

HIGHWAYS WORK PROGRAMME

Hitchin Area Committee

JMP/NHDC Area Committee Match Funded Highway Schemes

Year: 2011/12

Review of Progress

						Traffic Light	Comments
5	Vehicle Activated Signs – Old Hale Way, Strathmore Avenue, Bedford Road, St Michaels Road & Pirton Road, Hitchin – (Investigation Only)	Roger Flowerday 01438 757800	Cost to investigate all suggested sites in Hitchin £5,700 (HAC £1,900, JMP £3,800)	on going	on going	Green	The cost of assessing against the criteria for installation of a VAS signs on the identified roads The approximate cost of installing a VAS sign is in the order of £7500 if the site meets all the criteria set out in HCC's Speed Management Strategy or £15000 if the location doesn't meet all the criteria in which case the panel will have to on commuted sum for the ongoing maintenance of the sign.
6	20mph restrictions in Hitchin (Stormont Road Bearton Road Periwinkle Lane Water Lane Ickleford Road York Road Bunyan Road Dukes Lane Lancaster Road Lancaster Avenue Brampton Park Road)	Roger Flowerday 01438 757800	Investigation Cost £15,000 (HAC £4,350, JMP £10,650)	on going	on going	Green	From the list of roads provided Verulam Road was raised during the consultation phase for the Hitchin Urban Transport Plan and hence will be considered for speed reduction measures as part of the HUTP. The estimate provided allows for all the necessary investigation, including speed and volume counts to assess whether the road meets the criteria for a signing as a 20mph limit as outlined in HCC's Speed Management

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Balmoral Road
Florence Street
Kings Road
Radcliff Road
Dacre Road
Old Hale Way
Strathmore Avenue) –
(INVESTIGATION)

Strategy. A report will be produced detail the roads meeting the criteria together with indicative costs of installing the required signage. Roads not meeting the criteria will be highlighted with indicative costs for traffic calming that would be required to reduce the 85th percentile speeds to 25 mph or less.
If the roads require traffic calming measures to achieve the required 85th percentile speeds the cost is likely to be prohibitive for the Panel.

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A505 j/w Willow Lane , Hitch
– No Right Turn
(Investigation)

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Investigation
Cost £5,500
(Cllr Ashley
£2750, JMP
£2750)

on going

on going

Green

Concerns were expressed about rat running along Willow Lane between the A505 and the A602.
The intention of this investigation is to obtain data on the various turning movements into and out of Willow Lane including Charlton Road, Cranborne Avenue and Hawthorn Close. The information will enable us

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to better understand the problems and identify suitable solutions for dealing with the issues and specifically will enable Herts Highways to assess the impact that a no right turn ban would have on the A505 junction with Willow Lane.

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Estimate for progressing all Junction protection schemes in **Hitchin**
 - Nutleigh Grove j/w Redhill Road,
 - Willowtree Way j/w Old Hale Way,
 (DESIGN, CONSULTATION & IMPLEMENTATION) –
SCHEMES TO BE PROGRESSED VIA NHDC AS PART OF THE HITCHIN AREA REVIEW

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Cost of progressing all five junction protection scheme candidates in North Herts
 £10,000 (JMP £6,667, HAC £3,333)

on going

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Green

Nutleigh Grove is accessed off Redhill Road, either side of the access there is a short precinct of shops which are fronted by a lay-by. When these lay-by's become full vehicles tend to park along Nutleigh Grove right up to the give way line. This parking significantly restricts access into the road and effectively narrows Nutleigh Grove to a single lane. This site would be suitable for junction protection with double yellow lines at the junction.
 Willowtree Way and Old Hale Way - Advised by Councillor Billing that parking occurs on the junction during

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school pick up/drop off times.

14	Old Hale Way, Hitchin – Pedestrian Islands in vicinity of Our Lady’s Primary School (Feasibility)	Roger Flowerday 01438 757800	Cost £3,250 MEMBERS OF THE HAC INDICATED THAT THE AREA COMMITTEE MIGHT BE ABLE TO CONTRIBUTE £1250	on going	on going	Green	Feasibility study cost estimate for investigating the possibility of installing pedestrian crossing islands in the vicinity of the school. Indicative works cost of installing the island, including design and management £11,500.
(v)	Cambridge Road, Hitchin – Pedestrian Crossing (Feasibility)	Roger Flowerday 01438 757800	The indicative cost for installing a signal controlled crossing in this location is £100k	Awaiting Confirmation on funding	Awaiting Confirmation on funding	Red	This site has already been identified in the Hitchin UTP ref WM2.1. The HUTP assessed this location and concluded that due to the levels of traffic using this route and instances of excessive speed it is felt that a signalised crossing is the most effective solution.
(vi)	Verulam Road/Nightingale Road, Hitchin – Pedestrian	Roger Flowerday	Cost £3,500	Awaiting Confirmation	Awaiting Confirmation	Red	Feasibility study cost estimate for investigating the possibility of installing

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pedestrian crossing islands at the junction of Nightingale Road and Verulam Road.
Indicative works cost of installing the island, including design and management of the works £11,500.

(vii)

Bearton Road (east of j/w Old Hale Way), Hitchin - Parking / Rat running / Speeding (Feasibility)

Roger Flowerday
01438
757800

Cost £6,350

Awaiting Confirmation on funding

Awaiting Confirmation on funding

Red

Feasibility study cost estimate for investigating the traffic related issues raised and identify possible solutions.

(viii)

Walsworth Road (at the j/w Verulam Road), Hitchin – Review proximity of zebra to junction (Investigation)

Roger Flowerday
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Cost £3,780

Awaiting Confirmation on funding

Awaiting Confirmation on funding

Red

Feasibility study cost estimate to investigate concerns surrounding the proximity of the existing zebra crossing to the roundabout