

Individual Decision

Title of Report:	Local Road Safety Strategy		
Report to be considered by:	Councillor Sally Hannon	on:	14 October 2004
Forward Plan Ref:	ID0813		

Purpose of Report: To report to members the Local Road Safety Strategy

Recommended Action: That the document be approved

Reason for decision to be taken: To enable the Local Road Safety Strategy to be implemented

List of other options considered: The production of a Local Road Safety Strategy is a statutory requirement.

Key background documentation:

- 'Tomorrow's Roads: Safer for Everyone'- March 2000 (HMSO)
- West Berkshire Local Transport Plan 2000/01 – 2005/06

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Supporting Information

1. Background

- 1.1 Central government set targets for casualty reduction in March 2000. As part of the wider Local Transport Plan process local highway authorities are required to produce a Local Road Safety Strategy (LRSS). Whilst an initial was submitted as part of West Berkshire Council's Local Transport Plan 2000 / 01 – 2005 / 06, it was recognised that a more detailed strategy would subsequently need to be developed. Consequently a draft Local Road Safety Strategy was considered by the Council's Executive in August 2002 where approval was given to consult on the document.
- 1.2 The document has now been amended following consideration of the responses to the consultation. The document will form part of the Council's Local Transport Plan 2000 / 01 – 2005 / 06 strategies. There will be no formal marking of the strategy as part of the current Local Transport Plan. It is intended to further review both the strategy and the targets as part of the development of the Council's second Local Transport Plan covering the period 2006/07 – 2011/12, which is due to be submitted to government in July 2005.

Appendices

Appendix 1- West Berkshire Local Road Safety Strategy October 2004-10-05

Appendix 2 - List of consultees

Implications

Policy:	The Council's LRSS builds on the Local Transport Plan Strategy and once adopted will provide a framework for the delivery of the Government's 10 Year casualty reduction target.
Financial:	Delivery of the LRSS is built into the Council's capital and revenue budgets
Personnel:	None
Legal:	The Council has a statutory duty to produce a Road Safety Plan as set out in Section 39 of the Road Traffic Act 1988
Environmental:	The Council's Local Road Safety Strategy will seek to deliver a safer environment for all classes of road users in a way that will encourage, when realistic, sustainable choice of travel mode
Equalities:	There are no implications
Partnering:	Partnering opportunities are set out within the LRSS attached as Appendix 1 of this report.
Property:	There are no implications
Risk Management:	Set out above
Community Safety:	The Council's Local Road Safety Strategy will seek to deliver a safer environment for all classes of road users in a way that will encourage, when realistic, sustainable choice of travel mode

Consultation Responses

Members:	Consulted as part of the original consultation process
Leader of Council:	Consulted as part of the original consultation process
Select Committee Chairmen:	Consulted as part of the original consultation process
P&L Committee Chairman (where appropriate):	Not applicable
Ward Members:	All members consulted as part of the original consultation process
Opposition Spokesperson:	Consulted as part of the original consultation process
Advisory Members:	Not applicable
Local Stakeholders:	Consulted as part of the original consultation process – see Appendix 2
Officers Consulted:	Consulted as part of the original consultation process
Trade Union:	Not applicable