

Appendix A

COUNCIL – 22nd February 2018

Proposed by Councillor I Faseyi and Seconded by Councillor N Mannion.

This Council notes concerns in respect of a managed decline of our road network and supports the LGA's call for the government to deal with the disparity in funding between national roads (Motorways & Major trunk Roads) and local roads.

Whilst the building of new roads and by-passes funded via Central government capital grants is welcome, it merely highlights the increasingly dilapidated state of a large proportion of the rest of the Cheshire East's road and footpath network.

The hard winter, combined with a lack of any meaningful programme of preventative road maintenance on all but the main trunk roads in Cheshire East in recent years, has resulted in many local & estate roads now rapidly deteriorating to the verge of becoming a danger to road users and pedestrians in places.

The ongoing reliance on merely filling potholes with "blobs" of tarmac rather than a programme of proper structural repairs is both only a temporary, and also an inefficient use of the shrinking available resources-a case of "penny wise, pound foolish"? Reference: See page 4 of FIRST Magazine, February