

READING BOROUGH COUNCIL

REPORT BY DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENT AND NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES

TO:	TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT SUB-COMMITTEE		
DATE:	25 TH JUNE 2014	AGENDA ITEM:	14
TITLE:	HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE UPDATE		
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1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1 To note the current position regarding additional pothole repairs.

2. RECOMMENDED ACTION

- 2.1 That the Sub-Committee notes the current position regarding additional pothole repairs.
- 2.2 That a further progress report be presented to the next meeting of the Sub-Committee.

3. POLICY CONTEXT

- 3.1 To secure the most effective use of resources in the delivery of high quality, best value public service.
- 3.2 To make travel more secure, safe and comfortable for all users of the public highway.

4. BACKGROUND

- 4.1 At its meeting in March 2014 the Sub-Committee noted a report on the current position regarding additional pothole repairs and that a further report be presented to this meeting.

4.2 The additional pothole repair plan commenced on 29th July 2013 on a road by road basis as outlined in the previous report and detailed below:

Priority 1 - A class roads

Priority 2 - B class roads

Priority 3 - C class roads

Priority 4 - Bus Routes not on the A, B or C class roads

Priority 5 - Premier/National Cycle Routes not on the A, B or C class roads

Priority 6 - On road cycle routes not on the A, B or C class roads

4.3 The roads included in each category are detailed in Appendix 1.

4.4 At the time of preparing this report 5th June 2014 the position was as follows:

Inspection of the Priority 1 to 6 roads has been completed. However where roads listed in Appendix 1 receive their scheduled safety inspection any further potholes meeting the criteria for repair under this improvement plan will be recorded and repaired. The table below details the number of potholes identified and repaired in each category during the period 29th July 2013 to 5th June 2014.

PRIORITY	POTHOLES IDENTIFIED	POTHOLES REPAIRED
Priority 1	260	260
Priority 2	15	12
Priority 3	742	721
Priority 4	155	147
Priority 5	217	215
Priority 6	159	159

4.5 There will be a verbal update on the position up until 24th June 2014 at the meeting.

4.6 It is recommended that the Sub-Committee note the current position and that a further progress report will be presented to the September meeting of the Sub-Committee.

5. CONTRIBUTION TO STRATEGIC AIMS

5.1 To promote equality, social inclusion and a safe and healthy environment for all.

6. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND INFORMATION

6.1 Defects reported by members of public on these routes will be considered for appropriate action.

7. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

7.1 None arising from this report.

8. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

8.1 None arising from this report.

9. BACKGROUND PAPERS

9.1 LTP document.

9.2 Correspondence from the Department for Transport.

9.3 Traffic Management Advisory Panel reports March 2012, January and March 2013.

9.4 Policy Committee report - 10th June 2013.

9.5 Traffic Management Sub-Committee reports 13th June, 12th September, 5th November 2013, 16th January and 13th March 2014.