

## Annual Progress Report Additional Highways Maintenance Funding 2019/20

### Statement of Spend as at 31 March 2020

In addition to the annual Capital Maintenance allocation, the Liverpool City Region Combined Authority received an additional funding grant of £991,589 for the 2019/20 financial year from the Department for Transport's pothole and flood resilience funding. This funding is intended to support plans to repair potholes and to protect the local road network from adverse weather.

Knowsley Council received an allocation of £115,024 from this funding. Specifically this funding was to be used for the permanent repair of potholes and/or the resurfacing of roads to eliminate the future formation of potholes.

The following statement is made in compliance with the grant conditions for the additional highway maintenance funding from the DfT and outlines how and where the funding was invested during 2019 to 2020.

Knowsley Council follows the recommendations of the Highways Maintenance Efficiency Programme Pothole Review and wherever possible seeks to implement the first time permanent repair of potholes.

In addition to the conventional patching methods, Knowsley Council continue to look at alternative answers to deal with potholes and trial innovative solutions. During 2019 to 2020 the two Hitex products below were successfully used for the permanent repair of potholes:

- **Hitex - TexPatch** is an economical screed-applied system used to seal and repair larger defects such as potholes. TexPatch provides a fast, permanent solution, and helps prevent further deterioration of the road surface.
- **Hitex - TexBand** is a fill and over-band system used to seal and repair open seams, joints and cracks up to 40mm wide in bituminous road surfaces. TexBand is a permanent and economical solution to prevent further deterioration or damage to the road surface when used in the treatment of early stage failures.

This additional funding has supported the authority by enabling additional permanent pothole repairs and joint sealing works to be carried out at the following locations on Knowsley Council's highway network:

### Carriageway Patching Works – 2019 to 2020

Road Name	Area (m2)
Seddons grove	34
Blakeacre road	10
Preston avenue	20
Milton avenue	21

Norbury road	14
Kitling road	12
Bowring park avenue	12
Liverpool road	125
Lathum close	27
Dacres bridge lane	20
Minstead avenue (plus 1 concrete speed cushion)	8
North parade	22
Elizabeth road	18
Cook street	25
The withens	7
Church road	9
South park road	16
Didcot close	6
Grosvenor road	9
Lordens road	23
The park	12
Roughwood drive– (plus 1 new speed cushion)	2
Rupert road – (plus 2 new speed cushions)	2
Moorgate road	4
Speke boulevard	6
Coopers lane	2
Knowsley park lane	9
Boundary drive	10
Westhead avenue	1
Muirfield road	34
Roughwood drive	4
Arbour lane	7
Church road	15
Scott avenue	11
Dale lane	8
Westhead avenue	4
Coopers lane	1
Vining road	23
Salerno drive	8
Perimeter road	20
Birch close	14
Liverpool road	10
Alt road	16
Blue bell lane	5
Westhead avenue	3
Ackers street	16
Horseshoe drive	4
Elizabeth road	16

Moor lane	49
Church way	17
Burtens way	14
Sergrim road	16
Hillside road	5
Hillside avenue	2
Haswell drive (plus 1 new Gully cover & frame)	8
Waterpark drive (plus 1 new rubber speed cushion)	2
Ormskirk road	68
Valley road	30
Higher road	14
Chadwell road	25
<b>Total</b>	<b>955 (m2)</b>
<b>Total Expenditure £96,373.04</b>	

Road Name	Hitex - TexPatch (m <sup>2</sup> )
Whiston Lane	180
Roby Road	120
Rupert Road	30
Stretton Way	35
<b>Total</b>	<b>365 (m<sup>2</sup>)</b>
<b>Total Expenditure £18,650.96</b>	

The pothole patching works that have been undertaken are aimed at preserving and restoring the condition of roads in Knowsley, a number of which will be followed up with a preventative maintenance treatments during 2020 to 2021 in accordance with good practice recommendations. This treatment seals the road helping to restore its surface integrity and prolong its life, by using this preventative maintenance strategy it will effectively secure the significant investment made in the pothole patching process and will help support the long-term durability and performance of the road network.