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HIGHLAND COUNCIL

Committee: Economy and Infrastructure

Date: 5 May 2021

Report Title: Economy and infrastructure Capital Programme Update

Report By: Executive Chief Officer Infrastructure and Environment

1. Purpose/Executive Summary

- 1.1 This report updates members on progress on the Economy and Infrastructure projects in the approved Capital Programme.
- 1.2 Approval is sought to allocate capital funding from the Bridges Retaining Walls and Culverts budget to Tordarroch Bridge to effect repairs following an unknown bridge strike.
- 1.3 Uig ferry terminal tenders have been returned following agreement of the scope of works and procurement strategy with Transport Scotland. Tenders are in line with the pretender estimate. A submission for funding has been made to Transport Scotland and approval is anticipated on the 25 May 2021. This paper seeks delegated power to accept the grant funding and award the contract to the Executive Chief Officer Infrastructure and Environment in consultation with the Chair and Vice Chair of Economy and Infrastructure Committee, this to achieve the programme constraints associated with the planned cessation of ferry operations at Uig between 12 September 2022 to 3 February 2023.
- 1.4 Finally, the report provides an update on the Strategic Timber Transport Fund bids.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 Members are asked to:-
 1. **Note** the progress made during the current financial year with the Economy and Infrastructure projects in the Council's Capital programme;
 2. **Approve** that Tordarroch Bridge is added to the list of structures to be funded from the Bridges Retaining Walls and Culverts line of the approved Capital Programme included in appendix 1 of Report ECI/38/20;

3. **Approve** the delegated power to the Executive Chief Officer Infrastructure and Environment to accept the grant funding provided by Transport Scotland for Uig Ferry Terminal, in consultation with the Chair and Vice Chair of Economy and Infrastructure Committee;
4. **Approve** the delegated power the Executive Chief Officer Infrastructure and Environment to confirm the award of the Main Civil Infrastructure Works contract in line with the confirmation from the IDM Board on the approved budget and in consultation with the Chair and Vice Chair of Economy and Infrastructure Committee; and
5. **Note** the submission of bids to the Strategic Timber Transport Fund.

3. Implications

- 3.1 **Resource** - There are no additional implications on the capital budgets arising from this report.
- 3.2 **Legal** - Many of the projects included within the Council's Capital programme relate to statutory duties, some projects also require progression of statutory consents and processes.
- 3.3 **Community (Equality, Poverty and Rural)** - The report details continuing investment across all geographic areas of the Council. The Capital programme will make a significant contribution to the economic recovery across Highland communities in the coming years. Consultations are still to be held (delayed by Covid restrictions) to finalise the Equalities Impact Assessment for the Uig Ferry Terminal project.
- 3.4 **Climate Change / Carbon Clever** - Many projects contribute to resilience to climate change such as flood schemes, schemes are also being progressed that align with the new hierarchy of travel towards more sustainable travel modes.
- 3.5 **Risk** - All risk matters are managed on both individual projects and across programmes of work. It should be noted that the financial risk associated with Uig Ferry Terminal rests with Transport Scotland.
- 3.6 **Gaelic** - Council policy will be followed in relation to any bi-lingual signing requirements.

4. Capital Programme

- 4.1 The Council's Capital programme was approved at full Council on the 7 March 2018. An update to this Capital Programme was approved in January 2021, and this report provides details to members of the Environment and Infrastructure projects identified within this programme.
- 4.2 It is of note that all projects contained within this report are progressing in accordance with the Highland Council budgets identified in the January 2021 Capital paper. Finance information in respect of spend and profile for each project will be reported to a future committee.

- 4.3 The COVID- 19 pandemic has had a significant impact on the delivery of the Council's Capital programme, both in respect of live construction projects, the design and tendering process and also the cost and programming issues of returned tenders.
- 4.4 Projects under construction have been impacted in two ways. Construction on live projects was suspended for 3 months following guidance issued by Scottish Government. This cessation of work had a very direct impact on progression. Following the resumption of construction works, guidance has been issued, and all construction projects have undertaken detailed risk assessments and mitigated the risks through development of method statements. Restriction on travel, and social/physical distancing has had a direct impact on construction efficiencies and has also had a significant impact on the supply chain.
- 4.5 Whilst the full impact of COVID-19 has yet to be established – it is clear that this has caused delay and additional costs for ongoing construction works.
- 4.6 The pandemic has also changed ways of working, diverted staff onto COVID related activities and also hampered consultations and statutory processes. These impacts have inevitably also slowed progression on the design and consenting elements of the schemes – leading to slippage in the delivery programme.
- 4.7 Ongoing COVID implications and mitigation measures will increase construction costs and as such tenders received and programme durations are longer and tender values will be higher as a consequence.
- 4.8 Despite the impact of COVID this report details that much has been achieved, with construction works progressing and more projects being developed and moving towards construction.
- 4.9 Funding from Scottish Government in respect of Spaces for People and the Rapid Bus Deployment Fund have both been successfully bid for and works are progressing in line with the approved grants and are reported below.

5. Progress Update

- 5.1 Appendix 1 lists the Economy and Infrastructure Projects and provides an update on current progress.

6. Tordarroch Bridge

- 6.1 Tordarroch bridge has suffered a bridge strike by persons unknown causing structural damage requiring repair. The bridge is currently closed – but measures are being taken to open it for non-motorised users. Tordarroch bridge is a B listed structure of late 18th century construction, it was listed for cultural importance. This bridge carries the U1104 public road over the River Nairn at Tordarroch steading, 1km West of Farr village. It is a single span dressed rubble with high dressed rubble arch ring with a dressed rubble parapet rising to point at centre. The width between parapets is 2.5m.
- 6.2 Repair work is required – but consideration of the options to, reinstate vehicular access, to limit access to non-motorised users, or close the bridge is being prepared and will be considered at a ward business meeting. Costs of repair are c£200K.

6.3 An allocation is included in the Council's Capital Programme for such bridge repair works called 'Bridges, Retaining Walls and Culvert' line. A Roads Structures Annual Report CEI/38/20 was approved at this committee on the 4 November 2020, this paper at **Appendix 1** included a list of allocated structures. **It is recommended that** Tordarroch Bridge Repair Works be added to this appendix for funding and progression from this budget line.

7. Uig Ferry Terminal

7.1 Members will recall an update paper ECI/33/20 taken to the 4 November 2020 Economy and Infrastructure Committee. An agreed procurement strategy was developed in consultation with Transport Scotland and tenders were invited that included the main civils infrastructure, car parking and marshalling, extension and strengthening to the existing facilities, and the contract was to include the new linkspan and dredging. A separate contract will be invited for the new terminal building.

7.2 Tenders were received on the 26 March 2021 and are being assessed in terms of quality and price. Tenders as received very closely align with pre-tender estimates provided to Transport Scotland.

7.3 Transport Scotland – through their Investment Decision Making (IDM) Board will consider the funding of the project on the 25 May 2021. There is some £1.5M of Highland Council funding in the approved capital programme for essential repair works not associated with ferry infrastructure, but the very significant majority of the funding is being sought from Transport Scotland.

7.4 If approved at IDM, Transport Scotland will fund all the ferry infrastructure works through grant funding with Highland Council contribution being made up through increased harbour dues determined when final out-turn costs are established.

7.5 Members will recall that the works require a cessation of ferry operations at Uig from 12 September 2022 to 3 February 2023 with alternative arrangements developed by Caledonian Ferries Ltd for this duration. Works on site have to commence in Summer 2021 to ensure that these dates can be met.

7.6 To achieve construction starting in Summer 2021, it will be necessary to award the contract in May 2021, post confirmation that IDM have approved the funding.

7.7 Due to the timing of the grant funding approval and the need to award the contract in accordance with the construction programme, this paper seeks to approve delegated authority to the Executive Chief Officer Infrastructure and Environment to both accept the offer of grant funding and then recommend the award of the construction contract, in consultation with the Chair and Vice Chair of Economy and Infrastructure Committee.

8. 2021 bids to Strategic Timber Transport Fund

8.1 In total 7 road improvement scheme bids, totalling £2.1M were submitted on 23 March 2021 to Scottish Forestry for Scottish Timber Transport Scheme (STTS) grant funding. The national STTS fund has £7M available for grant funding. To be successful it is necessary to demonstrate that a scheme directly supports the extraction of forestry timber within the following 12 months and complies with the other funding criteria. The national assessment panel will now assess the scheme with award letters issued during May.

8.2 **Appendix 2** shows the list of schemes.

Designation: Executive Chief Officer Infrastructure and Environment

Date: 6 April 2021

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- Background papers -
- Capital Programme 2018/19 to 2022/23 – 2 March 2018
 - Highland Council Capital Plan 2018/19 to 2022/23 Update Report 17 December 2020 – HC/43/20
 - Roads Structures Annual Report 4 November 2020 ECI/38/20
 - Uig Harbour Redevelopment- Grant Funding and Contract Award E&I 1 July 2020 (Private paper).

Economy and Infrastructure Capital Programme Update

Project Name	Project Lead	Project Works Description	Progress Update
Roads Structural Capital Works	Tracey Urry /Robin Pope	Area allocations - Structural maintenance works Highland wide to existing road network	Works programmed for Q1-Q3, materials and specialist plant ordered.
Road Surface Dressing Capital	Tracey Urry /Robin Pope	Area allocations - Surface dressing works Highland Wide to existing road network.	Area programmes being agreed through Local Area Committees
Bridges, Retaining Walls & Culverts	Simon Farrow / Andrew Tryon	Programme of bridge maintenance schemes	Various bridge maintenance schemes are in preparation and should be awarded this year - Bonar Bridge, Halladale, Vagastie, Inchkinloch, Kyle of Tongue, Ness Bridge PTSI, Ledmore. There is a list of bridge schemes programmed for following years, which will be updated based on inspection results. There is currently a backlog of schemes due to unavailability of in-house resources. There is a plan to deliver more scheme designs in future years via external consultants if internal resourcing is not available.
Area Minor Capital Works			
Timber Extraction	Robin Pope	Structural road improvement schemes identified, designed with £2.1M of bids submitted. Scheme delivery subject to grant funding will be June to Dec 2020.	STTS bids submitted to Scottish Forestry on 22 March 2021. Grant awards to be notified by end of May 2021 with all works completed by Feb 2022.
Major Road Improvements			
The Inverness West Link	Bryan Stout	Inverness West Link – completion.	Works are ongoing – completion programmed for the end of May 2021. Land Compensation issues relating to stage 1 of the West Link are still being progressed.
Inshes Roundabout	Garry Smith	Project to improve performance of the Inshes corridor from the A9 trunk Road to the Fluke Roundabout	City of Inverness Area Committee report for 24 th of May to provide project update – approval will be sought to commence consultation on options.

Development Infrastructure, Dingwall	Bryan Stout	Various infrastructure works to facilitate housing development in Dingwall to complement works to be delivered by developers	Bridgend Avenue junction improvement complete. Temporary 20 speed limit and traffic calming in place. Consultation started on permanent traffic calming in advance of progressing towards a permanent 20 speed limit.
B851/B862 South Loch Ness Road Improvements	Andrew Maclver	THC funds used to facilitate enhanced sustainable energy developer mitigation measures.	B851 – Inverarnie and Farr Village improvement completed Financial contributions secured for surfacing works – planned summer/autumn 2021. Additional funding secured for Farr Village improvement works expected 2021/`22. Flichity bridge improvement expected delivery 2021/22. Croachy Village improvement phase 1 completed – consultation summer 2021 for additional works. B862 – Dores Village Improvement consultation completed. Erogie village and localised junction and passing place improvements secured. Glebe settlement financial contribution secured works winter 2021. Discussions ongoing regarding Whitebridge Village Improvements. Safety barrier works planned for Summer 2021 Ongoing engagement is being progressed to capture opportunities for further road mitigation works.
Stromeferry Rockface	Garry Smith	Inspection and Maintenance of the 4.5km long rockface which is susceptible to rockfall and landslip.	2021 annual Rockface inspection planned for this April. Phase 12 rockface maintenance contract planned for Autumn 2021 to install 2 sections of rock catch fencing at high risk areas.
Kinloch Hourn Landslip	Bryan Stout	Emergency repair works	Complete
Minor Road Improvements			
Crask Junction	Bryan Stout	Road realignment to improve junction visibility	Complete
Major Bridge Works			
B863 Invercoe Bridge, Lochaber	Simon Farrow	Bridge replacement scheme	Tender process to begin in May with contract award in September. Construction work will run from November 2021 – March 2023. Some land acquisition issues still to be resolved.
A862 Muir of Ord Railway Bridge	Simon Farrow	Bridge replacement scheme	Construction complete. Minor land issues outstanding.

B9090 White Bridge	Andrew Tryon	Bridge replacement scheme	Construction complete, 5-year planting contract in maintenance, land acquisition to be concluded. Repairs to original White Bridge to be carried out in 2022.
Dulsie Bridge	Andrew Tryon	Bridge major maintenance scheme	Works delayed to allow further monitoring of bulging wall. Monitoring results show bridge has not moved recently - current plan is to continue monitoring to ensure no further movement takes place before determining the scope for a repair project in 2023/24.
Newhall Bridge	Simon Farrow	Bridge replacement scheme	Construction complete.
Acharn Bridge	Andrew Tryon	Bridge major maintenance scheme	Design work to commence 2022. Construction to commence 2023.
Achnagavin Bridge	Andrew Tryon	Bridge major maintenance scheme	Design work to commence 2022. Construction to commence 2023.
Naver Bridge	Simon Farrow / Bryan Stout	Bridge replacement scheme	Design contract awarded to Fairhurst on 24/03/21. Design and consenting work to run for 18 months. Construction due 2023-24
Lifeline Bridges			
B8007 Glenmore Bridge - Lifeline Bridges	Andrew Tryon	Bridge replacement scheme	Design underway, issues with land acquisition need to be addressed for scheme to proceed.
A831 Comar Refurbishment - Lifeline Bridges	Andrew Tryon	Bridge major maintenance scheme	Preliminary report complete. Design work to commence this year. Construction 2022.
ACTIVE TRAVEL			
Car Parking - Portree	Shane Manning	Construction of extension and refurbishment of Bayfield car park	Works are substantially complete, and available for use.
Car Parking - Fort Augustus	Shane Manning	Extension, increasing site by c60 bays in partnership with landowner.	Design and planning permission complete and landowner is progressing the works following a cessation due to Covid.
Car Parking - Fort William	Shane Manning	Miscellaneous drainage repairs and ongoing maintenance.	Works substantially complete last financial year.
Car Parking - Storr	Gordon MacDonald	New car park facility c100 spaces	Works are substantially complete – with minor snagging.
Car Parking - Inverness Lorry Park	Shane Manning	Refurbishment of the Inverness lorry park to create improved lorry and coach facilities.	Designs ongoing works programmed for Summer 2021.
Cycling, Walking & Safer Routes	Lisa MacKellaich	Over 50 different Safer Routes to School projects delivered around the Highland Council Area in 2020/21 (details attached).	Claim submitted to Transport Scotland and monies have now been received by the Council.

20mph Zones	Lisa MacKellaich		Capital Budget allocation removed in 2017/18. Separate EI Committee report on 20mph Speed Limits addressed funding
Traffic Management Improvements	Shane Manning	ERDF match funded project for delivery of MESH network (communication network for linking traffic management equipment).	c70% complete, delayed due to Covid, completion anticipated Summer 2021.
Community Links PLUS	Neil Young	The Inverness City Active Travel Network (ICATN) project aims to deliver key elements of the active travel network across the City of Inverness that seeks to double the levels of cycling for everyday journeys.	Work on all phases of ICATN is underway with some phases more advanced than others. A tender exercise will soon be undertaken to appoint consultants to lead on the design and community / business engagement for the Millburn Road Corridor. A contractor has been appointed for the Raigmore Active Travel link with construction to commence imminently. A revised ICATN project and funding programme has recently been approved by Transport Scotland. This confirms an extension to the funding period which will now run to 31 December 2023.
Bus Priority Rapid Development Fund	Garry Smith	Design and construct 2 bus only lanes.	Foundry Way bus gate, Inverness Bus Station to Rose Street. Works start 5 th April for 8 weeks. Raigmore Bus Gate, Designs ongoing.
Spaces for People	Craig Baxter	Scottish Government (Sustrans) funded project during covid-19 restrictions	The majority of works are complete and in place. Works on-going until social distancing measures relaxed.
LIGHTING			
Structural Lighting Works	John Allan	Replacement of life expired/weakened lighting column and failed power cables	Q1 works programmed
LED Programme	John Allan	Replacement of non-LED lighting units.	LED Lanterns in stock Q1 works programmed
FLOOD PREVENTION			
Flood Prevention Schemes			
River Ness Flood Prevention - Tidal Section (Incl Streetscaping)	Colin Howell	Flood scheme on River Ness on the tidal section downstream of Ness Bridge	Works complete. Land compensation agreement is still to be concluded.
Smithton / Culloden Flood Alleviation	Alan Fraser	Flood scheme to reduce flood risk to communities of Smithton and Culloden.	Construction completed in September 2020.

Major Flood Schemes			
River Enrick FPW / NFMS	Alan Fraser	Flood scheme to reduce flood risk to village of Drumnadrochit, including Kilmichael and village centre.	Construction anticipated to start in summer 2021. Completion in 2022.
Caol FPW	Garry Smith	2km of direct flood defence for the Communities of Caol and Lochyside	Contract Awarded February 2021. Works commence May 2021 for 2 years.
Mill Burn FPS	Alan Fraser	Study relating to a potential scheme to reduce flood risk from the Mill Burn, Inverness, including at Old Edinburgh Rd, Diriebught Rd and Harbour Rd.	Option Appraisal completed and submitted to SEPA in Dec 2019 for national prioritisation. Awaiting outcome of prioritisation and subsequent Scottish government grant funding decisions prior to decision on whether or not to progress to Flood Protection Scheme confirmation and detailed design.
Conon Bridge Flood Defence Improvements	Bryan Stout	Flood Defence Bund	Design works ongoing works to be constructed 2021/22
River Gynack FPS / NFMS	Alan Fraser	Study relating to a potential scheme to reduce flood risk from the Gynack Burn, Kingussie.	Hydraulic modelling completed in 2020. Next stage – Options Appraisal for submission to SEPA for National Prioritisation in Dec 2025.
River Peffery - FPS / NFMS	Alan Fraser	Study relating to a potential scheme to reduce flood risk from the River Peffery, in Blairninich and Dingwall,	Option Appraisal completed and submitted to SEPA in Dec 2019 for national prioritisation. Awaiting outcome of prioritisation and subsequent Scottish government grant funding decisions prior to decision on whether or not to progress to Flood Protection Scheme confirmation and detailed design.
Golspie - FPS / NFMS	Alan Fraser	Study relating to a potential scheme to reduce flood risk from the coast at Golspie.	Option Appraisal completed and submitted to SEPA in Dec 2019 for national prioritisation. Awaiting outcome of prioritisation and subsequent Scottish government grant funding decisions prior to decision on whether or not to progress to Flood Protection Scheme confirmation and detailed design.
River Thurso - FPS	Alan Fraser	Study relating to a potential scheme to reduce flood risk from the River Thurso.	Option Appraisal completed and submitted to SEPA in Dec 2019 for national prioritisation. Awaiting outcome of prioritisation and subsequent Scottish government grant funding decisions prior to decision on whether or not to progress to Flood Protection Scheme confirmation and detailed design.

River Nairn & Auldearn Burn FPS	Alan Fraser	Study relating to a potential scheme to reduce flood risk in Nairn from the coast, Auldearn Burn and River Nairn.	Hydraulic modelling and options appraisal work yet to commence. Anticipated start late 2021.
Kirkhill Watercourse Diversion	Alan Fraser	Small scheme to divert watercourse and reduce flood risk in Wardlaw Rd area of Kirkhill.	Construction complete 2017.
Risk Management Plans	Alan Fraser	Work to meet THC obligations in Flood Risk Management (Scotland) Act 2009.	Local Flood Risk Management Plans (6 yearly cycle) developed for public consultation in 2021. Plans to be finalised by June 2022.
Flood Improvement Works Knockbain Burn, Dingwall	Alan Fraser /Garry Smith	Scheme to reduce flood risk to Dingwall from the Knockbain Burn including coarse debris screen and replacement screen and headwall at culvert inlet.	Design for Coarse debris screen complete. Tenders sought but returns were over available budget. Review of design for re-tender 2021. Replacement screen design on going with tender summer 2021.
Inverness SWMP/ICS	Alan Fraser	Highland wide Surface Water Management Plan, with Inverness included as a focus location. Plan will identify and prioritise areas of greatest risk to surface water flooding and identify next steps.	Plan ongoing. Anticipated that plan will be finalised early 2022.
Newtonmore SWMP	Alan Fraser	Highland wide Surface Water Management Plan, with Newtonmore included as a focus location. Plan will identify and prioritise areas of greatest risk to surface water flooding and identify next steps.	Plan ongoing. Anticipated that plan will be finalised early 2022.
Dingwall SWMP	Alan Fraser	Highland wide Surface Water Management Plan, with Dingwall included as a focus location. Plan will identify and prioritise areas of greatest risk to surface water flooding and identify next steps.	Plan ongoing. Anticipated that plan will be finalised early 2022.

Halkirk SWMP	Alan Fraser	Highland wide Surface Water Management Plan, with Halkirk included as a focus location. Plan will identify and prioritise areas of greatest risk to surface water flooding and identify next steps.	Plan ongoing. Anticipated that plan will be finalised early 2022.
Fort William SWMP	Alan Fraser	Highland wide Surface Water Management Plan, with Fort William included as a focus location. Plan will identify and prioritise areas of greatest risk to surface water flooding and identify next steps.	Plan ongoing. Anticipated that plan will be finalised early 2022.
Corpach SWMP	Alan Fraser	Highland wide Surface Water Management Plan, with Corpach included as a focus location. Plan will identify and prioritise areas of greatest risk to surface water flooding and identify next steps.	Plan ongoing. Anticipated that plan will be finalised early 2022.
Uig Ferry Terminal and Linkspan	Andrew MacIver	Ferry Terminal upgrade to provide increased car parking and marshalling, new terminal building, marine infrastructure works and new linkspan to accommodate ferry vessel 802 under construction.	Tenders returned; submission made to Transport Scotland to finalise funding arrangements. Construction works planned to commence Summer 2021 with completion Summer 2023.
Sconser Ferry Terminal	Garry Smith		Complete
Corran ferry (as agreed at HC 29-10-20)	Richard Porteous	Ferry and associated Infrastructure works	Funding to be sought to deliver vessels and infrastructure upgrade.
Inshes Park (Phases 1 to 3)	Garry Smith	Construction of infrastructure of spine paths and amenity areas within Inshes Park. Developer / external funding	Phase 3 Contract awarded to Pat Munro Ltd. Works commence 5 th April for 16 weeks
Torvean Golf Course	Bryan Stout	Mitigation works for West Link	Complete.

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT			
Town & Countryside Regeneration	Alastair Stewart	Repairs to footbridges.	Progress stalled 20/21 due to lack of budget provision.
Misc Assets, Bridges & Structures			
Assets, Bridges & Structures	Bryan Stout	Establishment of bridges asset register and condition assessment of THC bridges not on the adopted road network.	Ongoing.
Green Networks, Core Paths & Long-Distance Routes	Phil Waite	Improvement to 2.6 km of West Highland Way, south of Kinlochleven. Including re-surfacing, re-profiling, ditches, cross drains, fords and small bridge. Ardersier Village Path – 150m traffic-free, aggregate path linking village and bus stop to coastal path and Ardersier Common	90% Complete. Only small kit bridge to install, awaiting delivery. Covid delay. Completed February 2020
Other Grant Funded Schemes			
Vacant & Derelict Land Fund and Regeneration Fund	Alan Webster	Scottish Government grant. The aim of the VDLF is to bring long term vacant and derelict land back into productive use.	Council stopped receiving ring-fenced capital grant 31/03/2017. Council currently closing down Scottish Government approved projects.
Regeneration Capital Grant Fund (RCGF)	Alan Webster	Scottish Government grant. Annual grant fund programme that supports large scale community and economic regeneration projects.	National challenge fund. Whilst community groups and third sector organisations cannot apply directly to this fund, the Council can submit applications on their behalf. As such, the Council administers grant on behalf of the Scottish Government. Projects being delivered in accordance with Scottish Government grant terms.

Town Centre Fund	Alan Webster	Scottish Government grant. The aim of the TCF is to enable local authorities to stimulate and support place-based economic investments which encourage town centres to diversify and flourish, creating footfall through local improvements and partnerships.	Projects approved by City and Local Committees. Projects being delivered in accordance with Scottish Government grant terms.
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APPENDIX 2

Highland Council Strategic Timber Transport Scheme bids submitted 22 March 2021

Locality	Project	Remarks	Scheme cost £	Highland Council Match funding capital £			HC bid to STTS £
				Roads Timber	Roads Strategic	Third party	
Sutherland	B873 Altnaharra-Syre Phase 2	The project is to carry out public road improvements over 18.3km of the B873 between Altnaharra and Syre. Structural repairs, localised widening and passing place enlargement, replacement of culverts and drainage improvement and surface dress 10km. Proposed works programme 17/5/21-27/8/21	£300k	£90k			£210k
Sutherland	A837 Rosehall to Benmore - Phase 2	Key route; further road/bridge works, large timber volumes. Localised structural repairs over a 23km length with some safety barrier. Proposed works programme 2/8/21-24/12/21	£300k	£90k			£210k
Sutherland	U2054 Saval Road, Lairg	Revised partnership project involving Private sector, SW and HC local budget. Structural improvements to U2054 Saval Road, Lairg. Proposed works programme 1/7/21-31/9/21	£250k			£75k	£175k
Inverness	C1072 Foxhole – C1060 Abriachan Blackfold Brae.	Belladrum Bridge weak deck replacement and structural works over 8.3km of C1072 at Foxhole and 3.7km of C1060 between Abriachan and Ladycairn, plus a 4.1km section from Blackfold to the A82, including safety barrier, passing places, localised widening and edge strengthening. Proposed works programme 1/6/21-24/12/21	£900k	£177k		£93k	£630k

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				Roads Timber	Roads Strategic	Third party	
Easter Ross	B9176 Struie Hill	Structural repairs, localised widening and edge strengthening with some drainage improvement over 24km of the strategic Struie Hill route linking A836 and A9(T). Proposed work programme 5/7/21-29/10/21.	£300k		£90k		£210k
Sutherland	A897 Helmsdale to Melvich Strengthening	Structural improvements over 61km of A897 between Helmsdale and Melvich, strengthening, localised widening and edge repairs and bridge repairs on this key principal route. Proposed works programme 7/6/21-24/12/21.	£800k		£240k		£560k
Easter Ross	U1992 Evanton – Sworddale Phase 2	Structural improvements over 4km of U1992 from Hermitage Street Evanton and end of public road. Works required following significant structural failure over winter 2020/21 resulting in emergency closure of road to heavy vehicles and temporary works to maintain lifeline access. Road now prohibited for timber extraction. Proposed works programme 28/6/21-1/10/21.	£200k	£60k			£140k
Totals			£3,050k	£417k	£330k	£173k	£2,135k