## AMS (HIGHWAYS) MODULE B - CONTEXT

**What...** Asset management is a best practice approach endorsed by the Government and the Audit Commission. Maintaining valuable assets essential for the economic and social health Lewisham requires integrated, pragmatic and focused investment to ensure the biggest benefit for the whole community is achieved.

Long-term investment is required to make best use of resources and ensure the right interventions are implemented at the most effective time, whether it is capital investment or reactive maintenance to ensure a safe highway, a statutory requirement.

**Why...** Lewisham currently has a population of 286,000 up 10,000 from the 2011 Census. It is the 5<sup>th</sup> most populous inner London borough. The number of households is predicted to rise from 116,548 in 2011 to 138,900 in 2021. Between 2012 and 2026, provision is being made for 17,100 new homes across the borough, while at least 66,000 m2 of additional retail and leisure space will be provided in the borough's two highest-profile town centres, Lewisham and Catford.

The 2011 census showed that 25% used car/van/motorcycle/taxi as their mode of travel to work and 11% walked or cycled compared to 35% and 9% respectively in 2001 so there is a greater reliance on public transport coupled with more people who now work from home

Spending public money must demonstrate value and be aligned to the needs of the businesses and the residential community. Ensuring the right facilities have the right level of accessibility, and are maintained to safe standards to meet the duties of the Highways Act (1980), will enable Lewisham to develop as a safe and accessible borough open for business and a great place to live.

With a long-term investment programme, Lewisham can align this work with other 'place making', strategies to maximise benefits. Better planning of maintenance works will lead to greater economies of scale, as well as, maximising the life of treatment through a reduction in the whole life cost. A typical 1m<sup>2</sup> pothole costs around £15-£50 to repair, while it costs around £21-£68/m<sup>2</sup> to resurface a road for up to a 40 years lifespan. Therefore, the move to capital investment is essential to reduce risk, reduce the cost of reactive maintenance, and minimise disruption to the road users.

*Who...* The responsibilities for the 'Context' module lie with:

Statutory duty	Asset Management
	Planning Manager/
	Asset Strategy &
	Technical Support
	Manager
Overall reporting	Asset Manager
Updating & reporting module	Asset Compliance

## Manager

**How...** Lewisham works with other LoTAG south sector boroughs through the SLHAM Consortium. Through this Consortium Lewisham works to develop a common understanding and approach to asset management to meet its particular needs.

The Consortium reviews guidance and tools developed by the Department for Transport's HMEP, UKRLG, IAM, as well as, the evolution of ISO55000, a global standard for asset management.

From the guidance and tools available, the group assesses how best to implement asset management, and then, Lewisham decides how it will develop and implement the best aspects of asset management to meet its needs.

**Reporting...** To ensure investment and outcomes remain effective, the modular AMS (Highways) provides a suite of measures to explore and demonstrate success or otherwise. From this, improvement actions can be developed, and discussed with peers at the SLHAM Consortium.

An annual 'State of the Highway' report is produced to draw together progress, performance and investment impact. The report is produced in July each year to reflect the latest asset value, and over time will move as near to the financial year end in early April as practical. This report will be reported with the R & AM Annual Business Plan to ensure integration of investment plans.

Table B1 shows the ownership and reporting across the AMS (Highways) modules to support long-term implementation, improvement and realisation of the benefits which asset management brings.

**Success Measures...** An evolving approach to managing the highway assets of Lewisham will show an improvement, and success in maintaining the Councils' highway network efficiently. This approach will be aligned with prudent investment strategies delivering demonstrable benefits to the community, through achieving performance improvement targets and maximising the benefit of

capital investment and revenue expenditure across the highway network.

To deliver success, the following activities will be essential for the efficacy and demonstrable benefit of asset management:

- An Annual Asset Management Maturity Assessment and the associated reporting to ensure progress towards the stated objectives.
- Asset Valuation for WGA to ensure the asset retains the desired value.
- Updating expenditure figures to assess the expenditure against investment strategies.
- Updating the performance measures and assessing progress against targets.

This review process needs to ensure the stated aims remain current and in-line with corporate aims including that captured in the R & AM Annual Business Plan Should the aims change, this AMS (Highways) must be revised to reflect the new aims/targets for performance and outcomes.**Further Information**:

HMEP/UKRLG – Maintaining a Vital Asset

<u>UKRLG – Highways Infrastructure Asset Management</u> <u>Guidance Document</u> ISO 55000 Asset Management Systems - BSI

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Module		Responsible	Version	Review	How	When
А	Policy & Objectives	Asset Compliance Manager	V0.3	Dec 2015	'State of the Highway' report	May 2015
В	Context	Asset Strategy & Technical Support Manager/Compliance Manager	V0.3	Dec 2015	'State of the Highway' report	May 2015
С	Asset Knowledge	Asset Strategy & Technical Support Manage/Asset Compliance Manager	V0.3	Dec 2015	Module D – Performance Management Module I – Stakeholder Engagement Module K – Valuation	Feb 2014
D	Performance Management	Commercial & Investment Manager	V0.3	Dec 2015	Performance dashboard updates and 'State of the Highway' report	May 2014
E	Funding & Expenditure	Asset Strategy & Technical Support Manager/Asset Manager	V0.3	Dec 2015	'State of the Highway' report	May 2014
F	Maintenance Strategies	Asset Strategy & Technical Support Manager/Asset Compliance Manager	V0.3	Dec 2015		
G	Investment Strategies	Asset Strategy & Technical	V0.3	Dec 2015		Ongoing

Table B1: Ownership and reporting of modules.

		Support Manager/ Asset Compliance Manager				
Н	Works Programme	Capital Programme Delivery Manager/Asset Compliance Manager	V0.3	Dec 2015	Forward works programme	Sept 2015
I	Stakeholder Engagement	Commercial & Investment Delivery Manager/Asset Management Planning Manager	V0.3	Dec 2015	'State of the Highway' report	May 2015
J	Benchmarking	Commercial & Investment Delivery Manager/Asset Compliance Manager	V0.3	Dec 2015	AMS (Highways) modules updates and 'State of the Highway' report	May 2015
К	Valuation	Commercial & Investment Delivery Manager/Asset Compliance Manager/ Asset Strategy & Technical Support Manager	V0.3	Dec 2015	WGA valuation report	Jun 2015
L	Implementation & Improvement Plan	Asset Manager	V0.3	Dec 2015	Improvement action plan	Jul 2015