

**REPORT TO:** Cabinet

**MEETING DATE:** 12 June 2012

**BY:** Executive Director (Services for Communities)

**SUBJECT:** Cycling, Walking & Safer Streets (CWSS) - Proposed Projects for 2012/13 (Year 12)

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## **1 PURPOSE**

- 1.1 This report presents the background to, and the proposed works for, the twelfth year of grant funding from the Scottish Government for the CWSS initiative.

## **2 RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 2.1 To progress the proposals in Appendix A during 2012/13.

## **3 BACKGROUND**

### **3.1 Cycling, Walking & Safer Streets**

On 12 April 2001 the Scottish Executive announced funding to assist Local Authorities to give greater prominence to Cycling, Walking and Safer Streets (CWSS) projects. Initial funding for CWSS in East Lothian for 2001/02 (Year 1) was £55,000 followed by £71,000 in 2002/03 (Year 2) and £148,000 in 2003/04 (Year 3). Funding for 2004/05 (Year 4), 2005/06 (Year 5) and 2006/07 (Year 6) was confirmed as £146,000, £154,000 and £157,000 respectively. Further funding for 2007/08 (Year 7) was also announced and East Lothian's allocation was £162,000. As part of the Concordat agreement with Local Government the funding for 2008/09, 2009/10 and 2010/11 was set at £170,000, respectively. Ring fenced funding was set at £139,000 for 2011/12 (Year 11).

- 3.2 Ring fenced funding for East Lothian for 2012/13 (Year 12) is £113,000.

- 3.3 This report recommends proposals for which the 2012/13 CWSS funding will be used to support cycling and improve road safety. These projects have been identified through the Council's Road Safety Working Group. Appendix A lists the locations and a brief description of the proposed projects.

#### **4 POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

- 4.1 The Cycling, Walking and Safer Streets initiative contributes towards Providing a Safer Environment - a key priority for East Lothian Council.
- 4.2 The Cycling, Walking and Safer Streets initiative also contributes towards East Lothian's Single Outcome Agreement Outcome 9 – *East Lothian's homes and roads are safer.*

#### **5 EQUALITIES IMPACT ASSESSMENT**

- 5.1 This report is not applicable to the well being of equalities groups and an Equality Impact Assessment is not required.

#### **6 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

- 6.1 Financial – It should be noted that detailed costs on an individual project basis are not available at this stage, which may result in some of the projects listed not being implemented on site during the current financial year.
- 6.2 Personnel - None
- 6.3 Other - None

#### **7 BACKGROUND PAPERS**

- 7.1 Environment & Technical Services Committee – Cycling, Walking and Safer Streets (CWSS) Projects 2001/02; 18 September 2001.
- 7.2 Environment & Technical Services Committee – Cycling, Walking and Safer Streets (CWSS) Proposed Projects 2002/03; 1 February 2002.
- 7.3 Environment & Technical Services Committee – Cycling, Walking and Safer Streets (CWSS) – Year 3 Proposals 2003/04; 11 June 2002.
- 7.4 Cabinet – Cycling, Walking & Safer Streets (CWSS) – Year 4 Proposals 2004/05; 9 March 2004.
- 7.5 Cabinet – Cycling, Walking & Safer Streets (CWSS) – Year 5 Proposals 2005/06; 8 February 2005.
- 7.6 Environment & Technical Services Committee – Assessment Procedure for 20mph Limits and Zones; 16 April 2002.
- 7.7 Cabinet – 20mph Limits Outside Schools – Phase 1; 28 October 2003.
- 7.8 Cabinet – 20mph Limits Outside Schools – Phase 2; 20 April 2004.

- 7.9 Cabinet – 20mph Limits Outside Schools – Phase 3 and other Measures Proposed for Safer Routes to Schools in 2005/06; 7 June 2005.
- 7.10 Cabinet – Cycling, Walking & Safer Streets (CWSS) Year 6 Proposals 2006/2007 - 20mph Limits Outside Schools (Phase 4) & Safer Routes To Schools Proposals 2006/2007; 2 May 2006
- 7.11 Cabinet – Cycling, Walking & Safer Streets (CWSS) Year 7 Proposals 2007/2008 - 20mph Limits Outside Schools (Phase 5) & Safer Routes To Schools Proposals 2007/2008; 13 March 2007
- 7.12 Cabinet – Cycling, Walking & Safer Streets (CWSS) Year 8 Proposals 2008/2009 13 May 2008
- 7.13 Cabinet – Cycling, Walking & Safer Streets (CWSS) Year 9 Proposals 2009/2010 9 June 2009
- 7.14 Cabinet – Cycling, Walking & Safer Streets (CWSS) Year 10 Proposals 2010/2011 5 May 2010
- 7.15 Cabinet – Cycling, Walking & Safer Streets (CWSS) Year 11 Proposals 2011/2012 14 June 2011

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**APPENDIX A**

<b>CWSS PROJECTS 2012/13</b>		
	<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>PROPOSAL</b>
<b>1</b>	Hallhill, Dunbar	Cyclepaths / footpaths / lighting - Phase II
<b>2</b>	East Linton	B1377 Village Gateway Improvements
<b>3</b>	New Joint School Campus, Haddington	Victoria Road, Pedestrian / cyclist links improvements