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Annual Report of the Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport

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1. Summary / Background

1.1. As Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport I intend to use this report to highlight the key activities and achievements of the past year within these service areas. In addition, this report also highlights the work that these services have undertaken to support the Council's response to Covid-19 pandemic.

2. Highways and Transport Commissioning

- **2.1.** Over the last year several key areas of transport policy and investment have been progressed including;
 - Promoting the need for investment in the A303 and A358 resulting in a preferred route announcement for the A358 scheme.
 - Developing the work of the new 'Peninsula Transport' Sub National Transport body with Cornwall, Devon, Plymouth and Torbay. We have jointly secured Government investment in several major transport schemes including development funding for the A38 Corridor to Bristol Airport, and Government support for the A39 Walton/ Ashcott Bypass.
 - Finalising Local Walking and Cycling Infrastructure Plans for Bridgwater,
 Taunton and Yeovil which need to be in place to secure proposed
 Government funds for walking and cycling.
 - Submitting bids for Government highway maintenance challenge funding, leading to an award of £4.7m for a major maintenance scheme at Junction 26 of the M5 near Wellington.
 - Developing the transport elements of the Climate Emergency Strategy and helping secure Government funding to develop an analytics tool to quantify and monitor the carbon impact of transport policy interventions to assist in policy decision-making.
 - Finalising a study and engagement with town and parish councils into options for responding to ongoing cliff recession at Cleeve Hill Watchet and Blue Anchor and the likely impact on highway access to the area via

- the B3191. Funding has now been committed to the works at Blue Anchor which are planned for early 2021.
- Submitting our annual self-assessment for delivery of highway services to secure £4m incentive funding for highway maintenance and a continuation of our 'Band 3' assessment which is the highest performance category.
- Submitting a Pinch Point expression of interest to DfT for a strategic east-west cycle network in Taunton that links the two Park and Rides and Nexus 25. We will be asking for roughly £10m towards a £12m scheme.
- Helping develop the next stage business plan for re-opening Wellington and Cullompton Station following the successful bid to the 'restoring your railway' fund; and helping make the case to DfT regarding opening rail connection to Shepton Mallet.
- Submitted an expression of interest for £1.5m rural mobility funding to implement an innovative digital demand responsive transport (DRT) service in areas of South Somerset and Somerset West and Taunton (SWaT). The bid seeks funding to introduce new services and modernise our dial-a-ride service with an automated back office and driver/user apps, and better data driven demand forecasting aiming to attract new customer groups including younger people and working age customers to enable more commercial operation.
- Rolling-out a new advertising system on our highways fleet which is initially being used for Covid-19 related health messages. The system can subsequently be used for paid advertising as a new income stream at the appropriate time.
- Engaging with the District Council's on development of 'high streets fund' bids which include improved cycle connections across Taunton linking between Vivary Park and Firepool and a range of improvements in Yeovil including changes to town centre access arrangements.
- Undertaking an 'end to end' review of the local planning process in Somerset to streamline and improve the way planning applications are considered and processed between the planning authorities and the County Council as highway authority.
- Progressing a joint Electric Vehicle charging strategy with the District Council.
- **2.2.** In addition to the progressing several policy and investment initiatives, the Highways and Transport Commissioning team have supported the development and implementation of a number of measures in response to the Covid-19 pandemic. Somerset received an initial funding allocation of £120,000 to implement emergency active travel measures so that work could begin on closing roads to through traffic, installing segregated cycle lanes and widening pavements.
- **2.3.** Working in partnership with District Councils, the Police and Public Health, the team has sought to identify opportunities for cycling to replace journeys

previously made by car or public transport and deliver both short term and longer-term benefits to travellers and the wider County in response to Government's call for schemes as part of second tranche of the Active Travel Initiative. The Tranche 2 proposals continue the real ambition shown in tranche 1 schemes and build on the success in improving safe conditions to support the re-opening of high streets across the County.

3. Major Scheme Delivery

- 3.1 Colley Lane Southern Access Road (Squibbers Way) this new £18.4 million road linking Marsh Lane to Parrett Way was officially opened on 16 December 2019 and was built on programme and to budget. The scheme was designed to help ease congestion along Taunton Road and Broadway by providing an alternative route from the M5 for lorries serving the Colley Lane estate. The road also opens up brownfield land in the area for development, supporting the delivery of planned housing and employment land. The scheme has already won first place in the 2020 South West CIHT Transport Innovation Awards, the Infrastructure South West Award at the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS) Social Impact Awards 2020, and Institution of Civil Engineers (ICE) South West Civil Engineering Awards 2020.
- 3.2 Yeovil Western Corridor The Western Corridor scheme, which saw a series of roundabouts between Copse Road and Lysander Road replaced with traffic light-controlled junctions was awarded a silver award from the Considerate Constructors National Site Awards. The award recognises the excellence that the contractor our team and contractor, Alun Griffiths, showed towards the public, its workforce and the environment through adhering to the Considerate Constructors Scheme's Code of Considerate Practice.
- 3.3 Junction 25 upgrade The J25 scheme involves full signalisation and enlarging of the roundabout, widening of the eastern exit, a new roundabout to access the proposed Nexus 25 employment site, and improved pedestrian and cycling facilities. On-site working methods to comply with Covid-19 Social Distancing guidelines have adapted well and the project took the opportunity to undertake key activities on the live carriageway whilst traffic was lighter. I am pleased to report that the scheme is on programme and within budget.

4. Minor Schemes (Small Improvement Schemes)

4.1. Over the last year, despite the inevitably increased challenges presented, our team during the last few months, we have continued the delivery of our successful 'Small Improvement Schemes' (SIS) programme. This programme enables local communities (through their local County Councillor) to request proposals for small highway improvements and, to date, the schemes have generally focussed on improving road safety and accessibility. The SIS Team continue to work hard, along with our contractors and their supply chains, in order to support and maintain the delivery of the SIS programme, as far as is reasonably practicable to progress delivery by mid-2021. Since the start of the

SIS programme we have implemented over 235 schemes with a further 42 being progressed through design and into construction.

5. Development Engineering

- **5.1.** We continue to provide technical/design support services to developers and supporting our role as a statutory consultee in the planning process, reacting to an ever-increasing volume of planning applications. The team are Currently overseeing the remobilisation of developer funded highway works post Covid-19 lockdown. Other activities have included;
 - Managing the delivery of the highway elements of the following major urban expansions at Monkton Heathfield and Comeytrowe in Taunton and Brimsmore and Lufton in Yeovil.
 - Overseeing the delivery of the main access roads serving the Gravity Smart Campus (Huntspill Energy Park) in Puriton, Bridgwater.
 - Project managing the highway authority's engagement on the delivery of the highway infrastructure associated with the Hinkley Point C New Nuclear Build, National Grid Connections and A303/ A358 Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects.
 - Currently administering 1080 road adoption agreements pursuant to new and improved highway infrastructure assets which have been collectively valued at approximately £303 Million. Of these agreements, over 580 relate to infrastructure that is currently under construction at a collective estimated value of over £174 Million.
 - Since the start of September 2019 to the end of June 2020 completed 640 technical and road safety audits of designs for new or improved highway infrastructure proposals within the county, an average of 14 per week.
 - Introduced a new service via Somerset Rivers Authority funding to assess the installation of selected Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems within the County.
 - Completed over 100 road safety audits post completion of highway infrastructure works.
 - Completed a further 9 Walked Route Assessments to support Education and Children's Services.

6. Highway Maintenance

6.1. The County Council's statutory duty as Highway Authority to manage and maintain the highway network is fulfilled by the Highway Maintenance team located in ECI Operations. The highway infrastructure in Somerset is the County Council's largest and most valuable asset, upon which other services depend on a daily basis. The highway network in Somerset is currently valued at approximately £6.2bn and includes around 6,600km of carriageway, over 2,500 bridges and structures, 50,000 streetlights and many other highway assets. Provision of a safe, well maintained highway network for residents and visitors to Somerset defined by a hierarchy of usage and strategic importance

through a planned and risk-based approach.

- **6.2.** The Highways Service is managed through the following strategic functions:
 - Asset Management (including Structural Maintenance, Asset Data and Performance)
 - Routine and Environmental Maintenance
 - Safety Inspections, Legal and Enforcement
 - Winter and Emergency Service
 - Bridges and Structures
 - Rights of Way
 - Highway Lighting
- **6.3.** The revenue investment in highways through 2019/20 amounted to £10.3m and capital investment was £30m. The table in appendix 1 of this report summarises the investment and innovation in highways service during the last year.
- **6.4.** Somerset County Council is a member of the Cost Quality Customers (CQC) Efficiency Network. The CQC Efficiency Network benchmarks the cost of carriageway maintenance in local authority areas on a like for like basis. The improvement of each authority is measured, and their efficiency savings quantified over time. Using the CQC methodology, Somerset Highways has achieved 10.7% increase in efficiency improvements since 2013/14 recording an overall efficiency result of 97%.

7. Traffic Management, Road Safety and Parking Services

- **7.1.** Street works co-ordination remains a huge challenge for the service with the demand to occupy the highway network increasing. Approximately 24,390 sets of work have been undertaken in the last year. Over 6,300 facilitated by temporary signals and over 3,520 under road closures. 1,415 Fixed Penalty Notices have so far been issued for incorrectly noticed works, of these 520 were Parity Charges for our Term Maintenance contractors. We also successfully prosecuted Statutory Undertakers for various offences under the Street works legislation and have prosecution cases pending.
- **7.2.** Somerset had a successful transition to a Permitting Authority on the 3rd February this year and the scheme has been operating successfully. A permit Scheme allows us to charge Statutory Undertakers fixed fee's for undertaking works on the highway. The objectives and benefits of the Somerset Permit Scheme are to reduce disruption on the road network though better control of works to help improve overall network management, reductions in costs to businesses by reducing delays and improving the reliability & accuracy of works information. The projected cost saving in disruption is estimated to be £51.5m per annum and is made up of travel time impacts for business users and other motorists, the additional cost of accidents within the road works and the

additional cost of fuel.

- 7.3. The Traffic Engineering service continues without issue although customer requests for service remain high. The team have been focussing on strategic route road markings refurbishment and sign cleaning programs, taking advantage of the quiet network for delivery in recent times. Road closure applications and payment are now submitted online saving administration costs and reducing aged debt recovery through reduction in invoicing etc. Requests for service remain high. In the last 12 months a total of 1956 road closures were processed an increase of approximately 20% when compared to the previous year.
- **7.4.** Work has commenced on the delivery of the Advisory 20mph Speed Limit Schools Project. We have completed the initial site analysis on a small number of schools and remaining school sites have been prioritised. Work on the first phase of schemes is set to commence next month.
- **7.5.** Throughout this year the service has progressed a number of parking reviews in the following Towns; Taunton, Dunster, Minehead, Wells, Frome, Highbridge and Burnham. Over the next year these schemes will be finalised and implemented following consultation. In addition, several applications were received under the new resident parking schemes policy and progressed with communities during the year. As of 31st March 2020, the following locations were being progressed:
 - Malvern Terrace, Taunton.
 - Richmond Park, Taunton.
 - Rowbarton Area, Taunton.
 - Barclay Street, Bridgwater.
 - Wells Road (part), Glastonbury.
 - Weymouth Road, Frome.
 - Cornishway Trading Estate, Taunton.
 - Stoberry Park Area, Wells.
 - Nerrols Farm School, Taunton.
 - Quantock Court, South Esplanade, Burnham-On-Sea.
 - Richard Huish College Area, Taunton.
 - Clarkes Row and Clarkes Close, Chard.
 - All Saints Terrace, Bridgwater.
 - Dunstan Road, Burnham On Sea.
 - Mill Street, Wincanton.
- **7.6.** The Road Safety team has continued its vital work to reduce the number of people killed and injured on Somerset's roads. In 2019, sadly 22 people died in fatal collisions; whilst 148 were seriously injured and 1207 people suffered more minor injuries. The number of people killed and seriously injured decreased by 24 over last year's figures, although the number of collisions overall increased by 16.

- 7.7. In Somerset, road safety is always a priority, and I am continuing to support the transition plan to implement our road safety strategy, driving forward our efforts using the latest approaches, and partnerships to support delivery to reduce injury collisions. Last year we launched the opportunity for companies to sponsor our road safety work, to support the County Council to continue investing in measures to influence collision reductions. We will look to develop this work as the County recovers from Covid-19. Key achievements were:
 - A continued focus on child road safety through our TACS (Truck and Child Safety) sessions.
 - The engagement with and delivery of talks and training to over 21,000 people.
 - 2300 pupils were trained in 'Bikeability' cycle safety training.
 - Over 1,700,000 million impressions and reach recorded through our social media channels, and we continue to increase our number of followers.
 - The production of the Stay Safe booklet for Primary Schools, including advice for parents and children.
 - The Learn to Live younger drivers' package has been developed proved to be a popular event at sixth form colleges.

8. Transporting Somerset

- **8.1.** Over the last year Transporting Somerset ensured around 9,000 Mainstream and Special Educational Needs pupils, who were entitled to free home to school transport, were safely delivered to and from school every day. Transporting Somerset has provided over 154,000 trips to enable individual service users to reach their care placements and health patients to attend clinics and hospitals.
- **8.2.** Financial support continues to be provided annually for 70 public transport contracts (which include College Transport routes and Slinky Demand Responsive bus services) which are not able to operate commercially. This financial support is provided to ensure a statutory need is met, or where on a discretionary basis the Council considers it appropriate to ensure a service is provided.
- **8.3.** Our Public Transport Team issued around 17,500 Concessionary Bus passes, both new applications and renewals and over 1400 County Ticket bus passes to students attending Further Education. A new system for online application and renewals for concessionary bus passes was implemented to reduce administration and improve the application process for users.
- **8.4.** As part of our 'Big Bus Initiative' a fleet of five 59 seat coaches arrived in August 2019 for our in-house fleet to operate on School contracts. A new fleet livery was to the vehicles and CCTV cameras and destination blind equipment was fitted. Modifications to our depot site in Bridgwater were undertaken to accommodate these vehicles and operations commenced on Tuesday 3 September 2019. Since the arrival of the coaches we have operated a number

of Rail Replacement contracts over the past year, mainly at weekends.

- **8.5.** We have undertaken a large amount of training for our Fleet Operations Staff in relation to Special Educational Needs Transport (SEN). As our Learning Disabilities Transport reduces, we have expanded our support and have ensured that our staff are fully trained and ready to take on the opportunities to provide SEN Transport.
- **8.6.** In the run up to Christmas 2019 we stepped in to support the NHS using our in-house minibus fleet. Whilst we provide transport for "walking patients" the NHS uses another provider for wheelchair transfers, but a spike in demand for NHS services left their normal provider unable to cope and we were asked to help. We provided transport to discharge wheelchair clients from Musgrove Park and Yeovil Hospitals on several evenings in the run up to Christmas 2019 and this provision continued into January 2020.
- **8.7.** We received a new fleet of 4x4 people carriers during March 2020. These vehicles replaced both existing people carriers and minibuses in our fleet and have given us the capability to ensure that we can fulfil our contract with the NHS to continue essential journeys during snow/ice weather events, without having to call on Wessex 4x4, or use less suitable 4x4 vehicles to transport patients, as we have had to do in the past.
- the impact of service changes they wished to introduce from 6 April to a minimum through a combination of tendering services, working with them to agree deminimis contracts, where we fund parts of commercial services, and took on some routes with our own in house fleet. The Department for Transport announced additional funding for bus services which we needed to apply for. The timescales to bid for this funding (£443k for 2020/21) were very short with the application having to be submitted by 13 March 2020. We worked on proposals discussing this opportunity with Bus Operators and other interested parties prior to making an application by the deadline set. Our application was successful, and we were allocated the funds just before the first National Covid-19 Lockdown.

9. Activities during the Covid-19 pandemic

9.1. Throughout the Council's response to the Covid-19 pandemic our Highways and Transport staff have worked incredibly hard to support our response. I wanted to take this opportunity to highlight some of the excellent work in unprecedent circumstances.

9.2. Activities included;

 Traffic Engineering and our parking enforcement contractor, NSL, provided extensive support to the reopening of the Household Waste Recycling Centres. Resource was provided at each centre to assist with

- the expected build-up of traffic queues. In addition, they also provided for the COVID-19 testing centre at the Silk Mills Park and Ride site to assist with traffic management on the site to ensure those arriving for a test were quickly directed to the correct area.
- In partnership with District and Town Councils, the Traffic Engineering team supported the reopening of the County's high streets and the implementation measures to encourage walking and cycling in 13 locations across the County. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Carnival Clubs for the support in providing additional traffic management measures in a number of our Town's in support of this initiatives.
- Traffic Engineering and Road Safety staff supported the delivery of display screen equipment (DSE) to members and staff and over 450 deliveries have been made so far.
- Due to significantly less traffic on the network during lockdown, requirements around traffic sensitive routes were relaxed and daytime works allowed to take place where that would normally be very disruptive. We also supported works promotors to bring works forward to benefit from the quieter roads and get disruptive works out the way in order to lessen the impact of future works. However, as traffic volumes are now increasing on many roads, we are re-introducing the traffic sensitive routes to reduce disruption from working during peak hours.
- During lockdown bus operators were advised that their Concessionary
 Fare payments would continue to be made at the same levels during this
 incident regardless of the number of passengers travelling. This was in
 line with our obligation to financially support suppliers and guidance
 received from the Department for Transport to support local bus
 operators.
- To support health and social care transport the Transporting Somerset team established 7 day working arrangements with the NHS following the re-allocation of most of the patient transport to our in-house fleet. This was to ensure that if there are any changes or additional requests over weekends we could respond accordingly. We also took on responsibility for providing in-house transport for renal, dialysis and oncology patients.
- Social Care transport requests are continuing to increase as well as other health transport requests as the NHS begins to stand up services. We are working closely with both Health and Social Care colleagues to monitor and plan for increasing demands with the limited resources available until we are able to stand up our volunteers again. At the request of the NHS a RAG rating monitoring system has been developed which shows at a glance the capacity we have at any one time to aid planning of resources as the pressure for additional transport increases.
- House building effectively ceased in the early days of the pandemic, but the vast majority of housing sites have now recommenced in one form

- or another. Workload remains high as developers seek to progress their schemes and necessary post consent technical approval this highlights the importance of the service to support business recovery. The overall audit programme has been reduced significantly through prioritising this work and undertaking road safety audits by a mixture of desktop and site visits, thereby avoiding a system blockage.
- During the early stages of lockdown discussions were initiated with the Mendip Quarry Producers Association to support the highways supply chain and understand continuity arrangements for asphalt supply.
- This year our Highways team and contractors took advantage of the reduced traffic volumes and good weather and consequently the dressing programme completed on the 24 June. We dressed 140 sites this year.
- Anecdotal evidence suggested that rights of way path usage intensified during lockdown with increased tensions between the public and landowners. As a result, localised temporary permissive diversions were sanctioned to direct the public away from farmyards or gardens and to assist with social distancing compliance and reduce contact with farmyard gates etc···

10. Financial Management

10.1. I can report that the service delivered all the above activities within its budget whilst realising its planned medium-term financial plan efficiencies. This included an ambitious programme of infrastructure improvements to support growth and prosperity across our County.

Appendix 1 - investment and innovation in both highways and rights of way

Work type	Overall value	Output	Innovation and initiatives	
Rights of Way	Rights of Way			
Vegetation clearance	£74,562 (2020 total)	443km of rights of way cleared each season (60% completed so far for 2020)	Volunteer schemes - strimmer scheme, Adopt-a-Path - providing adding benefit and empowerment to local community self- help.	
Routine and reactive inspections and issue resolution	£134,320 rev £238,178 cap £372,498 total	80%+ of the 6144km long network 'easy to use'	100% of routine path inspections undertaken by trained volunteers. Ongoing push to recruit	

through works and diversion orders			more volunteers.
Land Charges searches	£53,431 income	6500 searches since Sep 2019 (99% completed on time)	Traditionally a heavily paper-based process that is now 100% electronic and being delivered from home working.
Determining applications	N/A (staff time)	10 modification applications and 1 Town & Village Green application determined since Sep 2019	New processes in place to increase determination rate and recruitment of additional officers to address historic backlog of applications.
Highway Lighti	ng £1,660,600	0.00	
Compulsory Cyclical Maintenance/El ectrical Testing	£765,628.00	Designated against approximately 20,000 assets	To maintain the illuminated assets across the county.
Asset Replacement - Routine	£556,600.00	Replacement of approximately 325 illuminated assets across the county.	Replace ageing stock and install new LED energy saving equipment as well as reduce SCC's carbon footprint.
Non-Routine Asset Replacements	£337,772.00	Replacement of assets: Reported by Term Maintenance Contractor via Cyclical Maintenance, Electrical Testing, RTC's and General Maintenance.	Replace ageing stock and install new LED energy saving equipment as this will reduce SCC's carbon footprint.
Asset Managen	nent		
Safety inspections	£3,499,400	Repair of highway safety defects and provides SCC with a Section 58 statutory defence (Highways Act 1980)	Highway safety inspections undertaken to ensure the safe passage of all highway users.
Potholes	£2,463,483	19,917 potholes repaired	Viafix (cold lay asphalt)

			being used in water filled potholes.
Bridges and St	ructures		
Capital Improvement Schemes	£360,000.00	Various general refurbishment and improvement schemes including parapet.	To maintain and improve the integrity/safety of our structures
Bridge Strengthening Schemes	£375,000.00	Structural strengthening schemes including redecking and culvert lining schemes	To enable the structures to safely carry unrestricted highway loadings
Flood alleviation Schemes	£135,000.00	Desilting of bridges and culverts to restore capacity of structure to reduce potential flooding risk	SRA funded desilting schemes to reduce likelihood of flooding events.

Winter and	£1,489,000	Delivery of winter gritting and	Start of a 3-year process
Emergency Service		associated functions (e.g. grit bin filling) and all responses to adverse weather (e.g. storms, road traffic collisions, and so on)	to update all weather reporting stations to a more reliable system. Also looking into route forecasting, which has the potential to reduce gritter deployments during marginal weather conditions, thus reducing the environmental impact of salting as well as other associated cost saving benefits. A business case (and Capital bid) for gritter replacement is currently being drafted to replace the
Routine and En	T	I	I
Verge Maintenance (Planned)	£217,119.00	An annual, countywide programme. A' and 'B' network cut 2x per year (inclusive of visibility splays). 'C' and Unclassified network cut 1x per year (inclusive of visibility splays). Sensitive Sites cut x per year at the end of the season. 11,195.30km of verge cut 1,475 visibility splays cut	All environmental works seek to protect wildlife on roadside verges, while maintaining road safety, consistent with the Somerset Highways Biodiversity Manual and the Somerset Pollinator Action Plan.
Noxious and Invasive Weeds	£23,200.00	An annual programme of weed control. Noxious Weeds (Common Ragwort) and Invasive Weeds, (Japanese Knotweed, Himalayan Knotweed, Himalayan Balsam and Giant Hogweed) are treated up to 4x per season. 294 sites c/wide.	
Hedge Trimming	£66,281.00	Orders raised on a reactive basis and predominantly driven by service request. 96 sites c/wide.	

Gully Cleansing (Planned)	£455,000.00	An annual, county-wide, programme of cyclical gully cleansing. All known highway gullies are cleansed on a risk- based approach. Gullies in flood susceptible areas cleaned every year. Gullies in rural non-flood susceptible areas cleaned every two years. Gullies in urban non-flood susceptible areas cleaned every four years. 70,256 gullies c/wide.	
Gully Cleansing (Reactive)	£145,800.00	Orders raised on a reactive basis and predominantly driven by service request. 231 sites c/wide.	
Ditches & Grips	£45,800.00	Orders raised on a reactive basis and predominantly driven by service request. 86 sites c/wide.	
Drain Jetting	£136,300.00	Orders raised on a reactive basis and predominantly driven by service request. 413 sites c/wide.	
Ploughing (Siding)	£56,700.00	Orders raised on a reactive basis and predominantly driven by service request. 114 sites c/wide.	
Cattle Grids	£3,300.00	Orders raised on a reactive basis and predominantly driven by service request. (Inspections, cleansing and minor repairs). 39 sites c/wide.	
Somerset Rivers Authority			
Enhanced Gully Emptying	£150,000.00	Countywide programme of works issued. The highest priority gullies are cleansed annually by SCC. The SRA funding supported an additional clean of the high-risk gullies. 14,221 gullies c/wide.	

hanced Drain £100,000.00 tting roactive)	Targeting known flooding locations. Orders raised on a proactive basis and predominantly driven by service request. 184 sites c/wide.	
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Structural Maintenance

A number of innovation and improvements projects are being promoted by the SM function. Through ADT value engineering and promotion of more sustainable material pallet such as SPL regen, foam base recycled (tar) base, recycled fill materials, warm mix asphalts.

Carriageway resurfacing (A and B road network)	£2,679,976.0 0	22 Schemes
Carriageway resurfacing (C and unclassified network)	£1,857,398.0 0	40 Schemes
Surface dressing	£9,573,791.0 0	1.13m m ²
Other surface treatments; Retexturing, Crack Sealing, Paco-patch, Dragon Patched	£272,831.00	Various Locations
Highway surface water drainage improvements	£779,720.00	29 Schemes
Footway resurfacing	£1,056,598.0 0	41 Schemes
Earthworks and embankments	£85,656.00	13 Schemes
SRA schemes	£246,601.00	6 Schemes