

**Maintaining Scotland's Roads 2005 – 2007
Action Plan**

No.	Recommendations	Current Position	Proposed Action	Timescale	Progress update as at end of February 2007
1	Report on the condition of roads and maintenance backlog.	2005/06 Information received.	Continue to report on annual basis.	Report to SPC October 2006	Previously reported information was being assembled for the annual report to the December 2006 SPC. It can be reported this was submitted on 14 th December 2006 and is attached, see Appendix 2.
3	Establish a long-term strategy for road maintenance in the overall context of transportation and roads asset management strategies.	The Society of Chief Officers of Transportation in Scotland (SCOTS) is working on an overall Scotland Approach and is seeking funding from Efficient Government Fund (EGF). Bid was unsuccessful.	The Council is part of this Scotland Wide process.	Ongoing	The Council has now received notification of the 32 Council SCOTS EGF funding bid from the Scottish Executive. The bid was unsuccessful and the Roads & Amenity Services are now awaiting a further proposal from SCOTS.
4	Meet the recommendations stated in "Delivering Best Value in Highway Maintenance – Code of Practice for Maintenance Management".	Road Maintenance Plan introduced by Council in May 2004.	Continue to monitor.	-	Continuous monitoring.
6	Conduct an option appraisal for procuring and financing road maintenance services.	Work has commenced.	Undertake recommendation.	March 2007	Options appraisal has been incorporated into the Operational Services Options Appraisal which is looking at all of Operational Services and is due to report in May/June 2007.

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7	Improve inventory information on the roads assets.	Work ongoing.	Complete inventory.	March 2006	<p>The Roads Maintenance Management System (RMMS) is now fully operational within Street Lighting and Bridge Structures. It was reported that it was yet to become fully operational in Roads. This is now almost complete. It was previously reported that implementation would be complete by February 2007. Funding was awaited from the SCOTS EGF bid to aid this process and to allow a physical link to the systems of other Councils. As reported in 3 above this bid has been unsuccessful and the section is now awaiting a further proposal from SCOTS. Additional time will be needed due to lack of resources to carry out this work.</p>
8	Use asset management system linked to GIS and financial system.	Progress is now being made.	Introduce a Roads Maintenance Management System.	Initial introduction complete full implementation 1 st April 2006	<p>Roads Engineers have now started to receive their ICT training in order to operate the RMMS system. It was intended that after RMMS was established then it could be linked to the financial system. It was thought that this would have been achieved by February 2007. However, the link to the financial system will not be made at this time due to the loss of the SCOTS EGF funding. The section is now awaiting a further proposal on funding.</p>