

BRIEFING TO THE FAILSWORTH & HOLLINWOOD DISTRICT EXECUTIVE

Highways & Engineering Service Update

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Purpose of Report

To provide the District Executive with an update on issues raised by Councillors and members of the public and to give an overview of the current activity in Highways.

1 UPDATE ON ISSUES RAISED AT PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The following issues have been raised by members (feedback in *italics*):

- 1.1 The Cabinet Member for Housing, Transport and Planning was looking to develop a strategy to deal with potholes and a feedback mechanism. *Ongoing*

2 UPDATE ON PROGRAMMES OF WORK

2.1 Highways Capital Programme 2015 - 2016

2.1.1 The Highways Capital Programme for Failsworth & Hollinwood includes the following highway works:

Street	Area	Description	Location	Proposed Start	Proposed end	Notes
ABBEY ROAD	FAILSWORTH	Resurfacing	Whole Length	03/06/2015	12/06/2015	Complete
ABBEY CLOSE	FAILSWORTH	Resurfacing	Whole Length	09/06/2015	11/06/2015	Complete
ARGYLL PARK ROAD	FAILSWORTH	Resurfacing	Whole Length	09/06/2015	11/06/2015	Complete
ASHTON ROAD	FAILSWORTH	Carriageway Resurfacing	Whole Length	10/08/2015	04/09/2015	Road Markings due to be complete 16 Oct 2015
CLIFTON STREET	FAILSWORTH	Resurfacing	Whole Length	01/06/2015	05/06/2015	Complete
CUTLER HILL ROAD	FAILSWORTH	Resurfacing	From roundabout to side of 37 Stockburn Drive	08/06/2015	10/06/2015	Complete
GREEN LANE	FAILSWORTH	Carriageway Resurfacing	Whole Length	10/08/2015	04/09/2015	Road Markings due to be complete 16 Oct 2015
HOLBORN AVENUE	FAILSWORTH	Resurfacing	Whole Length	04/06/2015	12/06/2015	Complete
KENSINGTON ROAD	FAILSWORTH	Resurfacing	Whole Length	04/06/2015	12/06/2015	Complete
LANDSBERG ROAD	FAILSWORTH	Resurfacing	Whole Length	05/06/2015	12/06/2015	Complete
LORD LANE	FAILSWORTH	Carriageway Resurfacing	From Ashton Road East to Day Drive	03/08/2015	05/08/2015	Complete
LORD LANE	FAILSWORTH	Carriageway Resurfacing	From Day Drive junction to end of Lane	31/08/2015	11/09/2015	Complete
MAYFAIR CRESCENT	FAILSWORTH	Resurfacing	Whole Length	03/06/2015	12/06/2015	Complete
MEDLOCK ROAD	FAILSWORTH	Carriageway Resurfacing	Whole Length	10/08/2015	04/09/2015	Complete
MINOR STREET	FAILSWORTH	Micro Asphalt Carriageway	Whole Length	17/04/2015	19/04/2015	Complete
MINOR STREET	FAILSWORTH	Slurry Seal Footways	Whole Length	30/06/2015	03/07/2015	Complete
MINOR STREET	FAILSWORTH	Carriageway Resurfacing	From Clifton Street to Shepley Street junction	15/06/2015	23/06/2015	Complete
STANSFIELD ROAD	FAILSWORTH	Resurfacing	From roman Road junction to No. 28	02/06/2015	12/06/2015	Complete
WESLEY STREET	FAILSWORTH	Micro Asphalt Carriageway	Whole Length	17/04/2015	19/04/2015	Complete

2.2 Wickentree Lane Accident Reduction Scheme

A new project is being developed on Wickentree Lane as part of the 2015/16 Capital Programme.

Numerous complaints have been received regarding the speed and volume of traffic using Wickentree Lane and Wrigley Head, Failsworth. A study has therefore been undertaken to try and resolve these issues.

The majority of concerns received are connected with Oldham bound traffic on the A62, choosing to use Wrigley Head and Wickentree Lane as an alternative, to avoid the congestion that can be experienced along the A62 at peak times. Concerns have also been received from residents and the owners of Housing

Units regarding the speed of traffic particularly in the Wickentree Lane area and have requested that measures are introduced to address this issue.

A scheme has therefore been designed which will prohibit traffic from driving along the full length of Wrigley Head and Wickentree Lane, in a north easterly (Oldham bound) direction. Motorists will be able to drive along the full length of Wrigley Head and part way along Wickentree Lane, but a prohibition of entry restriction and a restricted road width will be imposed prior to the Croft Street junction which will prevent access to Oldham Road. This location has been chosen as it has less impact on the majority of residents and will hopefully reduce vehicle speeds where there is a higher concentration of pedestrian crossing movement's i.e at the Housing Units entrance. Motorists will still be permitted to drive the full length of both streets in the opposite direction (Wickentree Lane – Wrigley Head)

In addition to restricting traffic movements, it is also proposed to introduce traffic calming measures on Wickentree Lane where residents are experiencing anti-social driving problems.

A consultation exercise is currently underway where we are seeking feedback to the proposals ahead of undertaking the statutory consultation for the introduction of the necessary traffic orders and finalising the detailed design.

2.3 LTP

2.3.1 Tesco, Failsworth

As a result of recent feedback the design was revisited to include extra features. As a consequence of that the scheme would cost more than the available LTP funding in 13/14 so a revised bid was submitted for LTP 14/15 and an extra 53k of funding was secured. Unity is now in the process of refining the design. Construction stage is planned for December 2014.

Update November 2014: Detailed design is now complete so Regeneration and Brookhouse are negotiating the improvements with Tesco. Tesco will need to agree to the improvements as part of their lease agreement. Construction work is scheduled for after the Christmas embargo i.e. mid-January 2015.

Update January 2015: The scheme is currently on hold pending further discussions with Tesco concerning their initial request that the 'through route' is adopted by the council prior to them agreeing to the proposed improvements.

Update March 2015: The scheme is still on hold. The road in its current form / alignment would not meet adoption standards. Significant realignments, installation of new signalised junctions and structural work to the existing canal bridge would be required to make the link to an adoptable standard. An outline cost estimate for the works would be up to £3m.

Update July 2015: Discussions are ongoing with Tesco to secure a resolution to the proposals.

Update October 2015: Discussions are still ongoing with Tesco to secure a resolution to the proposals.

2.4 Utility works

Update October 2015: At the Co-ordination meeting held on 4 September 2015 no major planned works were noted for the Failsworth & Hollinwood area.