

COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING – 27TH JUNE 2018

POSITION STATEMENT FROM THE CABINET LEAD MEMBER FOR ENVIRONMENT AND TRANSPORT

Highway Performance

The structural condition of Leicestershire's roads remains amongst the best in the Country. The latest Department for Transport (DfT) road condition statistics show that no authority in England had better road condition across all classifications (A, B, C and unclassified) in 2016/17. All authorities with better Non-Principal (B and C class) road condition have significantly shorter networks than us and only one authority with better Unclassified road condition has a longer network than Leicestershire. No county council had better road condition in any classification in 2016/17.

Recycling and Households Waste Sites (RHWS) Satisfaction Survey

I wanted to take this opportunity to advise members of the results of the customer satisfaction survey of our RHWS service. The survey was conducted in September 2017, following the commencement of direct management of the sites from the start of July and involved face-to-face surveys at each of the fourteen RHWS, with a total of 3,675 respondents.

The survey found that 98.9% were either "fairly" or "very" satisfied with the service received at the site overall. Site users were particularly complimentary of site cleanliness and the helpfulness of site staff.

These results are particularly positive in view of the fact that we have only recently taken the services in-house and are a strong endorsement of our performance across this service area.

Melton Mowbray Distributor Road

Members will be aware that the County Council has been successful in its application to the Department for Transport for £49.5m funding towards construction of the Melton Mowbray Distributor Road. The success of the bid is the culmination of a substantial amount of cross team and indeed departmental work to get the result against very tight deadlines. Delivered by the Asset and Major Programmes team working closely with Strategy and Policy, Highway and Structural Engineering and

Network Data and Intelligence teams, external consultants and Melton Borough Council this is a terrific example of partnership working. The next phase of the scheme will see the submission of a planning application later this year with construction beginning in 2020.

Awards

Finally, I am pleased to advise that Environment and Transport Department has received three prestigious awards in the last month.

1. Our work on the Lubbethorpe Strategic Employment Site infrastructure has been recognised and won top prize in the Team Work category from East Midlands Institute of Civil Engineers.
2. We have been **Commended** in the Chartered Institute of Highways and Transport and Tarmac Collaboration Award 2018. Our submission was for the Medium Schemes Framework 2 which is a framework operated by the Midlands Highway Alliance with a number of contractors which allows Leicestershire and the other MHA authorities to effectively procure and deliver medium sized highway projects.
3. Finally, one of our transport modelling staff, Sonny Tolofari, has been awarded the Life Time Achievement award by Transport Modelling World 2018, the industry leader. This is a major accolade for Sonny as well as a significant endorsement of Leicestershire's transport modelling capability.

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