

COUNCIL: 28 SEPTEMBER 2017

STRATEGIC PLANNING AND TRANSPORT STATEMENT

AGENDA ITEM: 12

LED Street Lighting

I am pleased to inform Members that the delivery of LED lanterns on the strategic road network is now 75% complete. The programme will be completed by the end of the year and will provide the most energy efficient, controllable and effective lighting possible. Further upgrades and improvements to the City Centre and underpass lighting across the city are also being delivered.

Highway Maintenance and Improvement

A number of roads have been reconstructed throughout the city, most notably another phase of Grand Avenue in Ely, which has now received over £1M of investment, thereby ensuring a long term solution to a historic issue that will be suitable for future generations.

The carriageway surface treatment programme has also commenced. 10 streets received treatment in August and although the wet weather has caused some disruption to the programme it is set to continue into October to mitigate any delays as far as is possible. Notifications will continue to be delivered and advance information signage installed to ensure all stakeholders are aware of the works and disruption is kept to the minimal possible.

With regard to various minor works programmes, between July and September 2017, approximately £400k has been spent on circa 12,000 square metres of patching works within 27 of the 29 wards in the city. Within the same period, approximately £20k has been invested in lining refresh works, with a particular concentration in Rumney, Llanrumney, Plasnewydd and Pontprennau and further works still to be progressed.

Moving Traffic Offences

Moving Traffic Offences for phase 1 camera locations have now started to fall, with a reduction to date this year of 22%. This shows that behaviours are improving and this will lead to improved bus services in terms of timeliness and reduced network problems due to blocked junctions. The roll out of Moving Traffic Offence cameras for phase 3 was implemented in August and early September 2017, with a further 12 sites operational to support enforcement of bus lanes, yellow boxes and banned movements. Sites included the new Caerphilly Road bus lane scheme and key junctions on Newport Road where cars are making unsafe movements against banned movements.

On Street Parking

The enhancements to pay & display parking options with new machines and pay by phone has meant that the service now takes more money by card (57%), compared to cash payments (43%). Smart Parking sensor installation is also substantially complete.

Cycling

The concept design of the East-West Cycle Super Highway is progressing. Next steps include consultation on key sections, WeITAG options appraisal and preparation of bids for funding.

I can also confirm that Sunday 13th May 2018 has been selected for Car Free Day.

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