



Baseline Services Statement

Baseline Activity – County Council Highways Maintenance (Street Furniture)

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<p>Service provided. Number of staff and equipment</p>	<p>Works are part of County Council’s contract for highway maintenance. Works are prioritised on a needs basis across the county.</p> <p>As the work is needs based and covers the whole of the county, it is not possible to identify the number of staff that would carry out work and the amount and type of equipment that would be used in the BID area.</p>
<p>Specification</p>	<p>Maintenance of street furniture</p> <p>The County Council is responsible for the maintenance of bollards in relation to street furniture. Other street furniture such as signs, bins and benches is the responsibility of Worcester City Council.</p> <p>All emergency highway repairs to bollards should be completed within 24 hours.</p> <p>Responsive Repairs and Inspections: The Council has a duty to maintain the highway for the safe use of the public throughout the city including the BID area. This will include bollards as well as surface potholes / defects and other highway related equipment, fences / barriers, signs, lighting, gullies and fixed planters.</p> <p>Routine Maintenance</p> <p>For non-hazardous defects and repairs of a more minor nature, the Council will respond with the works taking place within its contractors programme. This could be as a result of routine inspections, follow ups to temporary responsive repairs and / or third party reports. Typically this would be repairs / replacement of damaged bollards / barriers.</p>

	<p>Budgets for this type of work are limited and therefore repairs will tend to be directed at safety concerns rather than appearance. Painting of other street furniture such as electrical control cabinets, bollards, railings, trading posts, cycle racks etc is scheduled on a 7 year cycle but further works are carried out should this be possible.</p>
Performance Measure	None
Non Compliance procedure	None
Existing value of contract / service	Works are part of County Council's term contract for highway maintenance. Works are prioritised on a needs basis within defined areas. It is not possible to identify the value of work carried out in the BID area, as the costing system does not report at this level.
Boundary areas	BID area but Unit covers the whole of Worcestershire
Proposed BID additional activity	Potential for street furniture such as bollards to be painted using the Community Payback scheme undertaken through West Mercia Probation Trust.
Cost of BID additional activity	Unknown as it is dependent upon scale of project to be undertaken.