

Wiltshire Highways Asset Management Policy



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Introduction

The highway network, roads, bridges and related infrastructure represents the Council's largest and most valuable public asset, with a replacement value of over £5 billion. The effective and efficient management of this infrastructure is a key factor in the ability of the Council to deliver its services.

The Wiltshire Council Business Plan 2017 – 2027 sets out the vision to create strong communities, with priorities for growing the economy, strong communities and protecting the vulnerable. As part of growing the economy it is acknowledged that it is necessary to bring the county's roads up to an acceptable state. The goal is that road infrastructure is improved and to:

- Improve asset management and the use of investment to improve the condition of Wiltshire roads (implementing our Highways Asset Management Strategy).
- Promote and further development the MyWiltshire app to improve and increase the reporting of issues.

Policy

The Highways asset Management Policy is:

Wiltshire Council is committed to adopting the principles of asset management, and will take a long term view when making maintenance and investment decisions. The asset management approach will deliver value for money and maximise the benefits for future prosperity by ensuring the right investment decisions are made. It will assist in targeting resources and managing risks associated with the statutory duties to maintain the highway infrastructure.

Consultation and Engagement

In preparing the policy the views of the public as expressed in the Wiltshire People's Voice, National Highways and Transportation surveys and other consultations, including for the Local Transport Plan, have been taken into account.

Road maintenance is a high priority for the residents and businesses in Wiltshire. The Policy was considered by the Environment Select Committee on 14th April 2015 and approved at the Cabinet meeting on 19th May 2015.

This policy is available on the Council's website and has been reviewed from time to time as necessary, previously in 2017 and is still considered to be relevant.