Royal Borough of Windsor & Maidenhead Press Release

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Investment set to improve road network

Roads across the Royal Borough will benefit from improvements and investments worth more than £7.7m over the next year.

The funds include £2.7m for the annual works programme including resurfacing and an extra £240,000 to repair winter damage.

The rest of the funding will be used to maintain and improve the highway network including bridge maintenance, cycle schemes, verge protection, road markings and more.

Cllr Phill Bicknell, cabinet member for highways, transport and Windsor, said: "We are looking to invest in improving our road network to help keep the borough moving.

"The funding will improve road surfaces and safety right across the borough with a variety of schemes.

"We are spending £7.7m to improve our road network, this includes both major capital schemes and annual works to improve the hundreds of thousands of journeys made on our roads every year.

"This year's annual works, worth £2.7m, will restore infrastructure, preventing the need for more expensive works in the future and creating new features including crossings and widened carriageways. It will also launch schemes to boost safety and make cycling easier.

"Additionally we are looking at increasing funding for road repairs in this financial year in response to extreme weather over the winter. This would build on the £1.7m we have already approved for resurfacing."

The £7.7m is split between £2.7m in the annual works programme and £5m from the previously approved capital works programme.

The investment includes:

- £100,000 for traffic management
- £50,000 for road safety marking programmes
- £1,700,000 for road resurfacing
- £255,000 for bridge assessments
- £150,000 for bridge parapet improvements
- £65,000 for safer routes to schools
- £120,000 for local safety schemes
- £75,000 for cycling infrastructure
- £50,000 for school cycle and scooter storage

- £100,000 for verge protection measures
- £50,000 for reducing congestion and air quality improvements
- £350,000 for Clewer and Dedworth neighbourhood improvements

A paper approved by cabinet on Thursday 24 May sets out the detailed scheme of these works.

Last year the Royal Borough fixed 3,500 potholes during the two-month pothole challenge.

If you find a pothole you can report it using the <u>dedicated form</u> on our website or on 01628 683800. Other defects including broken street lights can be reported on the same number or through the online<u>report it</u> form.

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