



# Northumberland County Council

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Dear Sir or Madam,

Your attendance is requested at a meeting of the **CRAMLINGTON, BEDLINGTON AND SEATON VALLEY LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE** to be held in **COUNCIL CHAMBER - COUNTY HALL** on **TUESDAY, 20 FEBRUARY 2024** at **5.00 PM**.

Yours faithfully

Dr Helen Paterson  
Chief Executive

**To Cramlington, Bedlington and Seaton Valley Local Area Committee members as follows:-**

**L Bowman, E Chicken, W Daley, C Dunbar, P Ezhilchelvan, D Ferguson, B Flux, S Lee (Vice-Chair), M Robinson, M Swinburn (Chair), C Taylor and R Wilczek (Vice-Chair (Planning))**



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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**
3. **DISCLOSURE OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS**

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

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.

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.

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.

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.

Where Members have or a Cabinet Member has an Other Registerable Interest or Non Registerable 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](mailto: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**

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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**

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.

<b>Name:</b>		<b>Date of meeting:</b>	
<b>Meeting:</b>			
<b>Item to which your interest relates:</b>			
<b>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):</b>			
<b>Are you intending to withdraw from the meeting?</b>		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.

## Table 1: Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

This table sets out the explanation of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests as set out in the [Relevant Authorities \(Disclosable Pecuniary Interests\) Regulations 2012](#).

Subject	Description
<b>Employment, office, trade, profession or vocation</b>	Any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit or gain. [Any unpaid directorship.]
<b>Sponsorship</b>	Any payment or provision of any other financial benefit (other than from the council) made to the councillor during the previous 12-month period for expenses incurred by him/her in carrying out his/her duties as a councillor, or towards his/her election expenses. This includes any payment or financial benefit from a trade union within the meaning of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992.
<b>Contracts</b>	Any contract made between the councillor or his/her spouse or civil partner or the person with whom the councillor is living as if they were spouses/civil partners (or a firm in which such person is a partner, or an incorporated body of which such person is a director* or a body that such person has a beneficial interest in the securities of*) and the council — (a) under which goods or services are to be provided or works are to be executed; and (b) which has not been fully discharged.
<b>Land and Property</b>	Any beneficial interest in land which is within the area of the council. 'Land' excludes an easement, servitude, interest or right in or over land which does not give the councillor or his/her spouse or civil partner or the person with whom the councillor is living as if they were spouses/ civil partners (alone or jointly with another) a right to occupy or to receive income.
<b>Licenses</b>	Any licence (alone or jointly with others) to occupy land in the area of the council for a month or longer
<b>Corporate tenancies</b>	Any tenancy where (to the councillor's knowledge)— (a) the landlord is the council; and (b) the tenant is a body that the councillor, or his/her spouse or civil partner or the person with whom the councillor is living as if they were spouses/ civil partners is a partner of or a director* of or has a beneficial interest in the securities* of.
<b>Securities</b>	Any beneficial interest in securities* of a body

	<p>where—</p> <p>(a) that body (to the councillor’s knowledge) has a place of business or land in the area of the council; and</p> <p>(b) either—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. the total nominal value of the securities* exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body; or</li> <li>ii. if the share capital of that body is of more than one class, the total nominal value of the shares of any one class in which the councillor, or his/ her spouse or civil partner or the person with whom the councillor is living as if they were spouses/civil partners has a beneficial interest exceeds one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that class.</li> </ul>
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\* ‘director’ includes a member of the committee of management of an industrial and provident society.

\* ‘securities’ means shares, debentures, debenture stock, loan stock, bonds, units of a collective investment scheme within the meaning of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 and other securities of any description, other than money deposited with a building society.

## **Table 2: Other Registrable Interests**

You have a personal interest in any business of your authority where it relates to or is likely to affect:

- a) any body of which you are in general control or management and to which you are nominated or appointed by your authority
- b) any body
  - i. exercising functions of a public nature
  - ii. any body directed to charitable purposes or
  - iii. one of whose principal purposes includes the influence of public opinion or policy (including any political party or trade union)



## NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY COUNCIL

### CRAMLINGTON, BEDLINGTON AND SEATON VALLEY LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE

At the meeting of the **Cramlington, Bedlington and Seaton Valley Local Area Committee** held at East Hartford Community Centre, Institute Buildings, Scott Street, East Hartford, Cramlington on Wednesday 24 January 2024 at 5:00 pm.  
5.00 pm

#### PRESENT

M Swinburn (Chair)

#### MEMBERS

L Bowman  
E Chicken  
W Daley  
C Dunbar

P Ezhilchelvan  
S Lee  
M Robinson

#### MEMBERS ALSO PRESENT

R Wearmouth

#### OFFICERS

H Bowers  
R Murfin  
K Westerby

Democratic Services Officer  
Director of Housing and Planning  
Highways Delivery Manager

#### 50. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Ferguson, Flux, Taylor and Wilczek.

#### 51. MINUTES

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting of the Cramlington, Bedlington & Seaton Valley Local Area Committee held on Wednesday, 22 November 2023 as circulated, be confirmed as a true record, and be signed by the Chair.

It was suggested that the notes of the Bedlington Residents' meeting in December should have been added as an addendum. As the notes were not official Council notes, these would be circulated to those who were in attendance.

## **52. PETITIONS**

No petitions had been received; there were no reports or updates to consider.

## **53. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

Joe Coyne, East Hartford referred to lack of demarcation lines in the East Hartford area.

Kris Westerby, Highways Delivery Manager stated that roads were inspected and prioritised. He would take back as an action and check if any work was planned for the area.

## **54. FIX MY STREET**

Kris Westerby, Highways Delivery Manager, gave a presentation on the new web-based reporting system, Fix My Street (FMS), which had been launched in May 2023. (A copy of the presentation is enclosed with the signed minutes.)

The presentation outlined:

- The limits of previous systems used by Local Services and other departments with minimal integration of back-office systems and lack of feedback to customers.
- The benefits of FMS which included asset based reporting, use of photographic evidence, accuracy of locations, integration with other systems, ability to produce reports for users and respond to FOI / EIR information.
- The implementation timetable.
- The benefits for users and staff with slides which demonstrated views of the web and mobile apps and ability to monitor reports made.
- Data on reports logged using FMS from May to September 2023 and comparison with issues logged for the same period in 2022 (there had been an increase of 143%).
- The ability to monitor trends by ward or postcode and obtain a detailed breakdown by category.
- The top 5 reporting categories were:
  - i. Roads – potholes
  - ii. Flytipping
  - iii. Hedges / Overgrown vegetation
  - iv. Blocked gullies
  - v. Grass cutting

- Next steps including ongoing enhancements such as inclusion of grit heaps and bins, developments to aid defence of insurance claims, improvements to consistency and feedback to users, increased front end automation of responses with reference to policies, use by more departments such as housing etc.
- The demonstration included a brief overview of the system as viewed by officers, how the system interacted with Alloy (the system used by Highways Maintenance) and how reports could be reassigned between users and departments.
- Users were able see whether the same issue had already been reported.
- Residents could continue to report issues by telephoning the Contact Centre who would enter the details on Fix My Street.

Following the presentation, members raised the following questions/comments:

- Several reports of dead trees had not been actioned. The Trees and Woodland Team were overstretched, and the budget should be increased for the service.
- Fix My Street should be promoted more to the public so they could take ownership and report an issue.
- Data should drive performance to drive investment
- It would be a better way to inform residents, but staff training was required in some areas.
- The reported grit bin at North Ridge had never been replaced.
- Potholes next to the old Swan Pub in Choppington need repairing for a second time.
- The reporting system worked well, but some jobs were not carried out fully.
- Any action needed a timescale.
- The team was thanked for their quick response to a reported path issue.
- Further investment was required into the road infrastructure.
- Policies for different areas was not a one size fits all
- Members generally agreed that Fix My Street was a good way of reporting issues.
- The way of reporting issues required more information, eg forwarding to a third party to resolve or the use of Power BI.

Mr Westerby gave the following responses:

- The reporting of the trees would be referred back to Leon Savage, Tree and Woodlands Team Leader for response.
- If an issue was closed, there would be a category for closure.
- The reporting of bins left on the street was a grey area and the full waste system was not yet on the App but discussion was taking with the company who integrated the system for that to be added.
- With reference to the potholes, the Council had a responsibility to make the road network safe. A patch repair took 7 hours to carry out whereas a full repair required 7 days' notice beforehand and then up to 28 days to repair.
- Any repairs that were not carried out correctly, should be reported.

- Any actions that were not completed on time would be triggered by contacting the Contact Centre and investigated.
- The replacement of road surface was being tackled differently, trying to find alternative solutions for old roads.
- Mr Westerby stated that the service already used PowerBI and member training would be required to facilitate this. In addition, future issues could be reported through Placecube which was replacing the current Lagan system.

Mr Westerby was thanked for his presentation.

**RESOLVED** that the presentation be received.

## 55. PARISH/TOWN CLERK DISCUSSION

This item was to ask how the LAC could look to improve communication and relationship where possible between NCC and the town and parish council.

Bob Baker, Clerk of Cramlington Town Council was in attendance and made the following comments:

- There was difficulty understanding the role of the format of local area committees.
- One of the key issues was local area committees did not have devolved powers and limited impact of influence.
- The Terms of Reference referred to “regular liaison with town and parish councils”.
- There should be a regular arrangement with Clerks/Chairs to identify common problems.
- Town and Parish Councils had a number of issues which could not be presented to the County Council and they should be consulted on budget priorities.
- Local area committees should be able to scrutinise service standards and certain functions.
- Previously, there had been one Senior Officer assigned to identify issues the local area committees covered and could put forward an independent view. This could be something considering and assigning a person at Assistant Director level to champion the needs of the committee.
- A strategic view should be taken as to how the local area committees can influence the Executive and ensure service standards were maintained.

Rob Murfin, Director of Housing and Planning stated that as part of the LAC review, working with NALC, a survey had been carried out with parish and town councils, which had asked questions about the relationship. From the results of the NALC survey, there had been no consensus. Some of the smaller parish and town councils had wanted to be communicated via the local area committees.

The Review report would be circulated to Parish and Town Clerks.

An area of interest to the public was that if Local Area Committees had a more strategic local role, eg Neighbourhood Planning, Affordable Housing. But the role for each local area committee, eg rural areas would not work here.

Members raised the following:

- As services had been reduced, there was no Senior Officer role and most issues raised could be done by email. The best way forward would be by Championing.
- It was not a one size fits all as each Local Area Committee would have different issues
- The Terms of Reference gave the ability to shape and theme what the Local Area Committee did.
- The Local Area meetings were not what they should be and should include validity.
- The LAC was not the best forum to discuss how to improve communication (with Town and Parish Councils) and workshops would be a better format.

*(Councillor Chicken left the meeting at 6.47 pm).*

Mr Murfin stated that he would raise the suggestion of assigning officer support with the Executive. However, there was no single approach as different areas would have different issues, eg, Leasehold issues in Cramlington and Holiday Homes in Berwick.

With regard to legal issues, the main issue was Parish and Town Councils were 3<sup>rd</sup> party. Local Area Committees were not statutory consultees in licensing matters but could give their views.

The Local Transport Programme which came to the LAC would change because of the way Highways Services were changing.

*(Councillor Bowman left the meeting at 6.49 pm).*

The LAC boundaries would be changed slightly. If boundaries were too big or too small, it would be easier to attach some powers, but without it becoming distant from Parish and Town Councils and where they fitted.

The Chair would raise the issues at the next LAC Chairs meeting.

**RESOLVED** that the information be noted.

## **56. BUDGET 2024-25 AND MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL PLAN**

Councillor Wearmouth, Deputy Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Corporate Services gave a presentation to outline the approach being taken to

set the budget for the next financial year with focus on its key priorities including achieving value for money, tackling inequalities and driving economic growth as well as working towards net zero.

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 detail regarding initiatives and schemes would be presented at a meeting of the Corporate Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee which all members would be invited to. (A copy of the presentation is enclosed with the signed minutes.)

Members were referred to 3 important documents which provided relevant information to the budget consultation:

- Budget Engagement 2024/25
- Agenda papers for the meeting of Cabinet on 16 January 2024
- Capital Programme

The presentation outlined:

- The sources of revenue funding:
- Council Tax;
- Government grants;
- Business Rates; and
- Fees and charges for services
- Options for achieving a balanced budget.
- Background to the Council's finances.
- Proposals for all the service areas including details of current budget pressures, investments planned and proposals for what could be done differently (the details were contained within the online Budget Engagement documentation):
- Enabling Services – savings proposed of £2.854 million.
- Adults – a budget £235 million which included support to vulnerable adults to live independently, a real living wage for adults.
- Children, Young People and Education – budget £269.2 million; savings proposed of £2.084 million.
- Public Health, Inequalities and Stronger Communities – budget £32.8 million; savings proposed of £0.7 million. A new provider Places for People Leisure Management would take over Active Northumberland next year.
- Place and Regeneration – budget £131.7 million; with a budget of £26 million for the LTP and £26.9 million for cycling and walking.

Many areas of the Council were experiencing:

- Increasing costs for supplies and services including energy.
- Increasing demands on Children's and Education budgets.

- Increasing demand for care and support to vulnerable adults and older people.
- Interest rates had also increased leading to a review of the Capital Programme. The programme was funded by borrowing; for every £1 million borrowed, the cost to the revenue budget was approximately £0.088 million.

The following comments were made in response to members questions:-

- The Authority’s allocation for the social care budget would be £3million. He was unsure whether that money would be used to reduce that part of the precept and would find out if the funds being made available by the Government would be ringfenced.
- Councillor Jeff Watson should be contacted regarding the Innovative Library query.
- With reference to the cycling network being neglected in Cramlington and the use of cycling routes for health and wellbeing . The cycling and walking provision in Cramlington would be made available through the LTP and other funding.
- A case would need to be made to increase the Local Transport Programme.
- The Council had used MORI in the past for user research.
- There were already descriptors to explain what the pie chart was on the Council Tax bills.
- The discretionary spend would be mainly used for public health and children.

**RESOLVED** that the information be noted.

**57. WORK PROGRAMME**

**RESOLVED** that the work programme be noted.

**58. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday 20 February 2024.

**59. URGENT BUSINESS**

Councillor Daley raised the issue of fallen trees in Cramlington and residents’ concerns over safety and requested that an audit of trees be taken.

The Chair would raise this at the LAC Chairs meeting.

**CHAIR** .....

**DATE** .....

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## Northumberland County Council

Cramlington, Bedlington & Seaton Valley Local Area Committee

Tuesday 20 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 21<sup>st</sup> 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 :

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

- 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**

<b>Policy</b>	The proposed programme is consistent with existing policies
<b>Finance and value for money</b>	The LTP Programme allocations are within the expected budget available for 2024-25
<b>Legal</b>	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
<b>Procurement</b>	None
<b>Human resources</b>	None
<b>Property</b>	None
<b>The Equalities Act: is a full impact assessment required and attached?</b>	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
<b>Risk assessment</b>	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.
<b>Crime and disorder</b>	None
<b>Customer considerations</b>	The delivery of the programme will improve the highways and transport network in Northumberland for the benefit of the travelling public

<b>Carbon reduction</b>	Schemes to improve infrastructure for walking and cycling and road safety measures encourage more active travel.
<b>Health and wellbeing</b>	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
<b>Wards</b>	(All Wards);

**7. Background papers**

Not applicable

**8. Links to other key reports already published**

Not Applicable

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		<b>Appendix A</b>
<b>Local Transport Plan Programme 2024-25</b>		
<b>Sustainable Transport</b>		<b>£1,932,000</b>
<b>Improvements for Pedestrians &amp; Cyclists</b>		
<b>Location</b>	<b>Proposed Improvement</b>	<b>Budget Estimate</b>
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
		<b>£327,000</b>
<b>Maintenance of Footpaths, Footways and Cycleways</b>		
<b>Rights of Way</b>		
<b>Reference</b>	<b>Proposed Improvement</b>	<b>Budget Estimate</b>
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
	<b>Total</b>	<b>£405,000</b>
<b>Footway Maintenance</b>		
<b>Road No</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Budget Estimate</b>
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
	<b>Total</b>	<b>£1,000,000</b>
<b>General Cycleway and Footway Refurbishment Work</b>		<b>£200,000</b>
A countywide programme of sites selected on a priority basis.		
<b>Improvements for Sustainable Transport Total</b>		<b>£1,932,000</b>

Local Transport Plan Programme 2024-25		Appendix B
<b>Safety</b>		<b>£1,995,000</b>
<b>Local Safety Schemes</b>		
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 &amp; Warkworth Pedestrian Refuges Phase 1</i>		
<i>AONB Trial site (signage improvents)</i>		
Various Countywide	Urgent Safety Measures	£55,000
		<b>£1,245,000</b>
<b>Traffic Calming</b>		
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		
		<b>£100,000</b>
<b>Traffic Management</b>		
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
		<b>£300,000</b>
	<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>£1,645,000</b>

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

## Local Transport Plan Programme 2024-25

## Roads

£18,700,624

## Major Road &amp; 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
<b>Major Road &amp; Resilient Network Maintenance Schemes Total</b>			<b>£3,135,000</b>

## 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
<b>Sub Total</b>			<b>£1,780,000</b>

## 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
<b>Sub Total</b>			<b>£571,000</b>

## 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
<b>Sub Total</b>			<b>£500,000</b>

#### 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
<b>Sub Total</b>			<b>£1,630,000</b>

#### 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
<b>Sub Total</b>			<b>£1,070,000</b>
<b>Other Local Roads Maintenance Schemes - Total</b>			<b>£5,551,000</b>

### 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
<b>Sub Total</b>			<b>£1,555,000</b>

#### 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
<b>Sub Total</b>			<b>£855,000</b>

#### 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
		<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>£845,000</b>

#### 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
		<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>£1,400,000</b>

<b>Surface Dressing Programme Total</b>	<b>£4,655,000</b>
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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
		<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>£75,000</b>

##### 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
		<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>£150,000</b>

##### 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
		<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>£125,000</b>

##### 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
		<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>£190,000</b>

##### Other Local Roads - Tynedale

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

<b>Micro Surfacing Programme Total</b>	<b>£565,000</b>
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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

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

<b>General Refurbishment Countywide Total</b>	<b><u>£4,794,624</u></b>
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<b>Roads Total</b>	<b>£18,700,624</b>
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			APPENDIX D
<b>Local Transport Plan Programme 2024-25</b>			
<b>Bridges, Structures and Landslips</b>			<b>£3,566,000</b>
<b>Bridges and Structures</b>			
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
<b>Bridges and Structures Total</b>			<b>£2,816,000</b>
<b>Landslip Management</b>			
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
<b>Landslip Management Total</b>			<b>£750,000</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>£3,566,000</b>



## 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
<b>Footway Maintenance Sub Total</b>			<b>Total</b>
			<b>£220,000</b>

### 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
			<b>Total</b>
			<b>£1,190,000</b>

### 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
			<b>Total</b>
			<b>£420,000</b>

### 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
			<b>Total</b>
			<b>£320,000</b>

### 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
<b>Total</b>			<b>£1,080,000</b>

### 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
<b>Total</b>			<b>£775,000</b>

**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
<b>Small Works Sub Total</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>£445,000</b>

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

<b>Summary</b>		
<b>Local Transport Plan Programme 2024-25</b>		
<b>Appendix A</b>	<b>Sustainable Transport</b>	<b>£1,932,000</b>
	Improvements for Sustainable Transport	£327,000
	Maintenance of Footpaths, Footways and Cycleways	£1,605,000
<b>Appendix B</b>	<b>Safety</b>	<b>£1,995,000</b>
	Safety Improvement Schemes for All Users	£1,645,000
	Maintenance of Signs and Lines	£350,000
<b>Appendix C</b>	<b>Roads</b>	<b>£18,700,624</b>
	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
<b>Appendix D</b>	<b>Bridges, Structures and Landslips</b>	<b>£3,566,000</b>
	Bridges and Structures	£2,816,000
	Landslips	£750,000
	<b>LTP Programme Total</b>	<b>£26,193,624</b>
	<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>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>£26,193,624</b>
	<b>Balance</b>	<b>£0</b>
<b>Appendix E</b>	<b>Additional U and C Road Maintenance</b>	<b>£4,450,000</b>

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