

Think Councillor – ETL Select Committee – Sustainable Travel Capital Schemes

Member(s):	ETL Select Committee
Date:	5 th August 2013
Project Briefing:	Sustainable Travel Capital Schemes
Issues:	Further information on Sustainable Travel Capital Schemes (Externally funded Cycling & Walking Schemes)

Background

There is no BCC Capital Budget allocated to cycling and walking schemes, therefore the Sustainability Team actively looks to secure funding from external sources, i.e.:

- Developer Contributions (Section 106)
- Grants (i.e. from the Department for Transport)

A total of around £2.25million of funding has been secured for cycling and walking infrastructure to date for 2013/14 and 2014/15. Some of these projects may roll over into future financial years dependant on factors including: background work required (i.e. design, consultation, land purchase etc.); and date of payments received from Developers. The Sustainability Team is continually seeking opportunities to enhance existing work programmes that help deliver the following key objectives:

- Support economic growth
- Reduce congestion
- Increase cycling and walking levels
- Improve health & wellbeing
- Enhance accessibility
- Reduce carbon

Sources of Funding

Department for Transport:

All of this funding has been secured through bid processes and therefore has to be spent on measures outlined in the bid and within the project scope.

Local Sustainable Transport Fund

The Access to Stations project involves improvements to sustainable access to 4 rail stations, namely Amersham; Beaconsfield; Haddenham & Thame Parkway; and Gerrards Cross. The project has been awarded the following capital funding.

Capital Funding (£000)				
Financial Year	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	Total
Access to Station Project	£49.9	£218	£103.4	£371.4

Cycle Safety Fund

We are also currently awaiting the outcome of a bid for £200k for cycling improvements in Beaconsfield New Town. If successful this will need to be spent in 2013/14.

Developer Contributions (Section 106):

This funding has been secured through planning conditions on approved planning permissions and therefore has to be spent on the measures identified in the planning condition. Please see table below:

Likely Delivery Year*	Project	Location	Funding secured
2013/14	St Mary's Street (Paul's Row) pedestrian & public realm improvements	High Wycombe town centre	£ 222,000
	Pedestrian Improvements	Various, Wycombe	£ 80,000
	High Wycombe to Bourne End former rail corridor (cycle route) (<i>background work</i>)	Bourne End, Wooburn Green	£ 80,000
	A40 Abbey Way surface crossing	A40, Abbey Way	£ 220,000
	Shared footway/ cycleway, Wycombe Road (Marlow Bottom) (<i>feasibility & design</i>)	Marlow	£ 10,000
	Wendover cycling improvements	Wendover	£ 77,000
2014/15	Pedestrian Improvements	Various, Wycombe	£ 30,000
	Glory Park - pedestrian and cycling improvements	A4094 Wycombe Lane	£ 251,000
	Cycle path improvements linking Hallam Land development to Town Centre	Buckingham (south)	£ 396,000
	Cycling & Walking improvements from Moreton Rd development to School	Maids Moreton	£ 51,500
	ARLA to town centre - cycleway along canal towpath	Aylesbury	£ 360,000
	High Wycombe to Bourne End former rail corridor (cycle route) (<i>further funding required</i>)	Bourne End, Wooburn Green	£ 20,000
	Shared footway/ cycleway, Wycombe Road (Marlow Bottom) (<i>further funding required</i>)	Marlow	£ 56,000
TOTAL			£ 1,853,500

* Please note, delivery year will depend on when income is received from Developers and also amount of time needed for design work, consultation etc.

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