

Maintaining Scotland's Roads 2005 – 2007 Action Plan

No.	Recommendations	Current Position	Proposed Action	Timescale	Progress update as at 8th of June 2007
1	Report on the condition of roads and maintenance backlog.	Information being collected.	Continue to report on annual basis.	Report to Executive Committee Nov 2007	Information being collected for the report.
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) working on an overall Scotland Approach was seeking funding from Efficient Government Fund (EGF). However this bid was unsuccessful. Further proposals are presently being considered.	The Council is part of the 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. Proposals for continuing joint working are currently being finalised.
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.	August 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 August 2007.

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7	Improve inventory information on the roads assets.	Work ongoing.	Complete inventory.	Work ongoing. The section is now awaiting a further proposal on funding.	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. Work ongoing
8	Use asset management system linked to GIS and financial system.	Progress is being made.	Introduce a Roads Maintenance Management System.	The section is now awaiting a further proposal on funding.	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.