

APPENDIX H

NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE HIGHWAYS PARTNERSHIP – JOINT MEMBER PANEL

Meeting held at the Council Offices, Gernon Road, Letchworth Garden City
at 7.30 p.m. on Monday, 25 January 2010

The following extract is an abbreviated version of Minute 49 that has specific reference to Hitchin schemes only and a request from the JMP for matched funding to a scheme that could be completed in the current year.

49. JOINT MEMBER PANEL DISCRETIONARY BUDGET 2009 – 2010

The Hertfordshire Highways Lead Assistant District Manager provided an update on all schemes approved for implementation in 2009 – 2010 as funded by the JMP Discretionary Budget and supported, where possible, by matched funding from NHDC Area Committees and Hertfordshire County Council Members locality budget.. The Lead Assistant District Manager referred the Panel to the Table of Schemes requiring Traffic Regulation Orders and the dates of completion and the table of possible schemes for 2010/11 (and the remainder of 2009/10)

Note: The two following scheme updates were specific to Hitchin.

The Panel noted the updates provided in the report and verbally as follows:

1. Churchyard, Hitchin – cobble remedial works
Bad weather had hindered the start of work on this scheme, now aimed to start in March 2010;
2. Wratten Road West and Winston Close, Hitchin – Parking issues
Consultation concluded – now progressing with formal advert;

Note: The following proposed scheme required a financial contribution from the Hitchin Area Committee in order to proceed. See 5. below.

3. Fishponds Road to Bedford Road (at Elmside Walk), Hitchin – Footpath
This scheme had not been identified for funding through IWP. However, if the Panel should choose to fund these works the scheme could be delivered this financial year and could potentially be delivered as part of the A505 works taking place between January and March 2010.

The Chairman thanked the Lead Assistant District Manager for the updating on current progress with 2009/10 discretionary budget schemes. The Lead Assistant District Manager identified the outstanding balance and at the invitation of the Chairman the Panel identified the following additional schemes/projects for implementation in 2009-2010:

5. Commencement of Fishponds Road to Bedford Road (at Elmside Walk), Hitchin – footway repairs - with funding to be sought from Hitchin Committee to enable completion.

Members recommended that the tables relating to Approved Schemes and Possible Schemes should include a further column to detail possible Section 106 monies.

The Lead Assistant District Manager referred Members to the Parking Controls Ranking System.

Members agreed that this should be used as a guideline.

RESOLVED:

- (1) That the funding balance of £18, 225 remaining in the JMP Discretionary Budget for 2009-2010 be noted;
- (2) That the following additional items be included in the JMP Discretionary Budget expenditure for 2009-2010;

Note: There was one scheme identified in Hitchin.

Fishponds Road to Bedford Road (at Elmside Walk), Hitchin – Footway repairs

- Commencement of scheme

- JMP contribution £6,260
- Matched funding of £3,740 to be sought from Hitchin Committee for completion
- Total estimated costs £10,000

That Hitchin Area Committee be requested to match fund Fishponds Road to Bedford Road (at Elmside Walk), Hitchin in the sum of £3,740;

REASONS FOR DECISIONS:

To ensure effective use of the 2009-2010 JMP Discretionary Budget.

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