

## Local Transport Plan – Chilterns AONB Area Strategy - Update.

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Chiltern Local Committee

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### 1 Purpose of report

- a To update the Local Committee on the progress with development and implementation of the main elements of the Local Transport Plan Chilterns AONB Area Strategy.

### 2 Proposed Action

- b The Local Committee is invited to:
  - i. **NOTE the report and REQUEST that members inform their representative groups with the progress to date.**

### 3 Supporting Information

- c The Chilterns AONB area strategy (AONB) forms an integral part of the County Council's Local Transport Plan (LTP). The area includes all of Wycombe District (excluding the Urban area), all of Chiltern District (excluding the Chalfonts area) and the south-eastern parishes of Aylesbury Vale District.
- d The strategy sets out the transport aims, within this area, during the 5 year period of the Local Transport Plan which is 2001/02 – 2005/06.
- e All Local Councils were sent a copy of the LTP last autumn, but if new members have difficulty in obtaining a copy they should contact Mark Thompson (Local Transport Plan Group Manager) on Aylesbury 01296 382080.
- f This is the first progress report regarding the implementation and development of the AONB strategy. It is not intended, in this report, to highlight detailed progress with every single initiative and scheme, just the **milestones** achieved to date with the key elements of the strategy.
- g Progress will be reported regularly to future the Local Committee meetings (possibly each meeting).

### Funding

- h A sum of £430,000 has been allocated for implementation of works within the AONB area strategy this year. This compares with a figure of £85,000 last year.

### Last year

- i As stated above the budget last year was limited and was fully committed. Schemes implemented included:
- Zebra crossing – Link Road, Great Missenden
  - Refuge – A404 outside Crematorium, Amersham
  - Phase 1 Town Centre Enhancement – Chesham
  - Further work on the Central Chilterns Area Traffic Management Project

### This year

- j The increase in funding to £430,000 will help significantly with strategy implementation.
- k Progress will continue as follows:
- **Central Chilterns Area Traffic Management Project**  
Development of this innovative project will be continuing and progress is likely to be significantly improved with the appointment of the Chilterns AONB Transport Officer (see separate report to this committee which gives further information).
  - **Minor schemes**  
Minor scheme implementation (i.e. footways, pedestrian crossings, etc) will continue throughout the year (see the Local Safety and Area Strategy Schemes update report to this committee which sets out the details and progress with these schemes).
  - **Major highway maintenance.**  
Use of low noise surfacing will be incorporated into all of the major resurfacing schemes planned this year (see programme attached to the structural highway maintenance report to this committee).
  - **Chesham Town Centre – Phase 2**  
This environmental enhancement scheme is being jointly promoted by a number of parties, most notably the District, Town and County Councils. Phase 1 of this scheme was completed last year and details of the next phase will be agreed with Chesham Consortium during this year.

- **Report ends** -