

10. SAFETY

The County Council has a statutory duty to carry out a programme of measures to meet the new Government targets for road collision and casualty reductions. This is done through a variety of programmes, as detailed below.

What was delivered in 2000/01?

Scheme	Status
Local safety schemes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 12 Single sites - 2 Killed or seriously injured (KSI) sites - 13 Route studies (including 1 speed site) - 19 Mass action programme sites - 8 carry over schemes - 2 Area Action sites 	Schemes Implemented Schemes Implemented Studies completed Schemes Implemented Schemes Implemented Schemes implemented
Carry overs from previous financial year	Schemes Implemented
Investigations by consultants (Mouchel TSC)	Implemented
Education, Training and Publicity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pre-school (125 parent meetings) - Newsletters (2) - Primary Schools (newsletters, CD roms, curriculum & classroom support on road safety) - Crucial Crew/Junior citizen projects (3232 primary children involved) - Cycle Training Courses (6166 primary children) - Pedestrian Skills Training Courses (4 primary schools) - Safer Routes to School support (40 schools, primary & secondary) - 28 Walking Bus routes - Road safety in secondary school curriculum (Theatre in Education, The Buzz, Megadrive, driver education) 	All parents given resources Sent to all pre-schools All schools contacted 3 times a year. Projects completed. 181 schools involved, 260 volunteer instructors Courses being developed Developing school travel plans Now operating All schools contacted 3 times a year
School Crossing Patrols (149 permanent patrols, 53 relief patrols, 41 vacancies)	Rolling recruitment campaign
Driver Education, Training & Rectification Courses <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - National Driver Improvement Scheme (39 courses, 570 drivers attending) - Minibus driver assessments (958 assessments carried out by 31 assessors) - Advanced Motorcycle Courses (48 riders attended) 	Ongoing courses 4929 certified drivers in Hertfordshire Run by HCC Road Safety Unit & Police

Financial details for the above schemes can be found in the Finance Forms in the technical document accompanying this report.

New Links and Initiatives.

- Educational messages have been linked to engineering measures e.g. 'Make the Commitment' campaign has been linked to speed reducing measures in residential areas.
- Safer Routes to Schools programmes

The Programme for 2001/02

Scheme	£'000s
Local safety schemes	
- 29 Single sites	750
- 35 Killed or seriously injured (KSI) sites	500
- 15 Route studies	910
- 51 Mass action programme sites	100
- Speed sites programme (speed cameras)	175
- Child safety programme	500
Carry overs from previous financial year	220
Investigations by consultants (Mouchel TSC)	856
Education, Training and Publicity	49
- 3 newsletters to pre-schools	
- Road safety education in the curriculum (primary and secondary schools)	
- Cycle training courses (primary schools)	
- Pedestrian skills training courses (primary schools)	
- Safer Routes to Schools support (primary schools)	
- Walking Bus routes (primary schools)	
- Publicity and Communication project programme	
School Crossing Patrols	667
Driver Education, Training and Rectification Courses	11
- National Driver Improvement Scheme	
- Minibus driver assessments	
- Advanced Motorcycle courses	
TOTAL	4738

Changes to the published programme

- The ranking system for hazardous sites has been modified to address the new government targets, and a new criterion has been introduced to address these targets.
- Watford has been targeted for action under the Area Action Programme as it has been identified as having the highest density of accidents in the County, and has resulted in the development of many route studies.

Funding Sources

In addition to the £1.15 million of LTP funding for 2000/01 there has also been £1.231 million of revenue money available for spending on the Accident Reduction programme. Finance for 2001/02 is made up from £2.23 million of LTP capital funding and £1.281 million of revenue money.

Education, Training and Publicity, School Crossing Patrols and Driver Education, Training and Rectification are funded entirely from County Council revenue money.