

County Highway Authority Report – Area North

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Purpose of the Report

The report is to inform members of the work carried out by the County Highway Authority in the last financial year in Area North and to provide information about the proposed works programme for the year 2015/2016.

Recommendation

That members note the report.

Capital funded Surface Dressing schemes 2015

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 53 sites across South Somerset, 13 of which are substantial lengths of A and B roads. The Surface Dressing within South Somerset has already commenced and is due completion by the end of June.

Curry Mallet	Top Road	A378 to district boundary
Norton sub Hamdon	Skinnners Lane	Ham Hill Road to Little Street
Curry Rivel	Wick moor/Wick Oath/Portfield	Duck Cottage to A378
Ash	Screech Witch Hill/Paynes Lane	B3165 Long Load Road to Thornhill Drove
Pitney	Leazemoor Lane	Culver Hill to Pitney Park
Long Sutton	Hermitage Rd	B3153 to A372
Long Sutton	Vedal Drove	A372 Langport Road to Ham Moor Lane
Pitney	Catscrow/Church Hill/Middlegate Rd	B3153 to Middlegate Farm
Long Sutton	Bineham Lane	Grove Lane to end
Seavington St Mary	Green Lane	Barrington Main to Hollow Road
Isle Brewers	Rue Lane/Copse Lane	North Bradon Lane to Bush Furlong Road
Long Sutton	Bineham Lane	Grove Lane to end
High Ham	Turnhill Road	Standhill Road to Beer Drove
South Petherton/Merriott	Yea Bridge Lane/South Harp/Bullbridge Lane	A303 to Church Street
High Ham	Stout Rd//Mortons Lane	Burrow Lane to Pool Alley
Tintinhull/Montacute	Montacute Road/Station Road/Lower Town	Head Street to Montacute Road

Capital funded Structural maintenance Schemes completed in 2014/15

Barrington	Whitefield Lane	Resurfacing
Somerton	Horsemill Lane	Resurfacing
Somerton	Kirkham Street	Resurfacing
Somerton	Catsgore A372	Resurfacing
Shepton Beauchamp	Church Street/North Street	Footway
Curry Mallet	Top Road	Earthworks
Ash	Milton Lane/Middleleaze Drove	Drainage
Barrington	Bonnings Lane/Denmans Lane	Drainage
Ilton	Cad Green	Drainage
Pitney	Church Hill	Drainage
Puckington	B3165	Drainage
Shepton Beauchamp	Shells Lane	Drainage
Seavingtons	School Lane	Drainage

Capital funded Structural maintenance Schemes proposed for 2015/2016

This year's structural maintenance budget remains similar to last year. The below table identifies significant schemes to be implemented in Area North.

Huish Episcopi	Picts Hill	Resurfacing
Lopen	Lopen Head - Snap Ant	Resurfacing
Somerton	Somertonfield Road	Resurfacing
Somerton	Walnut Drive	Footways
Tintinhull	St Margarets Road & Head Street	Footways
Curry Rivel	Parsonage Place	Drainage
Curry Rivel	St Andrews Close	Drainage
Fivehead	Ganges Hill	Drainage
Huish Episcopi	Meadow Close	Drainage
Kingsbury Episcopi	East Lambrook Road (upgrade outfall)	Drainage
Muchelney	Thorney Road	Drainage
Pitney	Stowey Road	Drainage
Shepton Beauchamp	Lambrook Road	Drainage
Long Sutton	Shute Lane	Earthworks

Capital funded major flood defence works

Aller	A372 Beer Door	Phase one 2014
Aller	A372 Beer Door	Phase two 2015
Muchlney	Law Lane	2014

Revenue funded 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 commenced 5th May which will be followed by the C and D roads as below table and then a further cut of the visibility splays on A and B roads. The second cut to the A

and B roads previously carried out by Somerset County Council has been removed on approval by The Council members.

Road Classification	Dates
A and B roads (including visibility splays)	5 May - 2 June
C and unclassified roads	3 June - 31 July
A and B visibility splays only	Mid to late August dependant on rate of growth
Environmentally protected sites	Usually at the end of the growing season

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Please note amended call centre contact number

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<http://www.somerset.gov.uk/roads-parking-and-transport/problems-on-the-road/>