
Report To: Safe, Sustainable Communities Committee **Date: 10 March 2009**

**Report By: Corporate Director Environment and
Community Protection**

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**Subject: Environmental Services (Roads) – Grant Aided Roads Related Projects
(2009/10)**

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 2009/10 using grant offers of funding by
1. The Scottish Executive for Cycling, Walking and Safer Street Projects (CWSS).
 2. Strathclyde Partnership for Transport (SPT)

2.0 SUMMARY

- 2.1 The Cycling, Walking and Safer Street Projects (CWSS) for Environmental Services (Roads) are as detailed below and are valued at £146,000.

The Strathclyde Partnership for Transport (SPT) projects for Environmental Services (Roads) are as detailed below and are valued at £190,000.

- 2.2 Payment of the funding will be by grant made in arrears on the basis of evidenced expenditure.
- 2.3 The programme does not include roads infrastructure projects associated with the School Re-provisioning Programme which will be funded through the Education and Social Care budget.

3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 That the Committee approves the list detailed below in 5.1 for the 2009/10 Grant Aided Roads Related Projects.
- 3.2 That the Committee note the SPT approved project list detailed below in 5.2 for 2009/10
- 3.2 That the Committee remits to the Head of Environmental Services to proceed to tender (or in terms of a Best Value regime to issue to the Environmental Services (Roads) Trading Operation) for the Projects listed below and to grant approval to the acceptance of such tenders in terms of the Council's Financial Regulations and Standing Orders Relating to Contracts.
- 3.3 That the Committee remits to the Head of Environmental Services to apply appropriate variances as specified in 4.3 below.

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4.0 BACKGROUND

4.1 A CWSS fund 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. Inverclyde Council has been awarded £146,000 from this fund for financial year 2009/10.

4.2 The proposed programme:

- (ia) totals (CWSS) £146,000;
- (ib) totals (SPT) £190,000;

- (ii) does not include the proposed programme of projects for 2010/11 and subsequent years – proposed programmes for these years will be submitted to Committee in due course.

- (iii) does not include any allocation for road infrastructure adjustments associated with the Schools Re-provisioning Programme

4.3 The costs of the Projects detailed below are exclusive of fees and 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.

5.0 PROPOSED PROJECTS

5.1 CWSS Projects for 2009/10

1. Dropped Kerbs

Estimated Cost of Project **£40,000**

2. Access to Schools

Estimated Cost of Project **£26,000**

3. Cycling Improvements to the N75

Estimated Cost of Project **£30,000**

4. Vehicle Activated Signs

Estimated Cost of Project **£20,000**

5. Establishment of Discontinuous Footways

Estimated Cost of Project **£30,000**

Total Estimated Costs of the Projects **£146,000**

5.2 SPT projects for 2009/10

1. Develop Quality Bus Corridor Brougham Street to Bullring Roundabout

Estimated Cost of Project **£50,000**

2. Develop Quality Bus Corridor A770 Gourock to Cloch Caravan Park

Estimated Cost of Project **£130,000**

3. Design Quality Bus Corridor A78 South St. Roundabout to Inverclyde Academy

Estimated Cost of Design **£10,000**

Total Estimated Costs of Projects **£190,000**

6.0 IMPLICATIONS

6.1 It is proposed that any additional costs associated with the programme of projects will be contained within the Environmental Services (Roads) budget allocation.

Education: Funding for roads infrastructure associated with the Schools Re-provisioning Programme will be funded from the Education and Social Care budget.

7.0 CONSULTATION

7.1 Finance Services have been consulted on this report.

7.2 Legal Services have been consulted on this report.

7.3 The Head of Safer Communities has been consulted on this report