

**SEVENOAKS JOINT TRANSPORTATION BOARD**

**12 June 2013 at 7.00 pm**

**Conference Room, Argyle Road, Sevenoaks**

**AGENDA**

**Membership**

Chairman: Cllr. London

Vice-Chairman: Yet to be advised

**District Councillors Members**

Cllrs. Davison, Edwards-Winsor, Searles, Towell, Williamson and Underwood

**The County Councillors for the 7 County Electoral Divisions representing the Sevenoaks District:**

Brookbank, Brazier, Chard, Mrs. Crabtree, Gough, Parry and Pearman

**The representative from the Kent Association of Local Councils (non voting):**

Cllr. Robson

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### **EXEMPT ITEMS**

**(At the time of preparing this agenda there were no exempt items. During any such items which may arise the meeting is likely NOT to be open to the public.)**

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**SEVENOAKS JOINT TRANSPORTATION BOARD**

Minutes of the meeting held on 13 March 2013 commencing at 7.00 pm

Present: Cllr. Parry (Chairman)(Chairman)

Cllr London (James) (Vice Chairman)

Cllrs. Mrs. Davison, Searles, Towell, Underwood, Brookbank, Chard, Gough, Lake, and (John) London

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. Edwards-Winsor and Williamson

Cllrs. Dickins and Grint were also present.

30. Minutes

Resolved: That the Minutes of the meeting of the Sevenoaks Joint Transportation Board held on 12 December 2012 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record subject to the resolution at Minute 27 being inserted two paragraphs higher.

31. Declarations of interest

No new declarations were made.

32. Matters Arising/Update (Including Actions from Previous Meetings)

With reference to Action 2, SDC Councillor Mrs Davison reported that she had not been consulted on the draft Bat and Ball report before submission on the agenda. KCC Councillor Chard confirmed that he had. The Chairman, on behalf of the KCC Officers, expressed his apologies for this oversight.

The District Manager (Sevenoaks) KCC undertook to investigate when the anti-ram replacement bollards would be installed at Cold Arbor Road (Action 4).

In response to questions, the KCC Strategic Transport and Development Planner for Sevenoaks advised that the traffic signal upgrade had been placed on the 2013/14 programme of works.

33. Network Rail

Mr. Chris Curtis, Senior Programme Manager, Network Rail Kent gave a short presentation on the improvement works at London Bridge Rail Station. The Chairman requested that he supply a brief summary of the presentation which is detailed below:

London Bridge

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Network Rail is to spend approximately £2bn completely rebuilding London Bridge station, including all the approach tracks, as part of the Thameslink Programme.

Why?

- a) to increase the number of trains that are able to run to and through London Bridge and the Thameslink core route at peak times
- b) building more through lines and platforms such that all trains routed via London Bridge will call there (currently approx 14% of the morning peak service running through London Bridge does not call)
- c) two of these new lines / platforms will be exclusively for Thameslink services, offering new journey opportunities from across South London, Sussex and Kent through the Thameslink route to Blackfriars, Farringdon, St Pancras and destinations north of London - either on a direct train or with one simple change at London Bridge.
- d) segregate the service flows such that, for example, trains to the Thameslink route are operated completely independently from the Charing Cross route - this will reduce congestion and knock-on delays
- e) considerably increase and improve the passenger facilities at London Bridge, including the construction of what will be the largest passenger concourse in the UK.

How?

The project is well underway, being roughly 20% through a six year programme. To date much of the work has been out of sight, beneath the viaduct that London Bridge sits on, or up on the roof. The most visible part has been the early construction of a new viaduct through Borough Market, a particularly sensitive location.

Going forward, the entire station will be demolished then rebuilt in stages. New bridges and flyovers will be built east and west of the station, and the rail infrastructure (tracks and signalling) on the approaches will be replaced at the same time.

To do this, parts of the station out of use for up to 18 months at a time while it is rebuilt. The work will be done largely without significant alterations to train services; however there will be a handful of occasions at Christmas and Summer holiday periods when larger parts of the station will have to close for a few working days. On these occasions some services will not run to London Bridge, and these will be advertised up to a year in advance so that passengers can plan alternative routes. From the year 2015, there will also be extended periods where certain services will pass through London Bridge without calling, again this will be advertised up to a year before it happens, and alternatives publicised.

The Challenge:

The London Bridge rebuild is the single largest project ever undertaken on the 'live' railway in this country. It is a huge logistical exercise in a constrained worksite, and it will be done for the most part whilst train services are running normally. Broadly speaking it

is comparable to trying to rebuild two Wembley stadiums, in central London, whilst trying to hold football matches at each one twice a day. By far the biggest challenge is building this in such a way that our customers don't notice - until it is finished of course!

It is a huge challenge, and there is going to be much hard work over the next 5 years or so. However the end result will be much improved train services, and a station that will be amongst the best - probably THE best - in the world.

#### TRAFFIC AND ADVERSE WEATHER CONDITIONS - 11TH/12TH MARCH 2013

The Director of Kent Highways addressed the Board at the Chairman's request and assured Members that gritting had been carried out. It had been a Kent wide problem. The same amount of salt and grit had been used as six weeks previously when there had been no issues, however it had not worked on this occasion due to the cumulative effect of weight of traffic, type of snow, the M2 being closed and the strong winds. There would be an in depth review. It was possible that the use of salt needed to be revisited and options such as just gritting or using sand be looked into as it was visible and provided traction. The Board expressed their appreciation to the Director of Kent Highways and his staff for all their hard work.

#### 34. Badgers Mount Residents Association - Update Report

The KCC Traffic Engineer presented the report updating Members on progress. A more detailed report would be presented to a future meeting. The Local County Councillor thanked him for all his work and was pleased it was going in a positive direction. The Chairman advised that given the level of funding potentially available improvements would only be modest.

Resolved: That the report be noted and the actions taken, endorsed.

#### 35. Childsbridge Lane Speed and Road Layout

An email received from the Clerk to Kemsing Parish Council that had been circulated prior to the meeting, was also tabled for information. The local County Councillor pressed for a meeting to be held with the campaign group, the two parish councils, Police and Network Rail. There were two main issues: pedestrian safety on the bridge; and speed limit.

Resolved: That

- a) and the KCC Traffic Engineer co-ordinate a meeting as soon as possible; and
- b) the report be noted.

#### 36. Bat and Ball Junction

The Strategic Transport and Development Planner for Sevenoaks (KCC) presented the report outlining the improvement proposals. A local County Member commented that he

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was pleased to see resurfacing to the east but it also needed to be carried out to the west of the junction.

*Action 1: The KCC Strategic Transport and Development Planner for Sevenoaks to liaise with the Traffic Manager (KCC) about further resurfacing.*

The Strategic Transport and Development Planner for Sevenoaks (KCC) confirmed when questioned that the Sainsbury's s. 106 money did not have a time limit on expenditure, and must be used for improvements to the Bat and Ball junction. A Member recommended advised caution on allocating the remaining money to other initiatives, advising that it would be a good idea to wait and see whether these improvements cost more than expected or gave light to further possible issues.

It was MOVED by County Cllr. Brazier and was duly seconded by County Cllr. John London that the remaining money be set aside for cycle improvements. He advised that he would like a commitment shown and Sevenoaks Cycle Forum involved. Officers advised that a cycle route that stopped short of the junction would require a deed of variation as the s. 106 money applied to the Bat and Ball junction only. In light of this and the ensuing discussion, County Cllr. Brazier and County Cllr. London agreed to alter the motion, and it was

Resolved: That

- 1) Officers proceed with the implementation of improvement proposals as described within the report; and
- 2) Officers investigate whether the money could be used on implementing Route 6 of the the District Cycle Strategy or cycle improvements; how it could be used; and whether it was a suitable use of the funding.

### 37. Agreement and Governance Report

Members considered the report which set out the proposed updated Joint Transportation Agreement.

Resolved: That the recommendations within the KCC Cabinet Committee report, be endorsed.

### 38. Street Lighting Report

The Director of Kent Highways presented the report which provided details of KCC's plan for safe and sensible street lighting. Members were asked to consider: each site selected for the trial switch off of surplus lights and suggest any local information that may help officers to determine how to proceed with each location; to consider the exclusion criteria used for the Partnight Lighting initiative; and suggest any changes and their views sought on the hours of switch off for Part-night Lighting.

Officers assured the Board that every site had been risk assessed and an independent safety audit carried out, and that in some places there may be highway mitigating

measures that could be undertaken such as 'cats eyes' to ensure the area was no less safe. Members discussed and made the following points:

- Otford Road, Sevenoaks north of Sainsburys partnight lighting preferred
- B258, top of Dartford Road, row of cottages partnight lighting preferred
- Ash, removal of lighting columns that have never been switched on
- Button Street approaching Swanley Village be left
- Polehill / Orpington Bypass concern that pedestrian crossing lights do not work, a suggestion this be left for the moment

Resolved: That subject to the comments made above the proposals contained within the report, be agreed.

A Member queried why 'cats eyes' were not lasting as well as they had done in the past, especially in relation to Ide Hill Road. Members were advised that there were various types of cats eyes and if they were aware of any not working please could they let Officers know as there were mixed results with the different types.

*Action 2: 'Cats eyes' on Ide Hill Road to be investigated.*

THE MEETING WAS CONCLUDED AT 8.18 PM

CHAIRMAN

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**ACTION SHEET – JUNE 2013**

**ONGOING/ PENDING ACTIONS**

	<b>Action date</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Status and last updated</b>	<b>Contact Officer</b>
1.	14.12.11	<p><u>Sevenoaks Pedestrian Guardrailing Assessment</u></p> <p>(Minute 14 (b)) consideration of Sites 2 and 4 be deferred until the next meeting of the Board.</p>	To be deferred for the future meeting	<p>Julian Cook</p> <p>0300 333 5539</p>
2.	13.03.13	<p><u>Bat &amp; Ball</u></p> <p>(Minute 36) The KCC Strategic Transport and Development Planner for Sevenoaks to liaise with the Traffic Manager (KCC) about further resurfacing.</p>	There will be a further update for the future meeting if the scheme has progressed.	<p>Julian Cook</p> <p>0300 333 5539</p>
3.	13.03.13	<p><u>Street Lighting Report</u></p> <p>(Minute 38) Cats eyes' on Ide Hill Road to be investigated.</p>	Continue to monitor	<p>Julian Cook</p> <p>0300 333 5539</p>
4.	13.03.13	Item raised by Cllr. Underwood at the last meeting - Speed Limit London road, Swanley	Mr Brookbank has raised this matter. No further information has been received from Kent Police. No highway defects were found to be contributory factors in the RTC.	<p>Steven Noad</p> <p>0300 333 5539</p>

5.	13.03.13	Badgers Mount Residents Association	County Cllr. Roger Gough met with the BMRA on 12 <sup>th</sup> April to discuss proposals, please see Highway Improvement Appendix A for current progress.	Steven Noad 0300 333 5539
6.	13.03.13	Childsbridge Lane Bridge - Speed and Road Layout	Steven Noad met with both parishes and the local campaign group on 9 <sup>th</sup> May to discuss ways forward. Mr Chard has provided indication that he may fund a feasibility study from his discretionary Member Highway Funds.	Steven Noad 0300 333 5539

## WANT SLOWER TRAFFIC THROUGH BRASTED?

**Please sign our PETITION to curb traffic problems in Brasted and along the A25  
(from Westerham to Riverhead)**

We, the undersigned, ask that the Joint Transportation Board of Sevenoaks District Council:

1. Install a **pedestrian crossing** between the White Hart pub and the Brasted convenience store and just before or just after Church Road to enable residents (especially those with children) to cross safely to go to Brasted recreation ground, allotments and Pavilion.
2. Install a **speed camera** outside the White Hart pub in Brasted.
3. Install **two interactive signs** at either end of the village to **remind traffic to slow down** to 30 mph **before - not after - entering the village.**

We also ask the Joint Transportation Board to consider the following problems associated with the A25 running from Chevening, through Sundridge and Brasted to Westerham:-

- **Traffic speed:** Cars, buses, 40 tonne lorries, all thunder through the villages at speeds well over 30mph. **For the safety of our residents,** we want more speed warning signs, a speed camera outside the White Hart pub in Brasted, and reminders that we are a Conservation Area, an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and residential.
- **Traffic volume:** This is on the increase. It causes **damage and congestion to our roads.** We would like to prevent cars taking a short-cut on the A25 to avoid the M25 or A21. A lot of traffic on the A25 should not be there. We want heavy vehicles re-routed and /or prevented from coming onto the A25 from the M25 and A21.
- **Air pollution:** Levels of **nitrogen dioxide** are in excess of national air quality objectives. Vehicle exhaust fumes are the primary contributors to this problem.
- **Noise pollution:** The constant traffic noise causes stress to numerous Brasted residents. We want weight restrictions and an investigation to see if new rubber roads currently being installed in England which reduce noise by 25% could be installed here in Brasted.
- **Damage to property:** Many buildings, including listed buildings and walls, are subjected to **structural damage** caused by the volume of large vehicles shaking the foundations. Traffic that damages listed buildings should be re-routed or not allowed to leave the M25/A21.
- **Danger to residents:** There have been some **near misses** and several **car crashes.** It is near impossible at times to cross the road from pub to village shop in Brasted and impossible to cross the road safely to take children to the village recreation ground. We want two new zebra crossings at either end of the village to enable our young or old to cross the road safely.

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**REVIEW OF ON-STREET PARKING CHANGES – KNOCKHOLT STATION**

**Sevenoaks Joint Transportation Board – 12 June 2013**

Report of the: Chief Executive Designate

Status: For information

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**Executive Summary:** This report reviews the changes to on-street parking arrangements near to Knockholt Station in Halstead that were brought in to effect in October 2011.

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**This report supports the Key Aim** of safer communities and the effective and efficient use of resources.

**Portfolio Holder** Cllr. Hogarth

**Head of Service** Head of Environmental and Operational Services – Mr. Richard Wilson

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**Recommendation:** It be NOTED that the changes to parking arrangements have had a beneficial effect on traffic movements along London Road, and congestion outside the station has been dramatically reduced.

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**Introduction**

1. The District Council introduced new parking restrictions and controls near to Knockholt station in the parish of Halstead following reports of a number of parking and safety concerns.
2. The aims of the parking changes were;
  - 2.1. to improve safety at junctions close to Knockholt station
  - 2.2. to remove the problem of the obstruction of the cycle lanes
  - 2.3. to prevent the obstruction of bus stop facilities
  - 2.4. to allow effective management of commuter parking by the introduction of parking charges
3. The proposals were subject to extensive public consultations which were reported to the Board on 16<sup>th</sup> March 2009 and 15<sup>th</sup> June 2011.

**Analysis of the effect of the changes**

4. The restrictions that were introduced have had a significant effect on the parking arrangements in London Road, close to the entrance to Knockholt station. Prior

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incidents of parking on both sides of the road with the associated obstruction and congestion, no longer occur. Also, buses have been able to use the bus stops near the station.

The Operations Manager of Arriva (one of the bus companies that operates in the area has commented *"I am pleased to report that there have been significant improvements in the free flow of buses in this area. The roads are clear including the bus stops. One improvement that has had the desired effect!"*

5. Parking around the junctions of Watercroft Road, Wheatsheaf Hill, Cadlocks Hill, Broke Hill golf club and the station access road has also been effectively prevented.
6. Parking in the advisory cycle lane on the southwest side of the road has now stopped, and has been greatly reduced on the northeastern side of the road.
7. The number of cars that park to use Knockholt station has been significantly reduced from up to 150 cars a day to approximately 70 to 80, some drivers choosing to park further along the main road rather than in the parking spaces provided.
8. This recognizes that a proportion of those who previously commuted from Knockholt station were choosing to do so on economic grounds as parking had previously been free. Those commuters are now choosing to use stations elsewhere along the rail line.
9. Of the 105 pay and display parking spaces provided adjacent the station, on average 54 have been used on weekdays since the scheme was implemented, giving a utilisation rate of 51%. The charges do not apply on Saturdays and Sundays. Income from parking charges for year 2012/13 totalled £38,705. Of ticket purchases, 26% were made by pay-by-phone.
10. The parking places provided seem to operate well. There is always parking availability within the spaces provided. It could be argued that this is a result of the scheme providing too many spaces, but it results in a facility that is available to be used. No comments have been received in relation to the parking facilities or the parking charges in operation.
11. There were comments about overhanging vegetation from trees on the property boundary line on the northwest side of the station access. To address this the District Council arranged for the vegetation that extended over the public highway to be trimmed back.
12. There was a comment from the operators of the waste transfer station in the Knockholt station car park that the pay and display machine to the immediate right of the station exit (for emerging traffic) could mask on-coming traffic. This was assessed and was only thought to be a minor issue for some designs of skip lorry – other lorries with different driving positions were not experiencing problems, and the issue could be addressed by the drivers moving slightly further forward to improve their view at the junction.

13. As previously mentioned, some parking had displaced to the southeastern end of the restrictions, between the end of the lines in Old London Road and Badgers Rise. This was causing concern for residents of Badgers Rise. To address this, the District Council promoted new parking restrictions for that area. These were subject to a report to the Board on 12<sup>th</sup> September 2012, and were introduced on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2013.
14. The further restrictions introduced on Old London Road and in Badgers Rise have provided junction protection, have moved parking that was occurring along the main road to nearer the station (to an area with no fronting properties) and have prevented all-day on-street parking in Badgers Rise, in line with the requests from residents.

### **Recommendation**

15. Accordingly it is recommended that the Board note the changes to parking arrangements and that no further changes are required.

### **Key Implications**

#### Financial

16. There are no financial implications within this report.

#### Community impact and outcomes

17. The changes have addressed significant parking, congestion and safety issues.

#### Legal, Human Rights, etc

18. There are no legal issues or implications within this report.

#### Equality Impacts

19. There are no equality issues associated with this report.

#### **Risk Assessment Statement**

20. There are no proposals within this report and no associated risk.

### **Sources of Information:**

**Contact Officer(s):** Andy Bracey Ext.7323

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE DESIGNATE**

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**To:** Sevenoaks Joint Transportation Board  
**By:** Tim Read, Head of Transportation  
**Date:** 12 June 2013  
**Subject:** Highway Improvement Scheme Progress Report  
**Classification:** Information only

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**Summary:** Recommendations: That Members NOTE the progress of programmed highway improvements.

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**Executive Summary:** This report describes the progress to date and anticipated progress over the next three months of all programmed highway improvements and those schemes that are expected to be included in Kent County Council's 2012-3 Capital Programme.

**This report supports the Key aims of:** Reducing speed, encouraging safer driving and tackling know speeding crash hotspots. Also improving pedestrian safety, including measures to improve access for people with disabilities as indicated in the Sevenoaks Community Plan.

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#### **Appendices**

- A. Highway Improvement Schemes.
- B. Member Highway Funded Schemes.

#### **Key Implications**

Financial; Resource (non-financial; Legal etc.; Value for Money

1. Non for Sevenoaks District Council or Kent County Council as a result of this report.

#### **Risk Assessment Statement**

2. None

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**Contact officer:** Steven Noad/Laura Squires  
Tel: 08458 247800

## Appendix A – Highway Improvement Programme: Sevenoaks District 2013-14

Location	Description of works	Current progress	Anticipated Actions for next 3 months prior to JTB	Original allocation 2013-14	Forecast out-turn 2013-14	Officer(s)
B2173 Bartholomew Way roundabout junction with B258 Swanley Lane, Swanley	Crash remedial measures; improvement measures at roundabout	Jacobs completed outline designs, implementation in 2013/14	Works cost estimates finalised, service surveys underway. Results of safety audit awaited	£175K	£175K	Darren Hickman Steven Noad
A224 Orpington by-pass, Badgers Mount	Crash remedial measures; Speed limit, traffic islands, signs and road markings	Speed limit reduction approved, outline scope identified with local Member and BMRA group	Identify extends for speed limit reduction with police. Produce outline designs and obtain likely programme dates	£10K	£10K	Darren Hickman Steven Noad
Old London Road, Badgers Mount	Crash remedial measures; traffic islands, signs and road markings	Outline scope identified with local Member and BMRA group	Design scheme produce outline, obtain likely programme dates	£12.5K	£12.5K	Darren Hickman Steven Noad

**Appendix A – Highway Improvement Programme: Sevenoaks District 2013-14**

Location	Description of works	Current progress	Anticipated Actions for next 3 months prior to JTB	Original allocation 2013-14	Forecast out-turn 2013-14	Officer(s)
Sevenoaks High Street junction with A224 London Road	Crash remedial measures; junction improvements & enhancements	Site identified as CRM site by analysis of Crash data	Produce outline design for consultation with local Members	£20K	£20K	Darren Hickman Steven Noad
A25 Bradbourne Vale Road	Improved pedestrian facilities	Location identified for improvements alongside resurfacing and Bat & Ball projects	Produce outline design for consultation with local Members	£45K	£45K	Darren Hickman Steven Noad
Sevenoaks High Street junctions with Pembroke Road & Suffolk Way	Addition of pedestrian facilities to traffic signals	Scheme approved for construction by JTB	Finalise funding and make available to ITS team to carry out work in current financial year	£80K	£116K	Chad Nwanosike

**Appendix A – Highway Improvement Programme: Sevenoaks District 2013-14**

Location	Description of works	Current progress	Anticipated Actions for next 3 months prior to JTB	Original allocation 2013-14	Forecast out-turn 2013-14	Officer(s)
Bat & Ball junction, Sevenoaks (A25/A225)	Improvements to junction	Concept design complete, detailed designs underway. Results of safety audit awaited	Progress detailed design, including consultation. Investigating spend of remaining £91K	£320K	£320K	Chad Nwanosike

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**Appendix B Member Highway Fund programme update for Sevenoaks District.**

The following schemes are those which outstanding from the previous financial year. This information is up to date as of 15<sup>th</sup> May 2013.

More detail on the schemes below can be found online on the Kent Member Highway Fund database. For any further information please liaise with the Member Highway Fund Officer.

**David Brazier – Sevenoaks North East**

Scheme	CSM	Cost	Status
<b><i>Outstanding 2012/13 schemes</i></b>			
<b>West Kingsdown – School Wig Wags</b>	16900704	£4,750	Ongoing

**Peter Lake – Sevenoaks South**

Scheme	CSM	Cost	Status
<b><i>Outstanding 2012/13 schemes</i></b>			
<b>Hildenborough Road, Leigh - road safety improvements Laundry Cottages area</b>	13000736	£7,500	Ongoing
<b>Fordcombe to Penshurst Village - dual legend illuminating speed sign</b>	16900039	£4,500	Ongoing
<b>Four Elms Cross Roads - Road safety improvements.</b>	12400973	£3,375	Ongoing

**Richard Parry – Sevenoaks West**

Scheme	CSM	Cost	Status
<b><i>Outstanding 2012/13 schemes</i></b>			
<b>Station Road, Halstead - request for interactive sign</b>	10005235	£4,000	Ongoing
<b>Knockholt Road, Halstead - new interactive sign</b>	16900384	£4,500	Ongoing
<b>Main Road, Crockham Hill - Provide a new interactive speed sign</b>	16900383	£4,400	Ongoing
<b>Kent Hatch Road, Crockham Hill - Provide a new interactive dual legend sign unit</b>	16900150	£5,500	Ongoing
<b>Crockham Hill - upgrade school amber flashing Wig-Wag signals</b>	16900151	£3,500	Ongoing

**Robert Brookbank - Swanley**

Scheme	CSM	Cost	Status
<b><i>Outstanding 2012/13 Schemes</i></b>			
<b>Main Road/Top Dartford Road, Hextable - request to look at signage for Hextable</b>	10004709	£10,735	Ongoing

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### Roger Gough – Darent Valley

<b>Scheme</b>	<b>CSM</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Status</b>
<b><i>Outstanding 2012/13 schemes</i></b>			
<b>Cray Road, Crockenhill</b> - request for change of priority for junction	10004164	£18,773	Ongoing
<b>Horton Kirby</b> - Provide a new interactive speed sign in the school area	16900154	£5,400	Ongoing



**To:** Sevenoaks Joint Transportation Board  
**By:** KCC Highways and Transportation  
**Date:** 5<sup>th</sup> June 2013  
**Subject:** Highway Works Programme 2013/14

**Classification:** Information Only

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Summary: This report updates Members on the identified schemes approved for construction in 2013/14

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## 1. Introduction

This report provides an update and summarises schemes that have been programmed for delivery in 2013/14

**Footway and Carriageway Improvement Schemes** – see Appendix A

**Drainage Repairs & Improvements** – see Appendix B

**Street Lighting** – see Appendix C

**Traffic Systems** – see Appendix D

## Conclusion

1. This report is for Members information.

## Contact Officers:

The following contact officers can be contacted on **0845 8247 800**

Carol Valentine	Highway Manager (West)
Julian Cook	Sevenoaks District Manager
Sue Kinsella	Street Lighting Manager
Neil Tree	Carriageway Surface Treatment
Russell Boorman	Carriageway Machine Surfacing
Wendy Bousted	Footway Improvement Team Leader
Katie Lewis	Drainage Manager
Toby Butler	Intelligent Transport Systems Manager

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### Appendix A – Footway and Carriageway Improvement Schemes

The delivery of these schemes is weather dependent; should it prove not possible to carry out these works on the planned dates, new dates will be arranged and the residents will be informed by a letter drop to their homes.

<b>Surface Treatments - Contact Officer Neil Tree</b>			
<b>Micro Asphalt Schemes</b>			
<b>Road Name</b>	<b>Parish</b>	<b>Extent of Works</b>	<b>Current Status</b>
Stones Cross Rd	Crockenhill	From its junction with the B258 to its junction with Green Court Road	Works programmed to start 13/5/13
White Post Hill	Farningham	Whole length	Works Completed
Beesfield Lane	Farningham	From its junction with the A225 Eynsford Road to its junction with Donkey Lane	Works Completed
Church Road	Sundridge	100m North of school to its junction with New Road	Works Completed
St. Botolph'S Road (Service Road)	Sevenoaks	From A225 Dartford Road Road to A225 Dartford Road Road	Works programmed to start 30/08/2013
Birchin Cross Road	Shoreham	From its junction with Clarkes Green Road to its junction with Romney Street	Works programmed to start 31/08/2013
Chelsfield Lane	Shoreham	From its junction with Shacklands Road to its junction with Shoreham Lane	Works programmed to start 02/09/2013
Spout Lane	Westerham	From its junction with B2026 Main Road to Coakham Farm	Works programmed to start 04/09/2013
Honeypot Lane	Edenbridge	From stream o/s Little Browns Farm to east side of double bends	Works programmed to start 06/09/2013
Buckhurst Lane	Cowden	From its junction with Cow Lane to its junction with Cowden Pound Road	Works programmed to start 09/09/2013
Station Road	Cowden	From its junction with B2026 Hartfield Road to its junction with Cow Lane	Works programmed to start 10/09/2013
Tonbridge Road	Chiddingstone	From its junction with Camp Hill to 300m west of Chested Lane	Works programmed to start 10/07/2013
Scabharbour Road	Leigh	From Gaza Trading Estate to Priory Farm	Works programmed to start 12/07/2013



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Green Lane	Hever	From Toys Hill to "Chittenden" bend	Works programmed to start 12/07/2013
Billet Hill	Fawkham	Whole length	Completed
<b>Surface Dressing Schemes – Contact Officer Mr Neil Tree</b>			
<b>Road Name</b>	<b>Parish</b>	<b>Extent of Works</b>	<b>Current Status</b>
Wilson Lane	South Darenth	From Rabbits Road to Gill's Road	Works programmed to start 13/05/2013
Cotmans Ash Lane	Kemsing	From Clarkes Green Road to Pilgrims Way	Works programmed to start 13/05/2013
Scallops	Ide Hill	From Ide Hill Road to Winkhurst Green Road	Works programmed to start 13/05/2013
Blueberry Lane	Knockholt	From Main Road to Pound Road	Works programmed to start 13/05/2013
South Brook Lane	Brasted	From Green Lane to Toys Hill	Works programmed to start 13/05/2013
St. Julians Road	Sevenoaks Weald	From A225 London Road to Fawke Wood Road	Works programmed to start 14/05/2013
Hale Oak Road	Chiddingstone	From B2027 to Bowzell Road	Works programmed to start 14/05/2013
<b>Machine Resurfacing – Contact Officer Russell Boorman</b>			
<b>Road Name</b>	<b>Parish</b>	<b>Extent of Works</b>	<b>Current Status</b>
A25 - The Square	Sevenoaks	From its junction with the A224 to its junction with Worships Hill	Completed
Bridle Road	Seal	Whole length	Completed
School Lane	Seal	Whole length	Completed
B2027 - Clinton Lane	Hever	Network Rail entrance - bend south of How Green Lane	Completed

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Shurlock Avenue	Swanley	From junction with London Road for 80m	Completed
High Street/Bartholomew Way	Swanley	High Street R/about to Swanley Lane r/about (including circulatories)	Completed
A25 Seal Road	Sevenoaks	From Seal Hollow Road to A225 Bat and Ball	Completed
Hartfield Road Edenbridge	Edenbridge	o/s Old Barn Farm	Works programmed to start 3/06/2013 to 7/06/2013
Ash Road	Fawkham	West of Copse Side to South of Quakers Close	Works to be programmed for Summer/Autumn 2013
Maidstone Road	Swanley	Crescent Gardens to North of Brook Road	Works to be programmed for Summer/Autumn 2013
Spring Hill	Penshurst	South of Sandfield Road S/B approach to bridge over River Eden	Works to be programmed for Summer/Autumn 2013
A25 Bradbourne Vale Road	Seal	St Johns Hill to Bradbourne Road	Works to be programmed for Summer/Autumn 2013

### Footway Improvement - *Contact Officer Wendy Boustead*

Road Name	Parish	Extent and Description of Works	Current Status
Tudor Crescent	Otford	Whole length – Replacement of concrete slabs with asphalt surface	Completed
High Street	Sevenoaks	From outside of no.96 High street to outside of no. 44 – Replacement of concrete paving slabs with new modular paving as agreed with the Conservation Officer	Completed
Northview	Swanley	From its junction with Sycamore Drive to its junction with The Spinney – Replacement of existing asphalt surface and renewal of kerbs where required	Nov 2013 - Jan 2014
Sycamore Drive	Swanley	From its junction with Bartholomew Way to its junction with Northview – Replacement of existing	Jan - March 2014



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		asphalt surface and renewal of kerbs where required	
Brattlewood	Sevenoaks	From its junction with Garth Road to its junction with Beechmont Road - Replacement of existing asphalt surface and renewal of kerbs where required	Aug - Oct 2013
Garth Road	Sevenoaks	From its junction with The Rise to its junction with Weald Road - Replacement of existing asphalt surface and renewal of kerbs where required	Jan - Feb 2014
The Rise	Sevenoaks	From its junction with Tonbridge Road to its junction with Letter Box Lane - Replacement of existing asphalt surface and renewal of kerbs where required	Oct - Dec 2013
White Hart Wood	Sevenoaks	From its junction with The Rise to its junction with Brattlewood - Replacement of existing asphalt surface and renewal of kerbs where required	Oct - Dec 2013

### Appendix B – Drainage Repairs & Improvements

<b>Drainage Repairs &amp; Improvements - Contact Officer Katie Lewis</b>			
Road Name	Parish	Description of Works	Current Status
Eynsford Road	Crockenhill	Installation of a new soakaway and diversion of the existing drainage system	Scheme identified and being designed
Pease Hill	Ash	Installation of a new soakaway and connection into the existing system	Scheme identified and being designed
Knockholt Road	Halstead	Installation of a new soakaway and connection into the existing system	Works completed 9 May 2013
Bunkers Hill	Ash Cum Ridley	Installation of a habitat pond	Works programmed to start 10 June 2013

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### Appendix C – Street Lighting

Following Structural testing, this year's column replacement budget will be used to replace columns deemed as high risk.

<b>Street Lighting Column Replacement – Contact Officer Sue Kinsella</b>			
<b>Road Name</b>	<b>Column Ref</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Status</b>
ALEXANDRA CLOSE	IAAF003	OPP 6 RHS	Completed
ARCHER WAY	IAAI001	O/S 1	Columns installed and in process of being connected
ARCHER WAY	IAAI005	O/S 16	Columns installed and in process of being connected
ARCHER WAY	IAAI006	ADJ 13	Columns installed and in process of being connected
ARCHER WAY	IAAI007	O/S 31/33	Columns installed and in process of being connected
ARCHER WAY	IAAI015	O/S 24	Columns installed and in process of being connected
ARCHER WAY	IAAI002	O/S 5	Columns installed and in process of being connected
ARCHER WAY	IAAI003	O/S 7	Columns installed and in process of being connected
ARCHER WAY	IAAI004	O/S 15	Columns installed and in process of being connected
ARCHER WAY	IAAI008	O/S 43	Columns installed and in process of being connected
ARCHER WAY	IAAI009	O/S 55	Columns installed and in process of being connected
ARCHER WAY	IAAI010	O/S 61	Columns installed and in process of being connected
ARCHER WAY	IAAI011	O/S 65	Columns installed and in process of being connected
ARCHER WAY	IAAI012	O/S 69/71	Columns installed and in process of being connected
ARCHER WAY	IAAI013	O/S 77	Columns installed and in process of being connected
ARCHER WAY	IAAI014	O/S 35	Columns installed and in process of being connected
ARCHER WAY	IAAI016	O/S 93	Columns installed and in process of being connected
ARCHER WAY	IAAI017	OPP J/W DAHLIA DRIVE	Columns installed and in process of being connected



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ARCHER WAY	IAAI018	O/S 105	Columns installed and in process of being connected
ARCHER WAY	IAAI019	O/S 36	Columns installed and in process of being connected
ARCHER WAY	IAAI020	R/O 42	Columns installed and in process of being connected
ARCHER WAY	IAAI021	O/S 42	Columns installed and in process of being connected
ARCHER WAY	IAAI023	O/S 109	Columns installed and in process of being connected
ARCHER WAY	IAAI024	O/S 115	Columns installed and in process of being connected
ARCHER WAY	IAAI025	O/S 127	Columns installed and in process of being connected
ARCHER WAY	IAAI026	O/S 140	Columns installed and in process of being connected
ARCHER WAY	IAAI027	O/S 128	Columns installed and in process of being connected
ARCHER WAY	IAAI028	OPP 74/76	Columns installed and in process of being connected
ARCHER WAY	IAAI029	ADJ 80/82	Columns installed and in process of being connected
ARCHER WAY	IAAI030	O/S 86	Columns installed and in process of being connected
BRADBOURNE VALE ROAD	IBCV056	ADJ J/W ST JOHNS HILL	Replacement by end of July 2013
CHARTWAY	ICBN001	OPP S/O 1	Completed
CONIFER WAY	ICEF027	OPP S/O 122	Completed
EVEREST PLACE	IEAU003	O/S 15	Completed
FARNINGHAM HILL ROAD	IFCF037	OPP VAUXHALL GARAGE	Completed
HEWETT PLACE	IHBS003	F/P TO ST MARYS RD	Replacement by end of July 2013
HEWETT PLACE	IHBS006	F/P TO LILAC GARDENS	Replacement by end of July 2013
HIGH STREET	IHCF016	O/S 51	Replacement by end of July 2013
KINGSWOOD AVENUE	IKAI002	OPP CHRIST CHURCH CENTRE	Replacement by end of July 2013
LONDON ROAD	ILCO812	J/W SOUTH PARK	Replacement by end of July 2013

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LONDON ROAD	ILCO813	OPP ADJ J/W SOUTH PARK	Replacement by end of July 2013
NORTHVIEW	INAV034	O/S SWAN COURT	Replacement by end of July 2013
NORTHVIEW	INAV053	S/O 19	Replacement by end of July 2013
OAKDENE ROAD	IOAE014	O/S 63 BRADBOURNE VALE RD	Replacement by end of July 2013
OAKDENE ROAD	IOAE016	O/S 65 BRADBOURNE VALE RD	Replacement by end of July 2013
ROCKDALE ROAD	IRBA004	F/P S/O 2	Completed
RUSSETT WAY	IRBU022	S/O 1 ASPEN CLOSE	Replacement by end of July 2013
SEAL HOLLOW ROAD	ISBB801	S/O 2 PLYMOUTH DRIVE	Replacement by end of July 2013
SEAL HOLLOW ROAD	ISBB802	S/O Seveonoaks House	Replacement by end of July 2013
HIGH STREET	IHCG803	J/W THE DRIVE	Replacement by end of July 2013
HIGH STREET	IHCG804	J/W THE DRIVE	Replacement by end of July 2013
SEAL ROAD	ISBC008A	OPP 54/56	Replacement by end of July 2013
SHIP LANE	ISBN002	ADJ no 6	Completed
STATION ROAD	ISEQ022	ADJ RAILWAY BRIDGE	Completed
STATION ROAD	ISEQ027	ADJ J/W FIRCREFT WAY	Completed
SYCAMORE DRIVE	ISFW013	S/O 57	Replacement by end of July 2013
VALLEY DRIVE	IVAA001	O/S 12/13	Completed
VALLEY DRIVE	IVAA002	O/S 9	Completed
VALLEY DRIVE	IVAA003	ADJ NO 1	Completed
VALLEY DRIVE	IVAA004	O/S 11/12	Completed
WAYLANDS	IWAL008	O/S 9	Replacement by end of July 2013
WAYLANDS	IWAL014	S/O 68	Replacement by end of July 2013



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WESTERHAM ROAD	IWBO007	OPP 63	Replacement by end of July 2013
WORSHIPS HILL	IWCY005	OPP ADJ J/W CRANMER ROAD	Replacement by end of July 2013
WORSHIPS HILL	IWCY008	ADJ 27	Replacement by end of July 2013
ADDITIONAL WORKS			
Road Name	Column Ref	Asset	Status
ASH ROAD, HARLTEY	IABA801	BELISHA BEACON	Replacement by end of July 2013 - Belisha Beacon Posts to allow road lanterns to be fitted instead of flood lights that are vulnerable to vandal damage
ASH ROAD, HARTLEY	IABA802	BELISHA BEACON	
LONDON ROAD, SEVENOAKS	ILCO801	BELISHA BEACON	Replacement by end of June 2013 - being upgraded to combined Belisha Beacon and Street Lighting Units to improve lighting at crossing.
LONDON ROAD, SEVENOAKS	ILCO802	BELISHA BEACON	
LONDON ROAD, WESTERHAM	ILBS801	BELISHA BEACON	
LONDON ROAD, WESTERHAM	ILBS802	BELISHA BEACON	

### Appendix D – Traffic Systems

There is a programme of scheduled maintenance to refurbish life expired traffic signal equipment across the county based upon age and fault history. The delivery of these schemes is dependent upon school terms and holiday periods; local residents, businesses and schools will be informed verbally and by a letter drop of the exact dates when known.

<b>Traffic Systems - Contact Officer: Toby Butler</b>		
Location	Description of Works	Current Status
A225 High Street / Pembroke Road Sevenoaks	Refurbishment of traffic signal controlled junction.	To be programmed 2013/14 - will require two weeks to complete.
A225 High Street near Buckhurst Lane Sevenoaks	Refurbishment of traffic signal controlled crossing.	To be programmed 2013/14 - will require two weeks to complete.

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A25 Seal Road near Greatness Lane Sevenoaks	Refurbishment of traffic signal controlled crossing.	To be programmed 2013/14 - will require two weeks to complete.
B2173 High Street near Beven Place Swanley	Refurbishment of traffic signal controlled crossing.	To be programmed 2013/14 - will require two weeks to complete.

### **1.1 Legal Implications**

1.1.1 Not applicable.

### **1.2 Financial and Value for Money Considerations**

1.2.1 Not applicable.

### **1.3 Risk Assessment**

1.3.1 Not applicable.

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Contact: Carol Valentine / Julian Cook 08458 247 800

**By:** David Beaver - Commercial Manager.  
**To:** Sevenoaks Joint Transportation Board – 12 June 2013  
**Subject:** **Results from the Highway Tracker Survey 2012**  
**Classification:** Unrestricted

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**Summary:** Inform Joint Transportation Boards of the key results of the 2012 Resident, County Member and Parish/Town Council Highway Tracker Survey. The full survey report is published on the KCC website.

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### **Introduction**

1. Satisfaction surveys, to gauge perception of the highway service have been carried out since 1987. The 2012 survey was undertaken between November and December 2012 and sought views from residents, County Members and Parish/Town Councils.
2. An independent market research company called BMG was used to undertake the specialist face to face survey work with residents. All other survey work was undertaken by H&T staff.
3. A summary of the results are presented in this report. This information will be used by the Director and Divisional Management team to identify actions to help improve service delivery.
4. A total of 1,211 face to face interviews were carried out on a representative sample of Kent residents with approximately 100 interviews in each of the twelve Districts, reflecting the age, gender and economic status.
5. In addition to residents views the same survey questions were asked of all County and Parish/Town Councils. A total of 40 County Members responded (a response rate of 48%) and for Parish/Town Councils a total of 152 completed the survey (a response rate of 50%). Response rates are down a little on last year (Member 54% and Parish/Town Council 54%).
6. The questionnaire comprised 30 questions, ranging from satisfaction with the condition of roads, pavements, streetlights and local bus and train services through to views on congestion, safety cameras, Member Highway Fund and the Parish Annual Meeting.

### **The 2012 survey results**

7. To ensure independence in the analysis of the survey results the independent market research company (BMG) was also commissioned to identify key issues emerging from the three stakeholder groups. The graphs in the following appendix present the results as % satisfied (green

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line) and % dissatisfied (red line). Results will not add up to 100% as respondents are also offered a neither satisfied or dissatisfied option if they have no strong positive or negative views. Across all stakeholder groups BMG identified the following points;

- a) Only 14% of residents have reported a highway problem in the last 12 months and this is similar to previous years whilst the awareness of the KCC highways 08458 247 800 number has increased from 21% to 39%.
- b) The combined results, when an average is taken from the County Member, Parish/Town Council and Residents groups, suggest that satisfaction with road, pavement and streetlighting has remained broadly the same as last year despite the reduction in maintenance budget.
- c) Similarly for customer service where information has been requested or a problem reported the combined results show a 60% satisfaction level and similar to last year despite the budget pressures on the highway service.
- d) The overall improvement in perception of the service amongst Parish/Town Councils and County Members continues and builds on the benefits of closer liaison with the District Managers and Stewards
- e) Of all road types Country Lanes and Town Centres remains the biggest area of concern across all three groups.
- f) When asked about the top highway priority in their area the top issue for residents was 'repairing roads' (34%), then 'reducing congestion' (21%) then a gap between the next priorities of 'repairing pavements' (10%) and 'reducing speeds' (9%).
- g) Residents who have used the KCC website or Twitter show a 93% satisfaction rating suggesting that those who know of this channel value the information being provided. However awareness of this information is low at 22% and usage of it lower at 5%.
- h) Whilst overall there were 55% of residents who felt that congestion impacts on their journeys to work some hot spots appeared to be Ashford (73%), Tunbridge Wells (67%) and Maidstone (66%). Whilst in Sevenoaks only 32% felt that their working day journeys were adversely affected by congestion.
- i) In relation to public transport 60% of bus users were satisfied with their local services (same as last year) and 68% of train users (up from 67% last year). Those dissatisfied with bus services stated that 'infrequent service' (47%) and 'cost of fares' (35%) as the main reason. For train users the 'cost of fares' (62%) and 'infrequent service' (24%) were the main two areas of concern.
- j) There appears to be more to do around green travel as only 31% consider KCC does enough to support residents in making greener travel choices (36% last year) with 64% stating they have not taken any steps in the last 12 months to travel in a greener way (12% used the bus more and 11% have walked more).
- k) Almost 60% of residents agree that Safety Cameras are helping to make roads safer across Kent and 55% were aware that the cameras are also used to enforce mobile phone and seat belt use.

8. Examples of some of the main results included in the full report are set out in Appendix 1. Figures 1-4 show the combined County Members, Residents and Parish/Town Councils satisfaction results for Roads, Pavements and Streetlights and Satisfaction with Service Received. Figures 5 to 7 set out resident satisfaction results with roads, pavements and streetlights. Figures 8-10 show the results from Parish Councils and Figures 11-13 for County Members.

### **Conclusions from the Director of Highways and Transportation**

9. Overall the results show a steady trend when set against the difficult financial position local authorities find themselves in.
10. Clearly there is always room for improvement and the Highways and Transportation Division is continuing to develop its service delivery ethos and focus on delivering ever improving outcomes for our ultimate customers, the public of Kent. The contents of this report and the year by year tracking profile it provides continues to be helpful in helping us shape our future actions and improvement plans and as such is greatly valued.

### **Further Information**

11. The full tracker survey report is very large and contains much more information along with a more detailed executive summary of the issues identified from the results by BMG. A copy of the report is available on the KCC website

**Background Documents:** None

**Other Useful Information:** Highways & Transportation Highway Tracker Survey 2012

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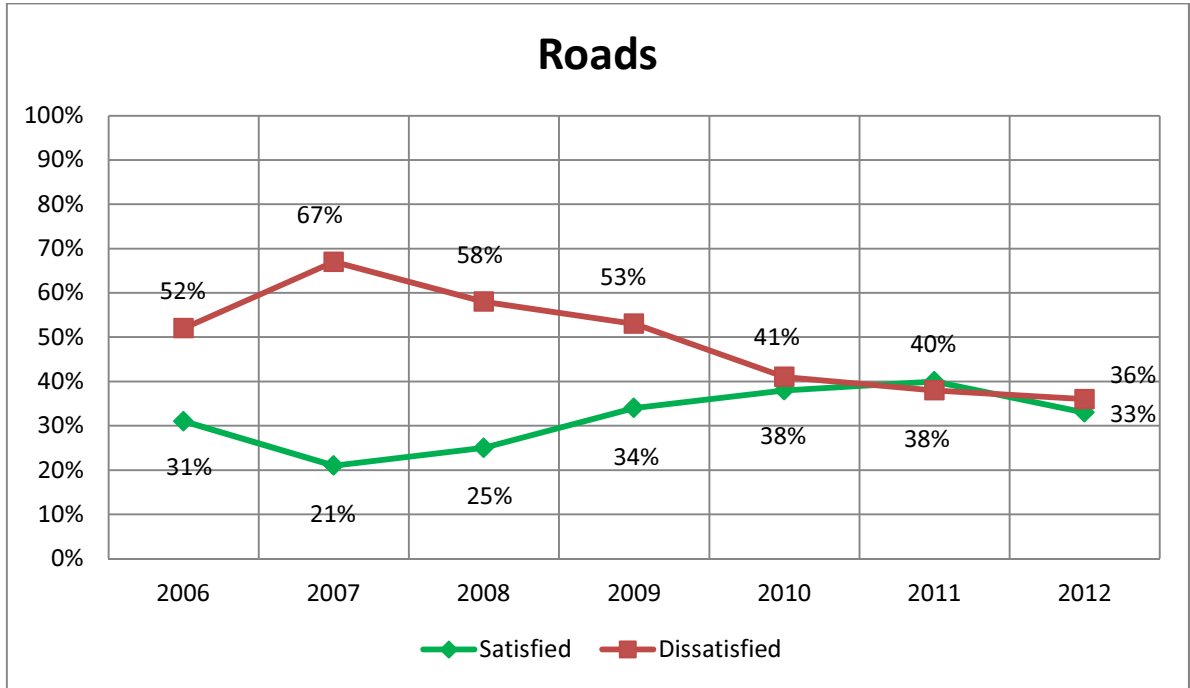
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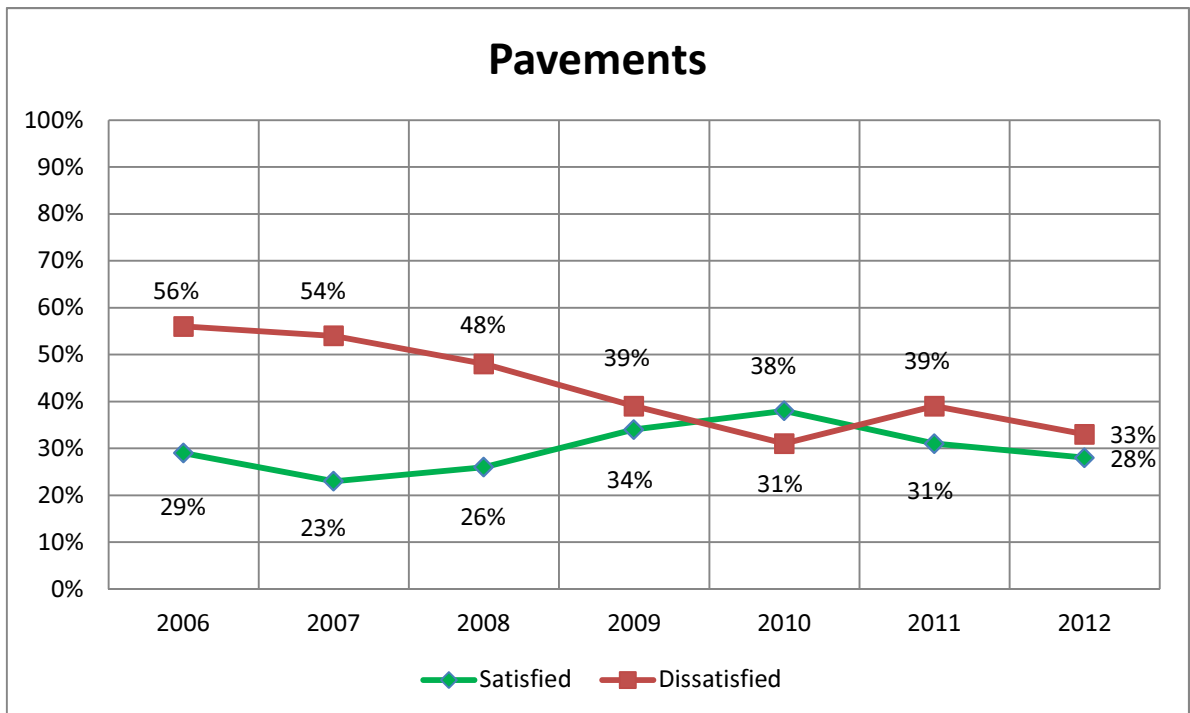
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### Results from the Highway Tracker Survey 2012

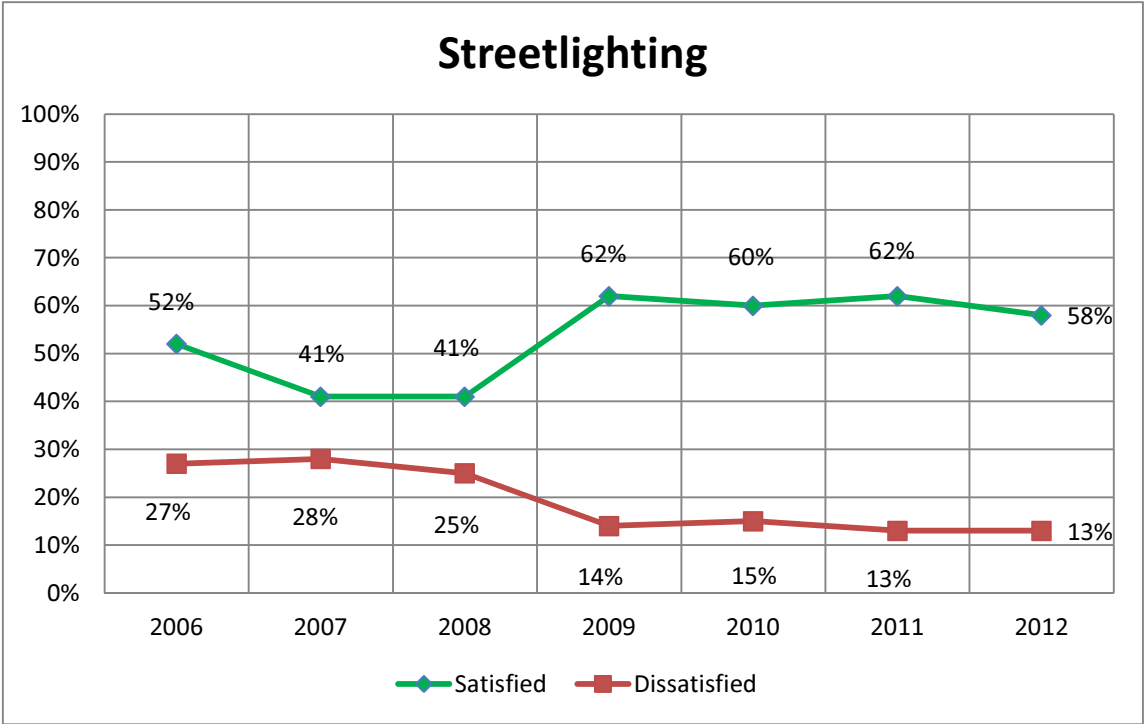
**Figure 1 – Combined Average Results - Satisfaction with the condition of roads in the local area – year-on-year comparison (average of residents, County Members & Parish/Town Councils)**



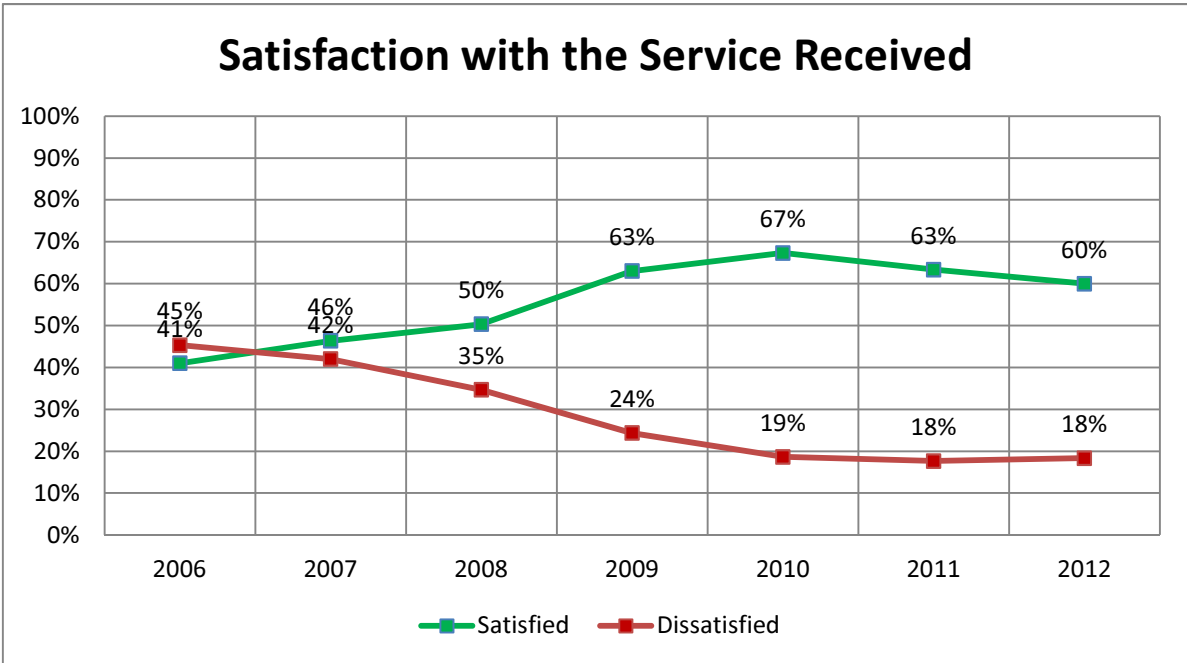
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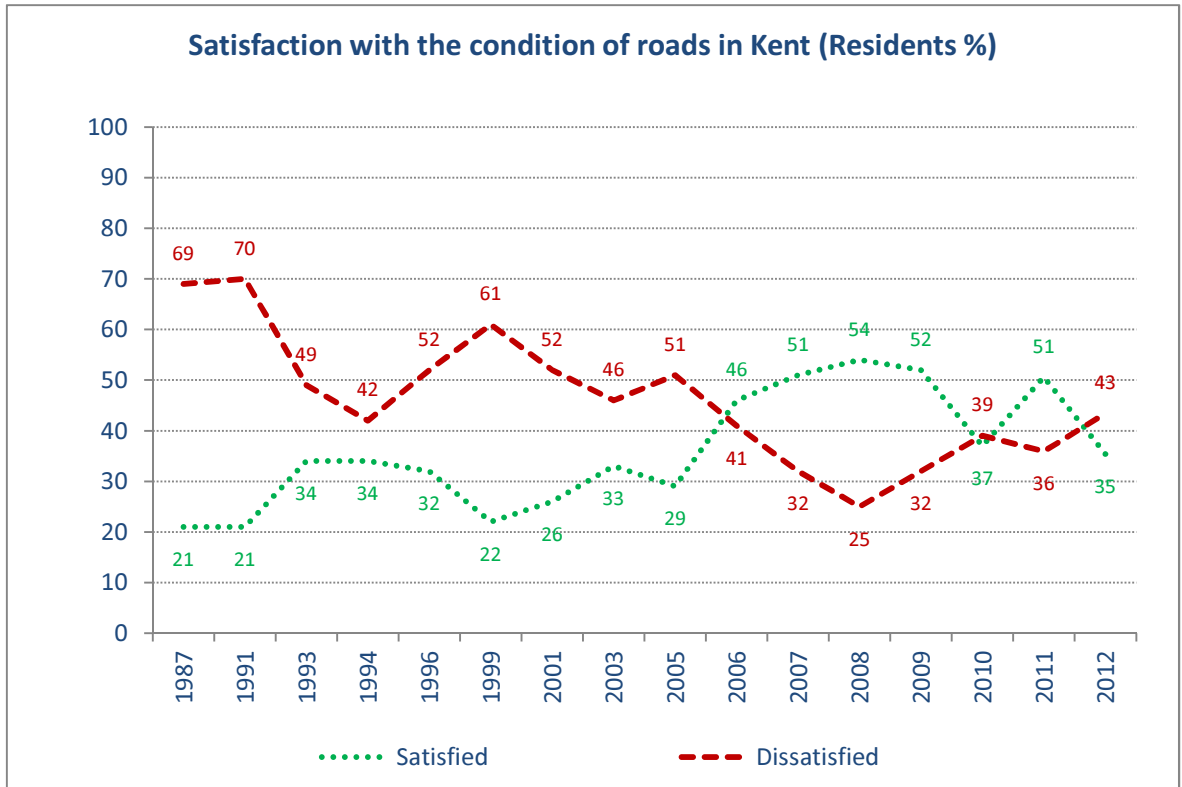
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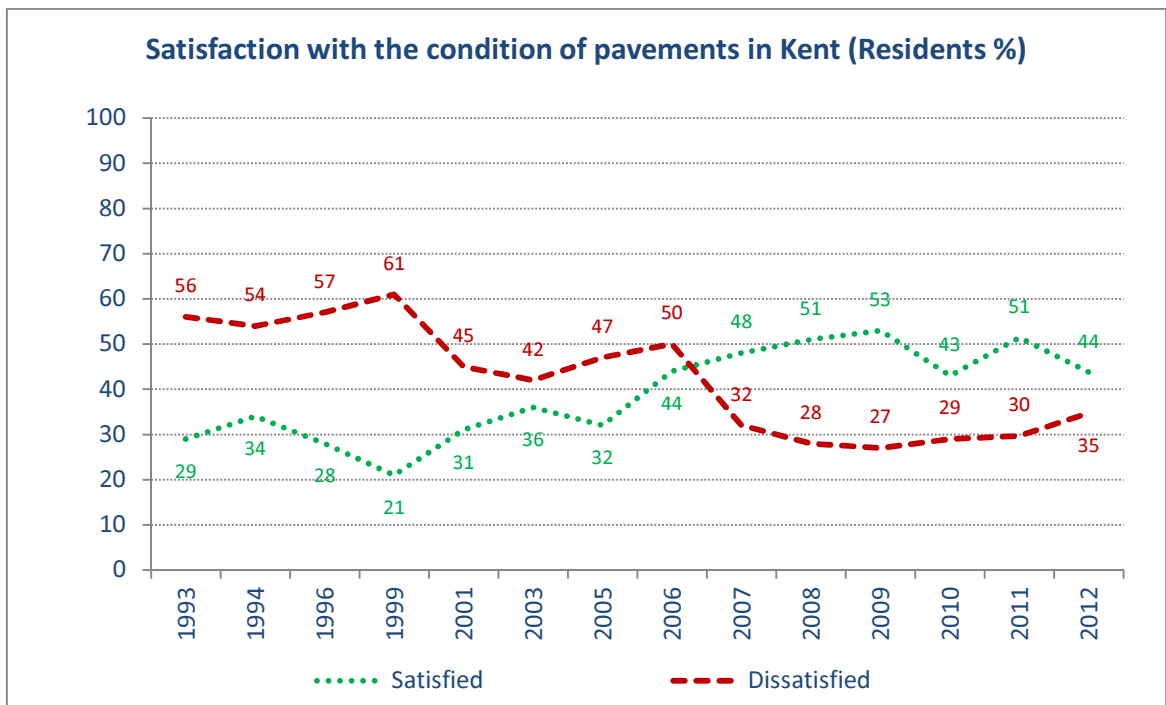
**Figure 4 - Combined Average Results - overall satisfaction with the service received when asking for information or reporting a problem – year-on-year comparison (average of residents, County Members & Parish/Town Councils)**



**Figure 5 -Residents - Satisfaction with the condition of roads in the local area – year-on-year comparison**

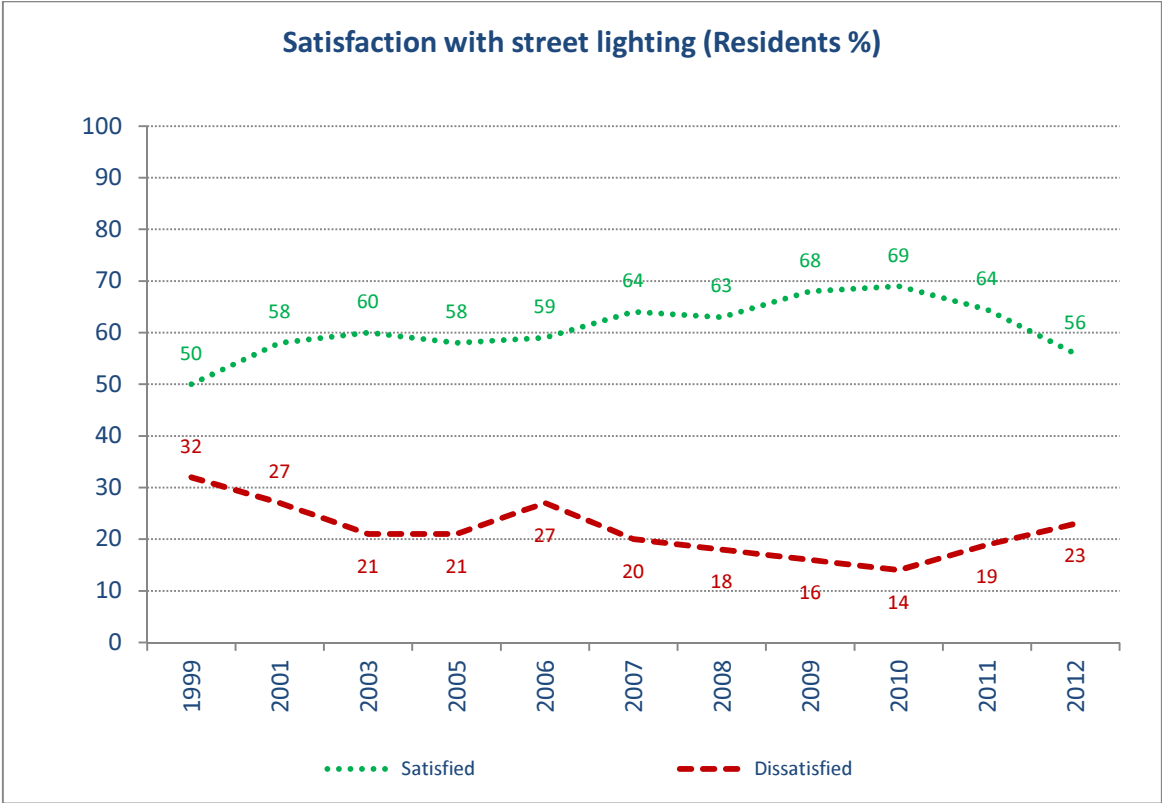


**Figure 6 - Residents - Satisfaction with the condition of pavements in the local area – year-on-year comparison**

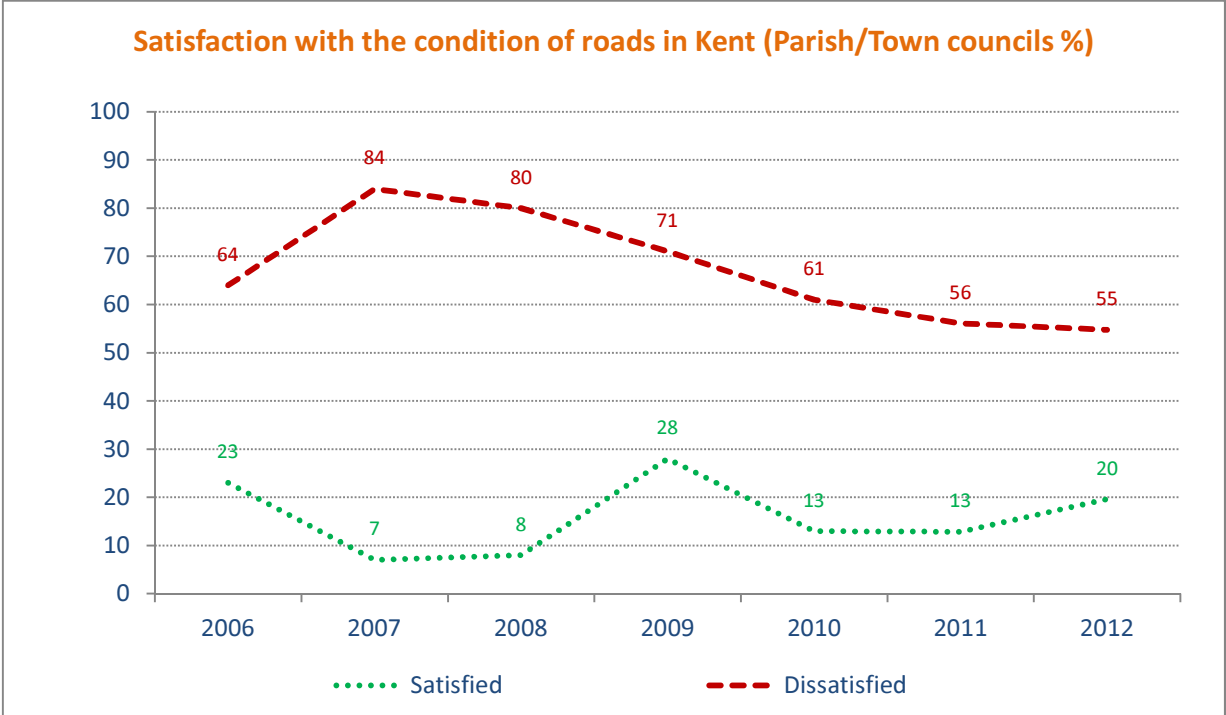




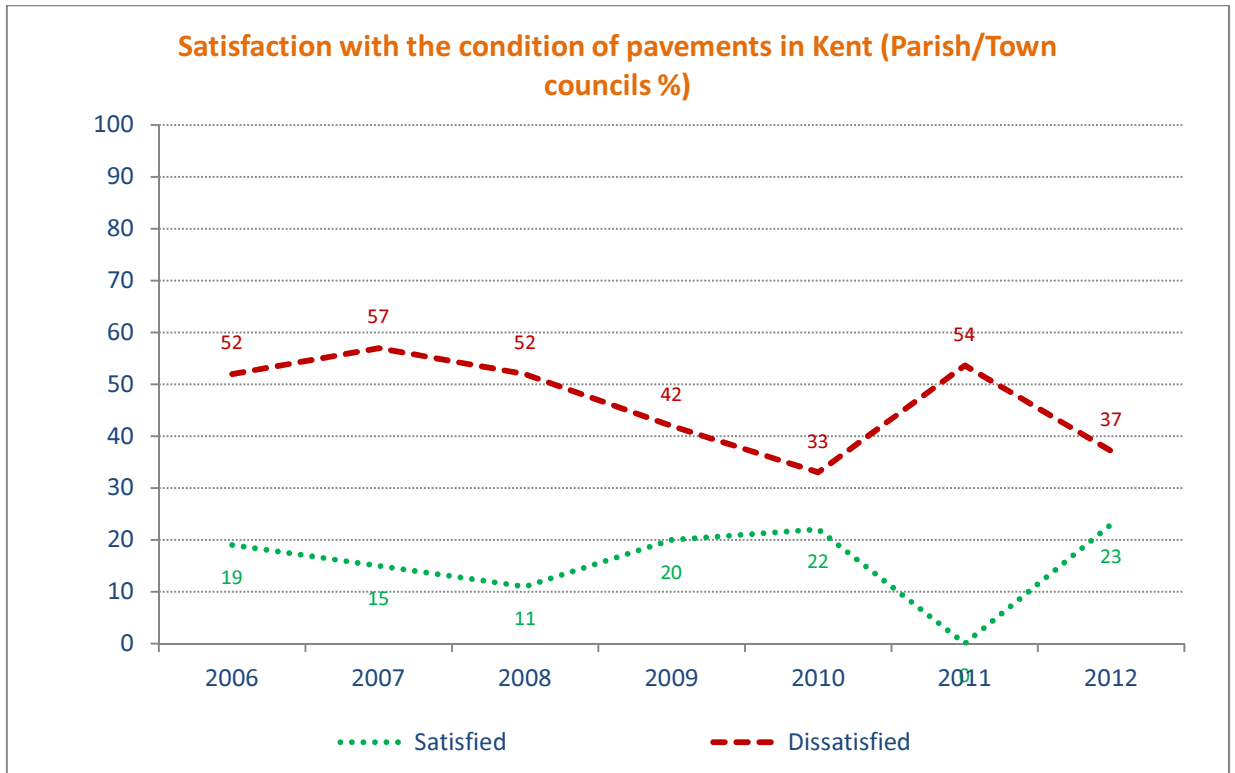
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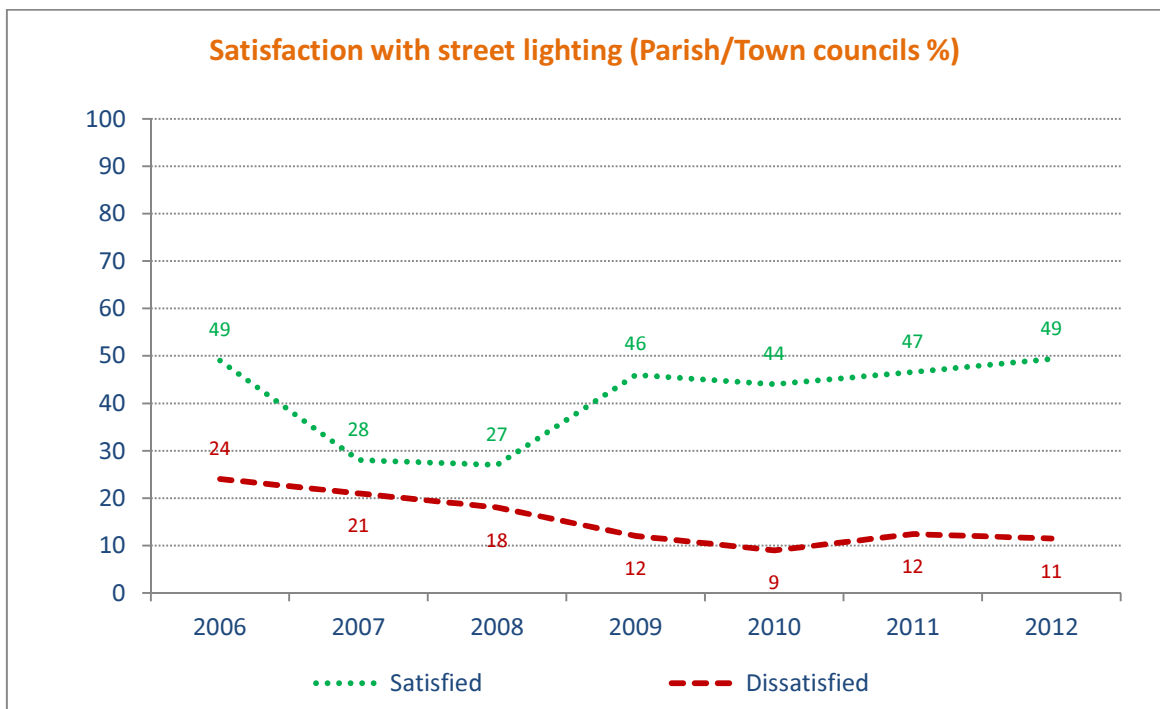
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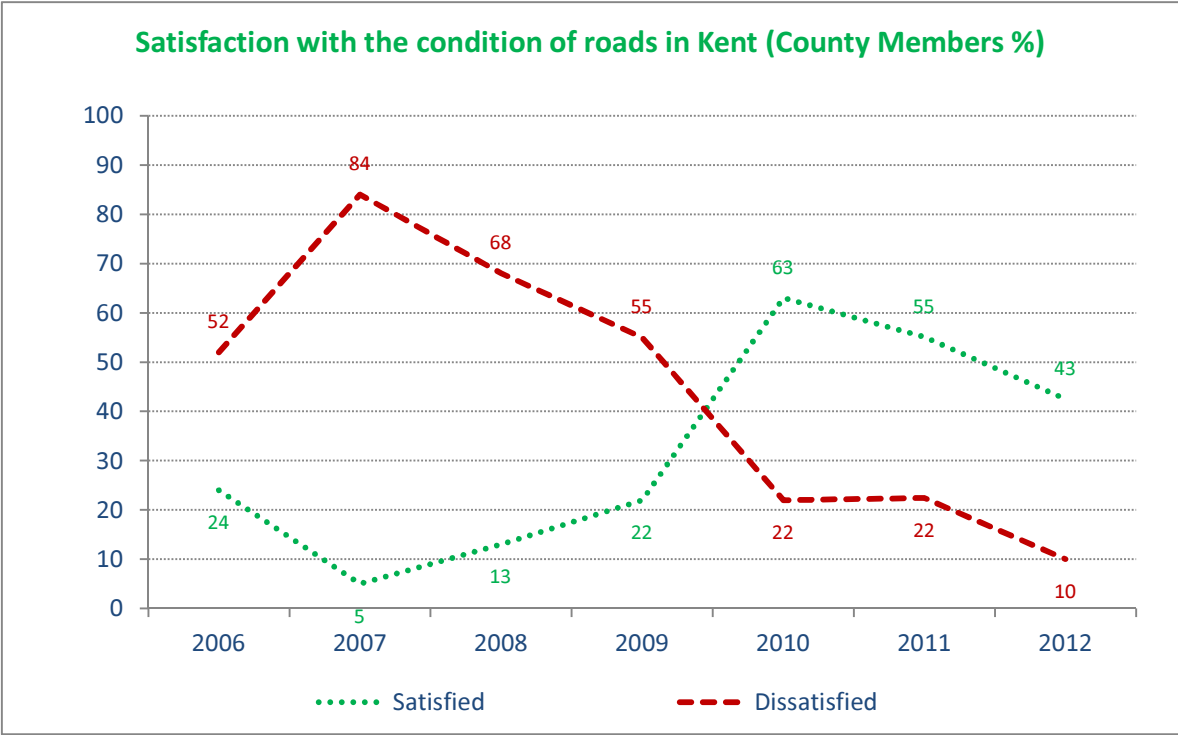
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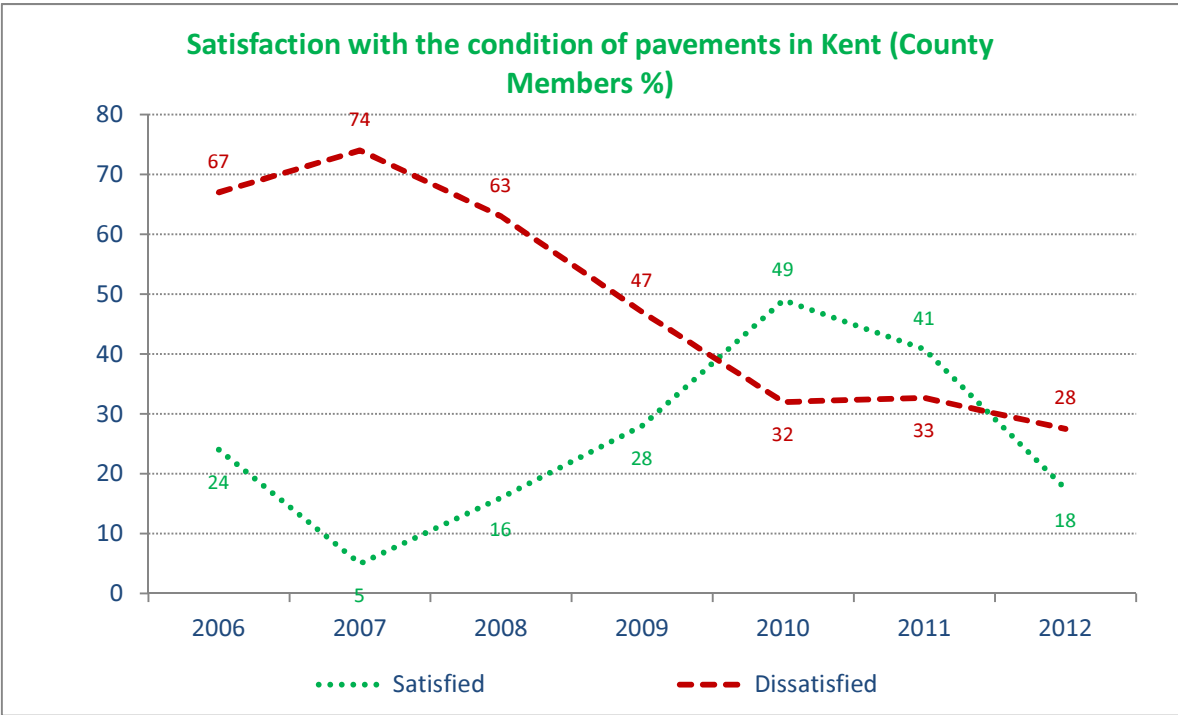
**Figure 10 - Parish/Town Councils - overall satisfaction with the condition of street lighting in the local area – year-on-year comparison**



**Figure 11 –County Members - Satisfaction with the condition of roads in the local area – year-on-year comparison**



**Figure 12 - County Members - Satisfaction with the condition of pavements in the local area – year-on-year comparison**



**Figure 13 - County Members - overall satisfaction with the condition of street lighting in the local area – year-on-year comparison**

