



# EXECUTIVE MEMBER DECISION

**REPORT OF:** Executive Member for Regeneration

**LEAD OFFICERS:** Director of Environment and Operations

**DATE:** 23/10/2018

**PORTFOLIO/S AFFECTED:** Regeneration

**WARD/S AFFECTED:** All

**SUBJECT:** Resurfacing Procedure

## 1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This procedure identifies and documents best practice techniques to ensure that carriageway resurfacing carried out in the Borough is to the highest standards.

## 2. RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Executive Member:

1. Approves the Resurfacing Procedure and authorises it's review within two years.
2. Authorises publication of this procedure on the Council's website.

## 3. BACKGROUND

The attached Resurfacing Procedure document identifies best practice techniques to be adopted by the council to ensure that the greatest value for money is achieved when carriageway resurfacing is undertaken. The procedure includes sections on:

- Lifecycle planning,
- Site Investigation,
- Estimating,
- Resurfacing options,
- Guidance on specifications,
- Other surfacing techniques,
- Pavement materials.

The procedure draws together advice from the Highways Maintenance Efficiency Programme, the UK Roads Liaison Group, Highways England and Hampshire County Council.

## 4. KEY ISSUES & RISKS

The procedure promotes the continued use of lifecycle planning techniques to:

- Identify long term investment for resurfacing,
- Predict the future performance of elements of the network,
- Determine the level of investment required to achieve performance targets,
- Determine the condition achieved for different funding scenarios,
- Support decision making and demonstrate the effects of funding scenarios,
- Minimise maintenance costs over the lifecycle, whilst maintaining the required condition.

It also advocates the continued use of the lifecycle planning toolkit provided by the Highways Maintenance Efficiency Programme, which has demonstrated how various asset groups perform over periods of 10 to 20 years, under different funding scenarios and provides advice on ascertaining and catering for a wide range of site conditions and design issues.

Estimating the anticipated costs of schemes is one of the key topics of the procedure and is covered in some depth. The factors affecting costs are described as well as the management of the inherent risks; stress is placed on revising and updating estimated costs in the light of new information at significant points in the programme to ensure that budgets can be adequately monitored throughout the financial year.

Options available to engineers specifying resurfacing materials and techniques are described for a range of site conditions and traffic volumes.

## **5. POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

This procedure compliments the asset management policy and strategy.

## **6. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

This procedure embodies best practice, as such it ensures the most efficient use of resurfacing budgets.

## **7. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

The Council has a duty under section 41 of the Highways Act 1980 to maintain the public highway network in a condition that is safe for users. This includes all roads, footways, footpaths and verges for which the highway authority has responsibility. The Act does not define what comprises maintenance nor does it set specific or minimum standards. Risk based asset management is considered good practice by the UK Roads Liaison Group and HMEP and is recommended by DfT.

## **8. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

No additional internal resources are required to comply with this procedure.

## **9. EQUALITY AND HEALTH IMPLICATIONS**

**Please select one of the options below. Where appropriate please include the hyperlink to the EIA.**

Option 1  Equality Impact Assessment (EIA) not required – the EIA checklist has been completed.

Option 2  In determining this matter the Executive Member needs to consider the EIA associated with this item in advance of making the decision. (*insert EIA link here*)

Option 3  In determining this matter the Executive Board Members need to consider the EIA associated with this item in advance of making the decision. (*insert EIA attachment*)

## **10. CONSULTATIONS**

Consultations have taken place with the Director of Environment & Operations, the Executive Member for Regeneration and with Audit and Assurance.

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**11. STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE**

The recommendations are made further to advice from the Monitoring Officer and the Section 151 Officer has confirmed that they do not incur unlawful expenditure. They are also compliant with equality legislation and an equality analysis and impact assessment has been considered. The recommendations reflect the core principles of good governance set out in the Council's Code of Corporate Governance.

**12. DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

All Declarations of Interest of any Executive Member consulted and note of any dispensation granted by the Chief Executive will be recorded and published if applicable.

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<b>BACKGROUND PAPER:</b>	Resurfacing Procedure.
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