

ROADS REVENUE BUDGET 2014 TO 2015 – 3rd QUARTER UPDATE

1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The main purpose of this report is to advise Members of the roads revenue budget position for the 3rd Quarter of financial year 2014/15.

The overall roads maintenance budget for the 2014/15 year (excluding winter maintenance and coastal protection) is £4,145,227. Spend at the end of the third quarter of the financial year is £3,133,803; this equates to a 76% spend, with 24% remaining for the last quarter of the financial year.

Spend to date In Helensburgh and Lomond is £425,622 against an overall budget for the Area of £679,075, i.e. 63% spend to date. Plans are already in place to ensure that the remaining 37% of the Helensburgh and Lomond revenue budget is spent over the remaining last quarter of the year.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee notes this report.

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2.0 SUMMARY

2.1 This report is the second of four reports which will provide Members with information on road maintenance revenue activities being delivered in 2014/15.

3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1 That the Committee notes this report.

4.0 DETAILS

4.1 Members were presented with four reports for each quarter of the 2013 to 2014 financial year which provided information on the roads maintenance revenue budget. This third, of four reports in the series, provides financial information on roads maintenance spend for the third quarter of the 2014 to 2015 financial year.

4.2 The table at Appendix 1a) provides details of spend in the Helensburgh and Lomond Area. Actual costs to date are provided, along with spend for the 2nd and 3rd quarters, to allow comparisons to be made between the two periods. This table indicates that, for an overall budget for the Area of £679,075, spend to date is £425,622 i.e. 63% spend to date. Appendix 1b), indicates the overall roads revenue maintenance budget for each area; the total roads maintenance budget for the 2014/15 year (excluding winter maintenance and coastal protection) is £4,145,227 as indicated in the table.

4.3 Appendix 1c) provides information on percentage spend for all areas. As mentioned above, the spend for Helensburgh and Lomond is currently at 63%, which is slightly low for this time of year; this is mainly due to concentrating the majority of resources on delivery of the roads reconstruction programme which is now virtually complete. Revenue maintenance works planned for the remainder of the year in the Lomond Area include white lining and studding, patching, gully-emptying and general drainage works.

4.4 In Appendix 1d) the budget spent for each activity has been divided by the estimated unit rate for that activity to give the amount of work that would be expected to have been achieved within that budget spend. In future, actual quantities of works carried out in each area will be correlated with costs to provide average unit rates for each area.

4.5 Appendix 1e) shows graphically how some of the main work activities have progressed in the first quarter of the year in financial terms. Budget profiles are set for each budget line and are used to manage actual expenditure against available budget. Graphs show 'target' spend versus 'actual and re-profiled' spend. The last two graphs indicate the overall position.

4.6 Members are reminded that the Roads Operations Budget is proposed in line with the Roads Maintenance and Management Strategy and the Roads Maintenance and Asset Management Plan (RAMP). As Members are aware, the available revenue budget is currently insufficient to allow all of the required works to be fully undertaken at the level of maintenance activity identified in the RAMP. Roads revenue expenditure is closely monitored by separating types of work into different 'activities'. This report is based upon financial information which has been collated through the 'Total' costing system. Winter maintenance and coastal protection costs have been excluded from this report.

4.7 To ensure that the remaining 37% of the Helensburgh and Lomond revenue budget is fully spent by the end of the financial year, plans have been put in place to carry out a variety of roads maintenance tasks; these include the following activities:-

- Gully emptying – All gullies/channel blocks etc. to be cleared and jetted before the end of March.
- Machine and hand patching work to be carried out at a number of locations – A814 Craigendoran, A814 Rhu, A814 Loch Long, B872 Whistlefield, B833 Couport, Duchess Park, Stafford Street, Baird Avenue, Rosneath Drive, Couport Place, Cove Place, Granville Street and various locations on the Glen Luss Road.
- Ditching / drainage work to be carried out at the following locations – Barbour Road, Glen Fruin, B832 Muirlands, A814 Loch Long. North Ailey Road.
- Roadmarkings etc – Various locations plus B833 replacement studs.

5.0 CONCLUSION

This report provides Members with a financial update on the roads revenue maintenance budget for the first quarter of the financial year 2014 to 2015. It indicates an average spend of 63% in the Helensburgh and Lomond Area at the end of the third quarter. Further quarterly reports will continue to be presented to Members at future Area Committees.

6.0 IMPLICATIONS

6.1	Policy	Works assessed and carried out under the current Roads Asset Management and Maintenance Plan.
6.2	Financial	The available Roads revenue budget is below that required in terms of the RAMP.
6.3	Legal	None
6.4	HR	Roads revenue maintenance works are delivered by both Roads Operations and Amenity Operatives.
6.5	Equalities	None
6.6	Risk	Deterioration of road network if budget not spent effectively.
6.7	Customer Services	Maintains service level commitment set out in Service Plan.

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APPENDICES

Appendix 1a – Actual spend to date – Helensburgh & Lomond Area.

Appendix 1b – Overall Budget – All Areas.

Appendix 1c – Percentage Spend – All Areas.

Appendix 1d – Estimated quantity of works carried out.

Appendix 1e – Graphs

APPENDICES

HELENSBURGH AND LOMOND – COSTS TO DATE Q3

Activity Description	2014 / 15 Budgets	Costs at end of Q2	Costs at end of Q3	Remaining Budget
Resurfacing	£0	£0	£0	£0
Anit Skid Treatment	£0	£0	£0	£0
Patching	£214,875	£38,492	£40,984	£173,891
Potholing	£55,000	£18,050	£22,883	£32,117
Bridges	£0	£0	£0	£0
Cattle Grids	£0	£16,398	£16,372	-£16,372
Footways/Kerbs	£29,000	£11,695	£14,721	£14,279
Cycleway/Patching	£0	£0	£0	£0
Remedial Earthworks	£0	£0	£0	£0
Drainage/Culverts	£63,000	£13,800	£30,934	£32,066
Drainage/Ditches	£72,000	£42,527	£69,882	£2,118
Scrub/Tree Maintenance	£26,000	£6,613	£10,702	£15,298
Roads Markings/Studs	£24,000	£10,469	£17,773	£6,227
Boundary Fences/Walls	£0	£1,989	£1,988	-£1,988
Pedestrian Guardrails	£0	£0	£0	£0
Traffic Signals	£0	£0	£0	£0
Traffic Signs	£10,000	£12,156	£12,737	-£2,737
Illuminated Bollards	£0	£0	£0	£0
Vehicle Safety Fence	£1,500	£348	£348	£1,152
Street Name Plates	£700	£0	£0	£700
Sweeping and Cleaning	£0	£0	£0	£0
Emergency Incidents	£7,000	£517	£1,025	£5,975
Summer Standby	£19,000	£9,939	£11,354	£7,646
Roads	£522,075	£182,993	£251,703	£270,372
Grass Cutting	£44,000	£854	£27,260	£16,740
Weed Spraying	£20,000	£0	£11,558	£8,442
Amenity	£64,000	£854	£38,818	£25,182
Road Master	£52,000	£28,589	£40,336	£11,664
Gully Emptying	£41,000	£95,062	£94,765	-£53,765
Fleet	£93,000	£123,651	£135,101	-£42,101
	£679,075	£307,498	£425,622	£253,453

Percentage spend to date 63%

Roads Revenue Maintenance Budget 2014 to 2015

Activity	Activity Description	Mid Argyll	Kintyre	Islay	MAKI	Lorn	Mull	OLI	Bute	Cowal	B&C	Lomond	Central	Total
0501	Patching	130,000	140,000	60,000	330,000	179,000	88,000	267,000	92,000	205,000	297,000	214,875		1,108,875
0502	Potholing	28,000	26,000	118,000	172,000	172,000	86,000	258,000	26,000	42,000	68,000	55,000		553,000
0701	Bridges				0			0			0		225,000	225,000
0801	Cattle Grids				0			0			0		30,000	30,000
1001	Footways/Kerbs	2,500	2,500	2,500	7,500	4,500	3,000	7,500	22,000	26,000	48,000	29,000		92,000
1401	Drainage/Culverts	9,000	17,000	18,000	44,000	54,000	20,000	74,000	6,000	14,000	20,000	63,000		201,000
1402	Drainage/Ditches	43,000	45,000	66,000	154,000	91,000	58,000	149,000	29,000	69,000	98,000	72,000		473,000
1601	Scrub/Tree Maintenance	12,000	12,000	12,000	36,000	22,000	9,000	31,000	8,000	20,000	28,000	26,000		121,000
1701	Roads Markings/Studs	6,500	14,000	14,000	34,500	19,000		19,000	4,500	28,000	32,500	24,000		110,000
2201	Traffic Signals				0			0			0		30,000	30,000
2301	Traffic Signs	6,000	6,000	6,000	18,000	18,000	23,000	41,000	4,500	9,000	13,500	10,000		82,500
2311	Illuminated Bollards				0			0			0		5,000	5,000
2401	Vehicle Safety Fence	8,500	1,000	1,000	10,500	2,000	1,000	3,000	852	1,500	2,352	1,500		17,352
2411	Street Name Plates	400	400	400	1,200	700	500	1,200		900	900	700		4,000
3201	Emergency Incidents	4,000	4,000	4,000	12,000	12,000	5,000	17,000		9,000	9,000	7,000		45,000
3202	Summer Standby	7,000	7,000	7,000	21,000	7,000	5,000	12,000		13,000	13,000	19,000	13,000	78,000
	Roads	256,900	274,900	308,900	840,700	581,200	298,500	879,700	192,852	437,400	630,252	522,075	303,000	3,175,727
1501	Grass Cutting	23,000	23,000	23,000	69,000	42,000	18,000	60,000	6,500	37,000	43,500	44,000		216,500
1503	Weed Spraying	4,000	4,000	4,000	12,000	14,000	6,000	20,000	8,000	4,000	12,000	20,000		64,000
	Amenity	27,000	27,000	27,000	81,000	56,000	24,000	80,000	14,500	41,000	55,500	64,000	0	280,500
0503	Road Master	82,000	61,000	47,000	190,000	56,000	93,000	149,000	33,000	99,000	132,000	52,000		523,000
1801	Gully Emptying	13,000	13,000	3,500	29,500	38,000	3,500	41,500	9,000	45,000	54,000	41,000		166,000
	Fleet	95,000	74,000	50,500	219,500	94,000	96,500	190,500	42,000	144,000	186,000	93,000	0	689,000
		378,900	375,900	386,400	1,141,200	731,200	419,000	1,150,200	249,352	622,400	871,752	679,075	303,000	4,145,227

Roads Revenue Maintenance Budget – Helensburgh and Lomond
End of 3rd Quarter Spend and Estimate of Percentage of Target Achieved

		H&L 2014/15						Asset
Funding	Activity	Unit	Spend to Date	Estimated Works Quantity	% of Asset Management Plan achieved	Target Unit Rate	Target Quantity (from Asset Management Plan)	Inventory Quantity
R10	0501 Patching	sq.m	£ 40,984.00	1343.74	9.93%	£ 30.50	13,526.72	1,352,672.00
	0502 Potholing	n/a	£ 22,883.00					-
	1001 Footways Resurfacing	sq.m	£ 14,721.00	860.07	43.49%	£ 17.12	1977.58	108,148.00
	1401 Drainage Culverts	no.	£ 30,934.00	794.20	124.00%	£ 38.95	640.50	896.00
	1402 Drainage Ditches	m	£ 69,882.00	39259.55	168.24%	£ 1.78	23336.00	23,336.00
	1501 Grasscutting	m	£ -	0.00	0.00%	£ 0.03	749440.00	750,000.00
	1503 Weedkilling	sq.m	£ -	0.00	0.00%	£ 0.13	261291.00	318,171.00
	1601 Scrub / Tree Maintenance	n/a	£ 10,702.00					-
	2301 Traffic Signs	no.	£ 12,737.00	145.47	60.11%	£ 87.56	242.00	2,078.00
	Totals		£ 202,843.00				177957.65	







