wydon Park (cul de sac), Hexham	Micro Surfacing	£25,000
		Sub Total	£25,000

Micro Surfacing Programme Total	£565,000
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General Refurbishment Countywide

General Carriageway Refurbishment

A countywide programme of sites selected on a priority basis.

£2,250,000

Surface Dressing & Micro Surfacing Pre Patching

Preparation of sites included in the programme

£350,000

General Structures Refurbishment	<u>£600,000</u>
A countywide programme of sites selected on a priority basis.	
General Drainage Refurbishment	<u>£805,000</u>
A countywide programme of sites selected on a priority basis.	
General Car Park Refurbishment	<u>£100,000</u>
A countywide programme of sites selected on a priority basis.	
Traffic Signal Refurbishment	<u>£100,000</u>
A countywide programme of sites selected on a priority basis.	
Street Lighting Column Replacement	<u>£100,000</u>
A countywide programme of sites selected on a priority basis.	
Concrete Road Refurbishment	<u>£40,000</u>
A countywide programme of sites selected on a priority basis.	
Highway Maintenance Assessment and Advance Design	<u>£449,624</u>

General Refurbishment Countywide Total	<u>£4,794,624</u>
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Roads Total	£18,700,624
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			APPENDIX D
Local Transport Plan Programme 2024-25			
Bridges, Structures and Landslips			£3,566,000
Bridges and Structures			
Road Number	Location	Description	Budget Estimate
	Various	Stage 2 Assessments	£120,000
	Various	Principal Inspections	£163,000
	Various	Interim Measures	£38,000
	Various	Advanced Preparation	£300,000
C424	Berwick Old Phase 4	Remaining masonry repairs to outer faces	£800,000
B6353	Ford Bridge	Bridge Strengthening	£600,000
U8177	Garden House	Bridge Strengthening	£200,000
C150	Tranwell South	Bridge Strengthening	£180,000
C179	Trewhitt West Moor	Bridge Strengthening	£190,000
U9702	Dean View phase 2	Infilling Works	£50,000
C329	Featherstone	Bridge Strengthening	£25,000
C121	Linton Mill Bridge	Bridge Strengthening	£150,000
Bridges and Structures Total			£2,816,000
Landslip Management			
Road Number	Location	Description	Budget Estimate
B6320	B6320 Houxy Block Stones	Displaced block stones making the retaining wall unsecured	£80,000
B4343	B6343 Mitford Road (Abbey Mill), Morpeth	Failing culvert retaining wall causing movement in footpath.	£150,000
C322	C322 Whitfield Verge Erosion	Unstable highway verge caused by water run-off	£50,000
B6295	B6295 County Border to Allenheads	Circular slip failure adjacent to highway verge, caused by water run-off	£100,000
U8093	U8093 Prospect Hill, Corbridge	Erosion of highway verge close to a very high rock face	£100,000
C100	C100 Guyzance Mill Embankment	Failure of river bank due to inadequate drainage	£150,000
	Advanced Preparation		£120,000
Landslip Management Total			£750,000
TOTAL			£3,566,000

Local Transport Plan Programme 2024-25 Additional U and C Road Maintenance

Footway Maintenance

Road No	Location	Description	Budget Estimate
U6108	Churchburn Drive, Morpeth (Phase)		£70,000
C80	Boulmer to Longhoughton (Phase)		£70,000
U9552	Scott Street, Nelson Village		£40,000
U8280	Broomhill Road, West Wylam (slurry seal)		£20,000
U8280	Woodhead Road, West Wylam (slurry seal)		£20,000
Footway Maintenance Sub Total			Total
			£220,000

Roads Maintenance - North Northumberland

Road No	Location	Description	Budget Estimate
U115	South Greenwich Road, Spittal	Carriageway Repairs	£80,000
C100	Hartlaw to Guyzance	Carriageway Repairs	£100,000
U3125	Augur Terrace, Cornhill Estate Alnwick	Carriageway Repairs	£140,000
U1093	A697 junct. towards Branton Ph 2	Carriageway Repairs	£100,000
U3136	Links Avenue / Philip Drive, Amble (Phased)	Carriageway Repairs	£80,000
C82	Powburn to Beanley (Phase 2)	Carriageway Repairs	£60,000
C65	Broad Road, Seahouses	Carriageway Repairs	£100,000
U3048	Church Bank, Felton	Carriageway Repairs	£80,000
U3125	Cawledge View, Alnwick	Carriageway Repairs	£100,000
U4090	The Croft, Whittingham	Carriageway Repairs	£60,000
U113	Grove Gardens, Tweedmouth	Carriageway Repairs	£100,000
U3075	Barns Road, Felton	Carriageway Repairs	£70,000
C188	Rothbury Road, Longframlington	Carriageway Repairs	£60,000
U3011	Sea View, Embleton	Carriageway Repairs	£60,000
			Total
			£1,190,000

Roads Maintenance - Ashington and Blyth

Road No	Location	Description	Budget Estimate
U9506	Weardale Avenue, Blyth	Carriageway Repairs	£100,000
U9503	King Street, Blyth	Carriageway Repairs	£60,000
U6575	North Seaton Colliery	Carriageway Repairs	£40,000
C403	Approach to level crossing, Cambois	Carriageway Repairs	£140,000
U6561	Church Ave, West Sleekburn	Carriageway Repairs	£80,000
			Total
			£420,000

Roads Maintenance - Cramlington, Bedlington and Seaton Valley

Road No	Location	Description	Budget Estimate
U9533	Park View, Seaton Delaval	Carriageway Repairs	£50,000
U9575	Avon Court, New Hartley	Carriageway Repairs	£60,000
U9527	Elwin Close/Southwards Close, Seaton Sluice	Carriageway Repairs	£60,000
U9707	Elsdon Avenue, Seaton Delaval	Carriageway Repairs	£150,000
			Total
			£320,000

Roads Maintenance - Tynedale

Road No	Location	Treatment	Budget Estimate
U5017	Shaw Lonnen, Corsenside	Carriageway Repairs	£60,000

C279	Dukesfield To Strothers Bank	Carriageway Repairs	£120,000
U7058	Thorngrafton	Carriageway Repairs	£90,000
U7072	Banks Terrace, Haltwhistle	Carriageway Repairs	£60,000
U8276	Rowan Grove, Prudhoe	Carriageway Repairs	£80,000
C307	Park Lane, Bardon Mill / Henshaw to the Sill	Carriageway Repairs	£80,000
C205	Stonehaugh to Ladyhill	Carriageway Repairs	£130,000
B6319	Ratcliffe Road, Haydon Bridge	Carriageway Repairs	£120,000
U8281	Station Bank, Mickley	Carriageway Repairs	£100,000
U8285	Victoria Terrace, Prudhoe	Carriageway Repairs	£80,000
C329	Park Village to Bridge End	Carriageway Repairs	£80,000
C205	Elliott Terrace, Wark	Carriageway Repairs	£80,000
Total			£1,080,000

Roads Maintenance - Castle Morpeth

Road No	Location	Treatment	Budget Estimate
U6078	Margaret Street, Widdrington	Carriageway Repairs	£140,000
U6109	Abbey Meadows (Castle Meadows to Curly Kews), Morpeth	Carriageway Repairs	£120,000
U6564	Stakeford Crescent, Stakeford	Carriageway Repairs	£40,000
C142	Todburn Moor (further phase)	Carriageway Repairs	£100,000
U6116	Coopies Haugh, Morpeth (Kwik Fit to Coca Cola)	Carriageway Repairs	£200,000
C134	Bywell Phase (further phase)	Carriageway Repairs	£100,000
U6112	Wellwood Gardens, Staithes Lane, Gas House Lane, Morpeth	Carriageway Repairs	£75,000
Total			£775,000

Roads Maintenance sub total **£3,785,000**

Minor Roads Maintenance Schemes - North Northumberland	Small Works	£135,000
Minor Roads Maintenance Schemes - Tynedale	Small Works	£130,000
Minor Roads Maintenance Schemes - Castle Morpeth	Small Works	£90,000
Minor Roads Maintenance Schemes - Ashington & Blyth	Small Works	£50,000
Minor Roads Maintenance Schemes - Cramlington, Bedlington & Seaton Valley	Small Works	£40,000
Small Works Sub Total	Total	£445,000

Additional U and C Road Maintenance Total **£4,450,000**

Summary		
Local Transport Plan Programme 2024-25		
Appendix A	Sustainable Transport	£1,932,000
	Improvements for Sustainable Transport	£327,000
	Maintenance of Footpaths, Footways and Cycleways	£1,605,000
Appendix B	Safety	£1,995,000
	Safety Improvement Schemes for All Users	£1,645,000
	Maintenance of Signs and Lines	£350,000
Appendix C	Roads	£18,700,624
	Major Road & Resilient Network Maintenance Schemes	£3,135,000
	Other Local Roads Maintenance Schemes	£5,551,000
	Surface Dressing Programme	£4,655,000
	Micro Surfacing Programme	£565,000
	General/Structural Refurbishment Work	£4,794,624
Appendix D	Bridges, Structures and Landslips	£3,566,000
	Bridges and Structures	£2,816,000
	Landslips	£750,000
	LTP Programme Total	£26,193,624
	<i>LTP - Maintenance Block</i>	<i>£24,548,000</i>
	<i>LTP - Integrated Transport Block</i>	<i>£1,708,124</i>
	<i>Less NECA Contribution</i>	<i>-£62,500</i>
	Total	£26,193,624
	Balance	£0
Appendix E	Additional U and C Road Maintenance	£4,450,000

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