

Agenda Item	6
Report No	BI/003/21

## HIGHLAND COUNCIL

**Committee:** Black Isle Committee

**Date:** 5 August 2021

**Report Title:** Area Capital Programme 2021 – 2022 Progress Report and Approval of Ward Discretionary and Additional Schemes

**Report By:** Executive Chief Officer Infrastructure, Environment and Economy

### 1. Purpose/Executive Summary

1.1 This report details the progress for the 2021/22 Roads Maintenance Programme for Black Isle and seeks approval for schemes funded under the Ward Discretionary Budget.

### 2. Recommendations

2.1 Members are asked to:-

- i. Note the progress on the 2021/22 Road Maintenance Programme for the Black Isle Area;
- ii. Approve the proposed 2021/22 Roads Maintenance Programme schemes funded by the Ward Discretionary Budget; and
- iii. Approve additional capital schemes funded from Capital Budget.

### 3. Implications

3.1 **Resource** – All work will be managed within budget allocations with the Council delivering its legal responsibilities.

3.2 **Legal** – The combined programme for Structural Resurfacing and Structural Integrity Improvements enables the Council to meet its duty under the Roads (Scotland) Act 1984 within the Local Committee area.

3.3 **Community (Equality, Poverty and Rural)** – This report recognises that the road network in Black Isle, Dingwall and Seaforth Area serves both strategic traffic and local access to remote communities. Road improvement schemes are selected on both the strategic and local importance and the extent and severity of defects.

3.4 **Climate Change / Carbon Clever** – This report has no impact on climate change or carbon clever considerations.

3.5 **Risk** – There are no risks associated with this report.

3.6 **Gaelic** – This report has no impact on Gaelic considerations.

#### 4. **Background**

4.1 This report reports on the progress made in delivering the road maintenance programme for 2021/22.

4.2 Members' approval is sought for the 2021/22 road maintenance programme schemes funded by the Ward Discretionary Budget.

4.3 Members' approval is sought for additional capital schemes funded from the 2021/22 capital budget.

#### 5. **Budget Allocation**

5.1 The local allocations capital budget for 2021/22 for the former Ross and Cromarty Area consists of:-

<b>Budget</b>	<b>Overlay/Inlay</b>	<b>Surface Dressing</b>	<b>Total</b>
Baseline capital budget	£662,899	£412,383	£4,785,282
£10m Allocation	£461,891	£282,777	£744,668
Ward Allocation			£500,000

5.2 The Ross and Cromarty budget has not been disaggregated to Easter Ross Area; Black Isle, Dingwall and Seaforth Area; and Wester Ross Strathpeffer and Lochalsh Area.

As Black Isle Area has a total of 14% of the road length in the former Ross and Cromarty area, this capital programme is based on 14% of the 2021/22 Ross and Cromarty Area Capital budget. This is set out below:-

<b>Operation</b>	<b>RandC Budget</b>	<b>Black Isle Budget</b>
Overlay/inlay	£1,877,468	£262,845
Surface dressing	£695,160	£97,322
Ward Allocation	£500,000	£100,00

The Ward Allocation budget is set to £100,000 per ward. Only road or road infrastructure schemes are eligible. Schemes are at Members' discretion.

#### 6. **Ward Discretionary Funded Schemes**

6.1 Schemes selected for funding by Members' £100,000 Ward Discretionary Budget are as follows:-

- Avoch High Street;
- Fortrose High Street; and
- Ness Road, Rosemarkie

## 7. Progress on Delivering 2021/22 Area Roads Capital Programme

7.1 Progress on delivering the capital programme is set out in **Appendix A**.

7.2 Due to difficulties experienced by other operational areas in securing contractors and resources to re-surface roads, permission was granted by the Head of Roads and Transport to accelerate the programme for the Black Isle, if it is possible to do so. Details of the additional capital works which could be accelerated are detailed in **Appendix A** for approval.

Completion of these additional works may be restricted by contractor availability and DLO resources.

7.3 U2711 Munro Nurseries Bogallan - Allanglach has been deferred and is to be included on the Minor Road Improvements Capital Budget.

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**Appendix A**

**Area Capital Programme 2021 – 2022 Progress Report and Approval of Ward Discretionary and Additional Schemes**

<b>Funding</b>	<b>Committee Approval</b>	<b>Road No./ Section No.</b>	<b>Works instruction</b>				<b>Status</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Additional Scheme	To be approved	U2670 – Sunnylea	Overlay	-	-	-	100%	
Additional Scheme	To be approved	Ord Hill	Overlay	Drainage	-	-	100%	
Additional Scheme	To be approved	U2677-St Martins	Overlay	-	-	-	100%	
Additional Scheme	To be approved	U2596-Drumsmittal	Overlay	-	-	-	100%	
Capital Allocation	Approved	B9163- Brae Findon-Shoreton Junction	Surface dress patching	Overlay	Surface Dress	Road Markings	95%	Road Markings Outstanding
Capital Allocation	Approved	B9163 - Urquhart Cemetery- A9(T)	Surface dress patching	Overlay	Surface Dress	-	100%	Completed
Ward Discretionary	To be approved	A832- Avoch High Street	Inlay	-	-	Road Markings	100%	Completed Pat Munro Ltd
Ward Discretionary	To be approved	A832 Fortrose High Street	Inlay	-	-	Road Markings	45%	Progressing Pat Munro Ltd
Ward Discretionary	To be approved	C1217 Ness Road	Inlay	-	-	Road Markings	30%	Emergency surfacing completed by DLO. Pat Munro Ltd to inlay
Additional Scheme	To be approved	U2481 Braehead	Patching	Drainage	Road Marking	-	0%	Time Sensitive due to School- Not Started
Additional Scheme	To be approved	C1035 Killen	Overlay			-	0%	Not Started
Additional Scheme	To be approved	B9163-Balblair	Overlay	Drainage	Road Marking	-	0%	Not Started