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CABINET MEMBER REPORT TO FULL COUNCIL

Written report by Cllr Terry Clements, Transport & Planning Portfolio

Portfolio includes:

- Highways Agency;
- Engineering;
- Conservation of the built environment;
- Car Parking;
- Transportation policy;
- Bus station and public transport;
- Planning Policy;
- Development Control and Enforcement;
- Building Control;
- Local Land and Property Gazetteer; and
- Local Land Charges.

1. <u>Transport and Engineering</u>

1.1 Traffic Management Schemes

- (a) The extension of the Zone H Neighbourhood Parking Scheme into Chalk Road, Queen's Road and York Road in Bury St Edmunds has been implemented. Following concerns raised by residents about the signing of this scheme a review has been undertaken and some minor changes made.
- (b) A consultation meeting regarding on street parking has been held with residents of the Chauntry Road/Mill Road area of Haverhill. As a result an additional on street survey is programmed for 24 September 2010.
- (c) The following temporary road closures in Bury St Edmunds are planned:-

Sunday 10 October:	Angel Hill car parking area near Athenaeum for 'Tasting the Earth' Suffolk Harvest. Overnight parking will be suspended from 5 pm on Saturday 9 October;
Monday 25 and Tuesday 26 October:	Raingate Street for new gas connection;
Thursday 11 November:	Angel Hill parking suspended in area around War Memorial for Wreath Laying ceremony. Overnight parking will be suspended from 5 pm on Wednesday 10 November

Sunday 14 November:	Angel Hill, Abbeygate Street, Crown Street and Chequer Square closed between 10 am and 1.30 pm for Remembrance Sunday Service, parade and march- past. Parking will be suspended overnight from 5 pm Saturday 13 November by the War Memorial area and in the entire area of Angel Hill and Chequer Square from 5 pm Saturday 13 November until 1.30 pm on Sunday 14 November;
Thursday 18 November:	Cornhill/Buttermarket area from 1.00 pm for Christmas lights switch on;
Wednesday 24 and Thursday 25 November:	Pump Lane for repair to water service;
Thursday 25 to Sunday 28 November:	Angel Hill for Christmas Fayre; and
Thursday 9 December:	Cornhill/Buttermarket from 1.00 pm for Charity Market.

1.2 Capital Works

(a) Bury St Edmunds

- (i) Phase 2 of the St Olaves Precinct scheme has been officially opened. The ground painting is scheduled for October 2010.
- (ii) The new toucan crossing in Cullum Road has been completed.
- (iii) The civil engineering work is complete to the new zebra crossing at the junction of Out Northgate/Station Hill.
- (iv) A new footway and car park link to the Lawson Place car parks has been finished.
- (v) A temporary build out at the junction of St Martins Street with Long Brackland has been made permanent. This is to reinforce the message to drivers that there is no entry at this point.

(b) Haverhill

(i) The Queen Street gates have been unveiled.

1.3 Highways Maintenance Works

(a) Surface dressing works have been undertaken in the following roads :-

Eastgate Street Hospital Road Out Westgate Station Hill Tayfen Road

- (b) The following roads have been resurfaced:-
 - St Andrews Street North Hollow Road Parkway/Cullum Road/Westgate Street/Out Westgate junction (Butts Corner)
- (c) Footway renewal works are complete in the Russell Baron Road area.

2. <u>Planning</u>

- 2.1 On 24 August 2010 the Council received the Planning Inspector's report into the examination of the Local Development Framework Core Strategy and has been published. The Inspector confirms that, subject to some required changes, the Core Strategy has been prepared within the legislative requirements and that the Strategy is sound. Members will have already received a copy of the Inspector's Report together with a briefing note. The Sustainable Development Panel will be considering the matter at its meeting on 5 October 2010.
- 2.2 I am pleased to announce that the final tranche of Growth Area Funds, amounting to £1,033,373, has now been received by the Council. The Growth Area Partnership Board continues to oversee this project.

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