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Asset management supports business decisions, providing longer term financial benefits and the most effective means of planning works to minimise disruption. It is a well-established approach to infrastructure management and is being increasingly applied successfully to highways.

As part of the overall highway asset management approach the UK Roads Board, through the Asset Management subgroup, encourages the application of asset management for highway infrastructure. This includes a whole-systems approach to the embedment of current best practice as well as supporting and advising on future developments.

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1	Knowledge, skills and capability.	To support the development of highway asset management knowledge, skills and capability across the UK highway sector, including the design, materials and workmanship specification.	<p>Continue to promote HMEP asset management guidance document.</p> <p>Contribute to the development, delivery and review of HMEP asset management products e.g. input to the development of HMEP e-learning modules.</p> <p>Identify gaps in current asset management learning products for future development.</p> <p>Provide asset management input to codes of practice, including the review of WMH.</p> <p>Co-ordinate, distribute and promote national best practice.</p> <p>Influence change and drive continuous improvement.</p>	<p>Continuous</p> <p>TBC -Project Initiation Document from Atkins.</p> <p>Sept 14</p> <p>Oct 2015</p> <p>Continuous</p> <p>Continuous</p>	<p>Conferences and Networks</p> <p>Membership of steering and working groups</p> <p>Working group membership involvement</p> <p>Group Membership</p> <p>Group Membership and networks</p> <p>Group Membership</p>	<p>Ongoing via networks and conferences</p> <p>HMEP confirmed funding and Atkins appointed.</p> <p>Linked to HMEP programme</p> <p>James Bailey appointed as UKRB representative of codes review.</p> <p>Participation in networks and conferences</p> <p>Participation in networks and</p>

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						conferences
2	Public perceptions	Influence public/political perceptions to help drive the right behaviours and enable effective implementation of highway asset management.	<p>Promote and provide updates to 'Maintaining a Vital Asset'.</p> <p>Develop and promote communications for targeted local, regional and national use through appropriate media.</p> <p>Identify methods for hosting/publicising material e.g. CIHT?</p> <p>Develop new techniques and share best practice in establishing service levels and managing expectations.</p> <p>Communicate scale and nature of highway maintenance problem.</p> <p>Provide influence to associated publications e.g. ALARM.</p>	<p>April 2015</p> <p>April 2015</p> <p>April 2015</p> <p>Continuous</p> <p>Continuous</p> <p>Continuous</p>	<p>Group Membership</p> <p>Staffordshire's 'demand management pilot' with ADEPT.</p> <p>James Bailey</p> <p>Group Membership</p> <p>Group Membership</p> <p>Group Membership</p>	<p>Linked to codes review.</p> <p>Potentially include communication tools to help achieve agreed asset management service levels.</p> <p>Investigate availability of UKRLG website</p> <p>Linked to providing advice within codes review.</p> <p>Participation in networks and conferences</p> <p>Annual consultation responses.</p>

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3	Durability of design, materials, workmanship and management to improve life cycle plans.	Promote research, market development and sharing of best practice to enable durable, cost effective and sustainable highway maintenance practice to realise the full potential of highway asset management.	<p>Consider, prepare and support relevant research e.g. materials development, workmanship, condition deterioration modelling and benchmarking.</p> <p>Co-ordinated support (knowledge and skills) to associated working groups e.g. SMDS, RCMG, CIHT, HTMA.</p> <p>Provide input and support to the development of HMEP highway service design and peer-reviews; developing the right environment for innovation and value for money.</p> <p>Support/influence the activities of HAUC to minimise the impact of streetworks on highway asset life cycles.</p> <p>Promote maintainability considerations and techniques in highway infrastructure design.</p> <p>Promote flood management / drainage responsibilities of third parties.</p>	<p>Continuous</p> <p>Feb 2015</p> <p>Continuous</p> <p>Sept 2015</p> <p>Continuous</p> <p>Complete</p>	<p>Group Membership and professional networks</p> <p>Group Membership of other networks.</p> <p>Group Membership</p> <p>Group in liaison with Network Management Group.</p> <p>Group Membership</p> <p>Group Membership</p>	<p>Ongoing</p> <p>CAS – Member of CIHT AMG. Gap analysis and joint meeting with Soils and materials group – Feb 15.</p> <p>James Bailey made offer to HMEP via Steve Kent – awaiting future invitations/opportunities.</p> <p>Establish future joint meeting / agenda item.</p> <p>Ongoing</p> <p>Offer of AMG Membership support to the Transport Resilience Review (Brian Smith) via ADEPT Eng Committee</p>
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4	Funding	Make the case for adequate funding provision/models to enable effective highway asset management.	Promote government benchmarking e.g. condition data, WGA and satisfaction surveys, to promote democratic accountability for poor performance.	Continuous	Membership of group	Individual and collective (via ADEPT) response to DfT/HMEP 2014 consultation.
			Support the identification and sharing of regional, national and international best practice in highway asset management: service levels, performance management, value for money.	Continuous	Membership of group	Linked to codes review and communications
			Contribute to and monitor the implementation of the revised CIPFA Transport Infrastructure Assets Code	2015/16	Membership of group	Established membership of relevant work stream groups
			Lead and support HAMFIG and contribute to PISG to ensure the implementation of DRC accounting for highway infrastructure assets can be successfully achieved.	2015/16	Membership of group	Established membership of relevant work stream groups
			Influence future proposals for changes to the method of allocation for highway maintenance funding e.g. devolution or reward systems.	Continuous	Membership of group and networks e.g. HMEP.	Individual and collective responses to DfT consultations
			Support the exploration and information sharing of alternative and sustained future funding provision and mechanisms e.g. LHA commercial income models, retained local business rates, Single Growth Funding and user charging.	Oct 2015	Membership of group	Ongoing.

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