

<b>Report To:</b>	<b>Environment &amp; Regeneration Committee</b>	<b>Date:</b>	<b>5 March 2020</b>
<b>Report By:</b>	<b>Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration &amp; Resources</b>	<b>Report No:</b>	<b>ERC/RT/GMcF/18.613</b>
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<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Roads &amp; Transportation – Proposed RAMP/Capital Programme for 2020/21</b>		

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### **1.0 PURPOSE**

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek Committee approval in relation to a proposed programme of projects to be undertaken in 2020/21 using RAMP/Capital Funding and a grant offer of funding by the Scottish Government for Cycling, Walking and Safer Streets projects.

### **2.0 SUMMARY**

- 2.1 The second year of the approved 5 year Roads Asset Management Strategy for 2018/23 will be complete at the end of March 2020. This report is to advise the Committee of the proposed RAMP/Capital expenditure and core projects for 2020/21 (excluding CWSS Grant Funding) amounting to a value of £3.017m.
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### **3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 3.1 That the Committee approves the list detailed below for the 2020/21 RAMP/Capital and CWSS grant aided roads related projects.
- 3.2 That the Committee grants delegated authority to the Head of Service – Roads & Transportation to achieve full spend of the RAMP/Capital budget through the substitution of projects from a reserve list when necessary.

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**Head of Service – Roads & Transportation**

## 4.0 BACKGROUND

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## 5.0 PROPOSALS – 2020/21 PROGRAMME

- 5.1 The proposed projects, where appropriate, apply only to carriageways, footways, lighting and bridges etc. on public roads for which Roads & Transportation has specific responsibilities in terms of the Roads (Scotland) Act 1984.
- 5.2 The costs of the projects as specified have been compiled on the basis of assessed unit costs and not on priced bill of quantities which will be prepared when the programme has been approved. Should the cost of any individual project exceed the preliminary estimate, appropriate variances will be applied to the remaining programme.
- 5.3 Delivery of the 2020/21 programme will depend on a number of factors including changing priorities due to ongoing changes within the condition of the network, weather, market prices and the work programmes of public utility companies who also require access to the road network. In view of this, it is proposed that delegated authority be given to the Head of Service – Roads & Transportation to achieve full spend of the capital budget through the substitution of projects from a reserve list when necessary. Reserve carriageway, footway and structures projects are in the relevant section of this report.
- 5.4 A CWSS budget has been established by the Scottish Ministers, with a view to giving greater prominence to cycling, walking and safer streets, to assist Local Authorities to achieve the aims of their Local Transport Strategy.
- 5.5 The programme of expenditure for the £3.124m funding is as detailed in the table below.

<i>Outline Programme</i>	<i>2020/21 (£000s)</i>
<i>RAMP</i>	
Carriageways (refer 6.0)	1,400
Footways (refer 7.0)	302
Structures (refer 9.0)	300
Lighting (refer 8.0)	520
Other Assets (refer 10.0) (drainage, signs & road markings, vehicle restraint systems, traffic measures)	125
Fees & Staffing	370
<i>Roads Core Funding</i>	
Cycling Walking & Safer Streets (refer 11.0)	107
Total	3,124

## 6.0 RAMP CARRIAGEWAY PROGRAMME

6.1 The priority investment programme for carriageways has been determined through analysis of available information comprising: road hierarchy, results from the Scottish Road Maintenance Condition Survey (SRMCS), local route knowledge with regard to defective lengths of carriageway, evidence of defects, number of complaints, accidents statistics, liability claims, and public, Councillor, and other requests. Particular emphasis is given to the road hierarchy, SRMCS and local route knowledge of Council Officers. Future determination is based on the Roads Asset Management Policy. Schemes are listed alphabetically by town.

### i. Named Carriageway Resurfacing/ Reconstruction Schemes (£1,100k).

<i>Road</i>	<i>Class</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>Extent</i>
Cloch Road	A	Gourock	Between Farm Road & North Lodge
A770 Brougham Street	A	Greenock	Grey Place to approx 20m east of bridge.
Ardgowan Street (Phase 1)	U	Greenock	Nelson Street to Robertson Street
Ardmore Road	U	Greenock	Kinross Ave to Selkirk Road
Auchmead Road	U	Greenock	Norfolk Road to Cumberland Road
Belville Street	C	Greenock	St Lawrence Street to Bellville Avenue
Braeside Road	U	Greenock	Burns Road to Davaar Road
Burns Road	U	Greenock	Banff Road to Devon Road
Customhouse Way	U	Greenock	Greenock Ocean Terminal Building – Relocation of Access to Car Park
Dellingburn Street and Baker Street	B	Greenock	Dellingburn Street - From Just South of the Morrison's Roundabout to Regent Street/Baker Street Junction (Both Carriageways) Baker Street - From Dellingburn Street/Regent Street Junction to Scout Hall
East Blackhall Street	U	Greenock	Carnock Street to End
Finneston Street	U	Greenock	Full Length
Maple Road	U	Greenock	Woodstock Road to Pennyfern Road
Mars Road	U	Greenock	Full Length
Old Largs Road	C	Greenock	Darndaff to Scottish Water Private Road
Tobago Street	U	Greenock	Sir Michael Street to King Street
Wellington Street	U	Greenock	Captain Street to Trafalgar Street
Finlaystone Road	C	Kilmacolm	Yetts Avenue to Lepperstone Road
Milton Road	B	Kilmacolm	Lochwinnoch Road Eastwards for 850m to Lay-by

ii. Carriageway Large Patching - Various Locations (£300k).

iii. Named Carriageway Resurfacing/ Reconstruction Schemes (Reserve).

<i>Road</i>	<i>Class</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>Extent</i>
Faulds Park Road	U	Gourock	Cloch Road to Amazon Access
John Street	U	Gourock	Full Length
Ann Street	U	Greenock	Wellington Street to Drumfrochar Road
Ardgowan Street (Phase 2)	U	Greenock	Robertson Street to Forsyth Street
Cartsburn Street	U	Greenock	Stanners Lane to Main Street
Newark Street	C	Greenock	Octavia Terrace to Wood Street
Smillie Street	U	Greenock	Irwin Street to Cobham Street
Glasgow Road	U	Port Glasgow	Fyfe Park Road to Heggies Avenue

## 7.0 RAMP FOOTWAY PROGRAMME

7.1 The priority investment programme for footways/footpaths has been determined through analysis of available information comprising: route classification (amenity, use), local route knowledge with regard to defective lengths of footway/footpath, evidence of defects, number of complaints, accidents statistics, liability claims, and public, Councillor, and other requests. Particular emphasis is given to the route classification, and local route knowledge of Council Technical staff. Future determination is based on the Roads Asset Management Policy. Schemes are listed alphabetically by town.

i. Named Footway/ Footpath Resurfacing/ Reconstruction Schemes (£272k)

<i>Road</i>	<i>Class</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>Extent (Both Sides of Road Unless Otherwise Noted)</i>
Cloch Road	A	Gourock	Dunvegan Avenue to Faulds Park (North Side)
Staffa Street	U	Gourock	Full Length (North Side)
Tantallon Avenue	U	Gourock	Dunvegan Avenue to Urquhart Drive
Tower Drive	U	Gourock	Fronting No 58 to No 70 (at Shops)
Ardgowan Street	U	Greenock	Kelly Street to Nelson Street (North Side)
Brisbane Street	U	Greenock	Fox Street to Margaret Street (South Side)
Luss Avenue	U	Greenock	Selected Sections
Davaar Road	U	Greenock	Full Length
Garvie Avenue	U	Greenock	Reservoir Road to Larkfield Road
Regent Street	C	Greenock	Lynedoch St to Roxburgh Street (South Side)
Gryffe Road	U	Kilmacolm	Houston Road to Bridge of Weir Road; Selected Sections
Lochwinnoch Road	B	Kilmacolm	Knockbuckle Road to Castlehill Road
Alderbrae Road	U	Port Glasgow	Alderwood Crescent to No 24 (North Side)
East Woodside Avenue	U	Port Glasgow	Mossyde Avenue to Turning Point (North Side)
Southfield Avenue	U	Port Glasgow	Burnside Avenue to No 46 (North Side)

ii. Footway/Footpath Large Patching at Various Locations (£30k)

iii. Named Footway/ Footpath Resurfacing/ Reconstruction Schemes (Reserve)

<i>Road</i>	<i>Class</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>Extent (Both Sides of Road Unless Otherwise Noted)</i>
Shore Street	A	Gourock	Selected Lengths (West Side)
Fox Street	U	Greenock	Ardgowan Street to Finnart Street (East Side)
Glen Street	U	Greenock	Fox Street to Johnston Street
Castle Road	U	Greenock	Full Length
Rankin Street	U	Greenock	Full Length (North Side)
Park Road	U	Kilmacolm	Knockbuckle Road to Castlehill Road

## 8.0 RAMP LIGHTING PROGRAMME

8.1 The delivery of the RAMP street lighting programme continues on from the works carried out in previous years, and concerns column replacement on a priority basis. The proposed priority investment is noted in the table below.

i. Column Replacement (£520k)

<i>Road</i>	<i>Class</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>Project Extent</i>
Column Replacement	All	Gourock Greenock Inverkip Kilmacolm Port Glasgow Wemyss Bay	Completion of Contract Site works to Replace Life Expired Columns (750 number approx); Replacement of Ad-hoc Damaged Columns via Lighting Maintenance Contract

## 9.0 RAMP STRUCTURES PROGRAMME

9.1 The proposed programme of works for structures addresses the requirement to replace and/or replenish specific structural elements which in general have become dilapidated due to their age or which have been rendered unfit for purpose due to changes in legislation. The proposed priority investment is noted in the table below. Schemes are listed alphabetically by town.

i. Structures Schemes (£300k)

<i>Road/ Bridge</i>	<i>Class</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>Project Extent</i>
Lynedoch Street	U	Greenock	Design and Construction of Replacement Culvert on the Eastern Line of Falls
Glenmill Bridge	U	Kilmacolm	Bridge Widening
Minor Bridge Repairs	All	Various	Inspection, Design and Construction of Repair Locations

ii. Structures Schemes (Reserve)

<i>Road/ Bridge</i>	<i>Class</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>Project Extent</i>
Lochwinnoch Road Footbridge	B	Kilmacolm	Resurfacing of Footbridge over N75 Cycletrack
Craigbet Avenue Bridge	U	Quarriers	Parapet Replacement

## 10.0 RAMP OTHER ASSETS PROGRAMME

10.1 The proposed programme of works for other assets, which includes drainage, signs & road markings and vehicle barriers, addresses the requirement to replace and/or replenish specific asset elements which in general have become dilapidated due to their age or which have been rendered unfit for purpose due to changes in legislation. Traffic Measures allows for traffic improvements such as traffic calming measures. The proposed priority investment is noted in the table below. Schemes are listed alphabetically by town.

### i. Other Asset Schemes (£125k)

<i>Road/ Asset</i>	<i>Class</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>Project Extent</i>
Kilmacolm Car Park	-	Kilmacolm	Design of Car Park
Drainage	All	Various	Various improvements
Minor Safety Measures	All	Various	Various improvements
Signs & Road Markings	All	Various	Various improvements
Traffic Calming Priority List	All	Various	Lyle Road Traffic Calming
Vehicle Restraint Systems	All	Various	Various improvements

## 11.0 ROADS CORE FUNDING – CYCLING, WALKING & SAFER STREETS

11.1 The proposed programme of works for Cycling, Walking and Safer Streets (CWSS) meets the requirements of the government funding allocation and is prioritised to expand the off-road cycling asset within Inverclyde, improve the walking journey to school and enhance pedestrian safety on the local road network in keeping with national guidance. The proposed priority investment is noted in the table below. Schemes are listed alphabetically by town.

### i. CWSS Schemes (£107k)

<i>Road</i>	<i>Class</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>Project Extent</i>
N75 Cycletrack	-	Greenock Port Glasgow Kilmacolm	Upgrade Cycletrack from Lady Octavia Park to Kilmacolm
N75 Cycletrack	-	Greenock	Improve Links from N75 to Greenock Town Centre
Sinclair Street	U	Greenock	Resurfacing of Road and Drainage Improvements Under the Sinclair Street Rail Bridge
Dropped Kerbs	All	Various	Improvements to Pedestrian Accessibility
School Working Group Requests	All	Various	Minor Safety Measures Around Schools

## 12.0 PARTICAPTORY BUDGETING

12.1 The Committee is asked to note that consideration is being given to including aspects of the roads asset programme within the participatory budgeting process. This is with a view to seeking community involvement in the setting of priorities (with the proviso that all expenditure must be in line with best value and consistent with asset improvement). Further reports will be brought to the Committee on this as participatory budgeting is progressed.

## 13.0 IMPLICATIONS

### Finance

#### 13.1 One-off costs:

Cost Centre	Budget Heading	Budget Years	Proposed spend this report (£000s)	Virement from	Other comments
Capital	RAMP	2020/21	3,017		CWSS Scottish Government Grant
Capital	Roads Core	2020/21	107		
			3,124 Total		

#### 13.2 Annually recurring costs:

Cost Centre	Budget Heading	Budget Years	Proposed spend this report (£000s)	Virement from	Other comments
N/A					

### Legal

13.3 There are no legal implications arising from this report.

### Human Resources

13.4 There are no specific HR implications arising from this report.

### Equalities

#### 13.5

(a) Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out?

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YES

NO – This report does not introduce a new policy, function or strategy or recommend a substantive change to an existing policy, function or strategy. Therefore, no Equality Impact Assessment is required

(b) Fairer Scotland Duty

If this report affects or proposes any major strategic decision:-

Has there been active consideration of how this report's recommendations reduce inequalities of outcome?

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YES – A written statement showing how this report's recommendations reduce inequalities of outcome caused by socio-economic disadvantage has been completed.

NO

(c) Data Protection

Has a Data Protection Impact Assessment been carried out?

x

YES – This report involves data processing which may result in a high risk to the rights and freedoms of individuals.

NO

**Repopulation**

13.6 The quality of the roads network is an influencing factor in the perception which people have of the area and therefore it is important that the Council optimises its limited spend on roads maintenance and as such the work generated by this report will have a positive benefit to the Council's Repopulation Strategy.

**14.0 CONSULTATIONS**

14.1 The Chief Financial Officer, Head of Legal & Property Services, and the Corporate Procurement Manager have been consulted on the contents of this report.

**15.0 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS**

15.1 None.