Thurncourt Ward Community Meeting 4th October 2010 **Highway Maintenance** Alan Adcock Head of Highway Maintenance Leicester City Council and the second second

Highway Maintenance

- High Profile
- Public Interest –used by Everyone Everyday
- Priorities Now Changing
- Largest Asset





Highway Maintenance

- Covers maintenance of all highway features e.g. footways, roads, street lights, trees, verges,etc.
- Statutory obligations on the Council.
- Safety of the public is paramount.
- Influenced by Local Transport Plan (LTP) criteria, national guidelines and Codes of Practice (CoP).





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Highway Asset Management (1)

- Transport Asset Management Plan (TAMP) sets out maintenance strategies.
- Prioritisation of works is based upon asset management approach.
- Condition surveys undertaken various types: visual inspection to testing by machines
- Focus was on principal routes, which affect most users – and also linked to the LTP.

- Anna State Spirite Control



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Highway Asset Management (2)

- Generally "worst first" approach due to limited funding.
- Whole Of Government Accounting
- TAMP Objectives:

To optimise network serviceability

To optimise the safety of the network

To optimise sustainability

To focus on the user -customer service





Safety Inspections

- In addition to condition surveys, statutory safety inspections carried out periodically.
- Identifies "urgent defects" criteria defined by CoP
- · Not all defects meet criteria.
- Limited funding means we cannot attend to many non-urgent defects.
- However, details are recorded for future potential maintenance schemes. Action of the Control of the Control



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Current Highway Maintenance Issues

- Potholes
- Funding Availability
- Additional Funding
- Current and Future HM Strategy
- Statutory Undertakers Works
- Climate Change





Highway Maintenance Programme

- 77% of roads in City need maintenance work.
- £1 million extra funding confirmed in August.
- Programme of works being finalised.
- Able to start and address side streets.
- Tackling known problem areas across the City.
- Streets prioritised on condition correlates with complaints received.





Problem Areas in Thurncourt Ward

- Thurncourt Road outside shops.
- Dudley Avenue Junction with Ocean Road
- Dudley Avenue tarmac areas.
- Bowhill Grove section near Croyland Green.
- Brook Road junction with Scraptoft Lane.



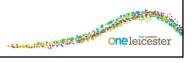


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'Pothole' Problems

- Causes
- Concrete Roads
- Solutions Short Term
- Solutions Medium Term













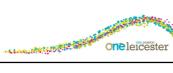




Funding Available for 2010/11

- £700,000 for reactive repairs (dangerous defects/potholes).
- £207,000 from the Dept for Transport Winter Damage Emergency Funding.
- £540,000 LTP Funding Re-Allocation
- £318,000 Additional City Council Funding this year.
- Total = £1,065,000





Winter Service ie Gritting

- Precautionary Gritting 36% of road network
- Priority Main roads, Bus routes, Commuter routes, Trouble Spots
- Resources Available
- Grit Bins
- 'Team of the Year 2010'



