

Appendix C

Sheffield 20mph Speed Limit Strategy - Proposed programme for 2014/15 and 2015/16

The intention is to co-ordinate the delivery of the majority of 20mph schemes with the Streets Ahead maintenance programme, whilst also addressing the areas with the very worst accident records.

There are currently 110 potential 20mph areas in Sheffield. Of the twelve areas with the worst accident records, three - Parson Cross West, Woodthorpe and Steel Bank / Crookesmoor - will be made subject to a 20mph limit this year. It is proposed to introduce the limit in the other nine areas by March 2016.

This would involve revisiting some areas (London Road, Hackenthorpe, Gleadless Valley) where Streets Ahead work has been completed. Other areas (Heeley, Shirebrook, Hillsborough) would receive a 20mph limit ahead of the maintenance programme.

The remaining three areas (Woodhouse, Meadowhead/Greenhill/Beauchief and Firth Park) would become 20mph areas in tandem with the core programme together with another eight high-ranking areas.

The projected cost for the 17 schemes listed is in the order of £430k in 2014/15 and £500k in 2015/16. LTP funding allocations have been recommended in the draft transport capital programme proposal at December's Cabinet Member for Highways decision meeting.

Notes

The sizes of the areas vary greatly. There will generally be more accidents in large areas than small areas. Without an analysis of the number of accidents per mile of road comparisons of accident data between areas can only give a general indication of the relative accident record.

The areas included in the programme are mostly bigger, and therefore more expensive, than those tackled so far.

At the current rate it will take perhaps ten years to complete the 20mph Strategy. Many of the areas with very low rankings are smaller, so it may be possible to deliver a greater number of schemes in future years.

The delivery rate is governed in part by the availability of staff resources: 20mph schemes could be introduced more quickly given additional resources for consultation, publicity and legal processes. Additional funding streams are being investigated, for example via Public Health as has been used in Manchester and Liverpool.

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