Highways Update Report - Area East

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Purpose of the Report

Being the first report for the 2017/18 financial year, I aim to give a brief report of the highway works carried out last financial year in Area South and our proposed works programme for 2017/2018.

Recommendation

That Area East Committee notes the content of this report.

Schemes completed in 2016/17 (Area East)

Bratton Seymour	A371 Cary/Wincanton Road Principle Resurfacing	
llchester	Market Place/Church Street	Resurfacing
Wincanton	Dancing Lane	Resurfacing
Marston Magna	Rimpton Road (adj Easton Farm)	Resurfacing
Charlton Horethorne	Stowell Hill	Resurfacing
Sparkford	Green Close	Footways
Ansford	Ancastle Avenue/ Terrace	Footways
Bruton	A359 Cuckoo Hill	Drainage
North Cadbury	A359 Foxcombe Farm/ Galhampton Hill	Drainage
Castle Cary	Coopers Ash Lane, Cockhill	Drainage
Bruton	Wyke Road, Wyke Champflower	Drainage
Cucklington	Long Hill	Drainage
Milborne Port	East Street	Drainage
Ansford	A371, Ansford Hill	Earthworks

Surface Dressing proposed for 2017/18

Surface Dressing is the practice of applying a bitumen tack coat to the existing road surface and then rolling in stone chippings. Whilst this practice is not the most PR friendly, it is highly effective in preserving the integrity of the road surface. This year we are Surface Dressing 49 sites across South Somerset, 12 of which are substantial lengths of A and B roads.

The Surface Dressing within South Somerset is due to start during June. The 9 sites listed are in Area East.

Galhampton	A359 Cary Road	Cadbury Farm Park to Grove Cross	
Kingweston	B3153 Kingweston Road B3151 to Christians Cross		
Lovington	B3153 Castle Cary Road Boundary to Shuttle lights		
Marston Magna	B3148 Sherborne Road Railway bridge to County Boundary		
Mudford	A359 Marston Magna Road	Hinton Cross to brick bridge	
Mudford	A359 Mudford Hill Lyde Road to River bridge		
Penselwood	Newpark Rd / Bleak Street	County Boundary to Coombe Street	
	B3153 Kingweston Road / Snap	Bayford to Leigh Common	
Wincanton	Hill		

Yeovilton	Podimore Road	Podimore Roundabout to A303 Slip Road

Schemes proposed for 2017/2018

This year's structural maintenance budget is slightly lower than last year. The below table identifies significant schemes planned to be implemented in South Somerset and schemes proposed in Area East are highlighted;

Chard	A358 Furnham Road	Principal Resurfacing
Bruton	A359 Quaperlake Street	Principal Resurfacing
Yeovil	A30 Sherborne Road	Principal Resurfacing
Martock	B3165 North St to Pinnacle	Resurfacing
Somerton	Behind Berry	Resurfacing
llchester	B3151 Somerton Rd / Bondip Hill	Resurfacing
Wincanton	B3081 Old Hill	Resurfacing
Yeovil	Forest Hill	Resurfacing
Cudworth	Cudworth Street / Knights Lane	Resurfacing
West Crewkerne	Higher Farm Lane, Woolminstone	Resurfacing
West Crewkerne	Dunsham Lane	Resurfacing
Langport	Newton Rd / Somerton Rd	Footways
Broadway / Horton	St Peters Close	Footways
Martock	Stapleton Close	Footways
South Petherton	West End View / Court	Footways
Crewkerne	Southmead Crescent	Footways
Yeovil	Netherton Road	Footways
Yeovil	Sherborne Road	Footways
Yeovil	The Avenue / Crofton Rd	Footways
Yeovil	Gt Western Terrace	Footways
Tatworth	Station Road	Drainage
Fivehead	A378 Mile Hill	Drainage
North Cheriton	B3145 Cheriton Hill	Drainage
Ansford	Maggs Lane	Drainage
Barton St David	Main Street	Drainage
Corton Denham	Corton Denham Road / Ridge Lane	Drainage
Wincanton	B3081 Old Hill	Drainage
Alford	B3153 Cary Rd / Station Rd	Drainage
Chaffcombe	Kingston Well Lane	Drainage
Cudworth	Cudworth Street	Drainage
Yeovil	Sherborne Road	Drainage
Barwick	Two Tower Lane / Newton Rd	Earthworks
Penselwood	Combe Street – slip stabilisation	Earthworks
Bruton	Strutters Hill – embankment netting	Earthworks
Milborne Port	A30 (Crackmore) – embankment netting	Earthworks

Grass Cutting

Grass cutting is a difficult task to carry out to the satisfaction of all. The highway network exceeds 3500km in length; therefore the size of the task is significant. Verge cutting of main A and B roads started on the 8th May. This will be followed by the C and D roads as below table and then a further cut of A and B roads.

Road Classification	Dates
A and B roads (including visibility splays)	8 th May - Started
C and unclassified roads	Start is usually 4 weeks later than A and B roads
A and B roads (including visibility splays)	Mid to late August dependant on rate of growth
Environmentally protected sites	Usually at the end of the growing season

Term Maintenance Contract

Contract for the maintenance of Highways for Somerset County Council has been awarded to Skanska. This is for a period of 7 years from 1st April 2017. Contract can be extended a further 3 years subject to key performance indicators being achieved.