

ENVIRONMENT

Appendix B

COMMITTEE - TUESDAY, 10 JULY 2001

STATUS REPORT ON HIGHWAY CONDITIONS

EXECUTIVE MEMBER PROPOSAL

1. That the Select Committee support emergency action to address the financial consequences of dealing with the aftermath of the recent adverse weather on the highway;
2. That the County Council should make strenuous representations to the Government Office for the East of England in order to secure a significant share of the Supplementary Credit Approvals being made available nationally to ameliorate the impact of flood damage to the Highway network;
3. That the proposal to delay £2.5m of programmed schemes from the LTP sustainable projects programme 2001/02 and to defer £0.3m of advanced design should be supported in order to fund emergency action to address the unprecedented damage to the highway;
4. That the Director should keep under active review the programming of schemes to be deferred and allocates revised start dates as soon as practical over the programme period 2001 / 2 / 03, depending upon the extent of Supplementary Credit Approvals received;
5. That the Director should keep the Chairman, Vice Chairman, Lib-Dem Spokesperson and local members informed of any changed scheme programmes, and
6. That the County Council's need for extraordinary action should be reported in the LTP Annual Progress Report and clearly communicated to the Government Office for the East of England, District Council's, other key interested parties and the public affected by any scheme deferrals.
7. That the possibility of making additional funding available to address the cost of refurbishment work to restore the condition of damaged roads experiencing accelerated deterioration due to the unprecedented weather conditions, and compensate for delays in the implementation of schemes should be explored as part of the County Funded Capital Programme for 2002 / 03 and beyond.