

## Wiltshire Council

### Environment Select Committee

Tuesday 13 March 2018

#### Briefing Note

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**Subject:** Report for discussion detailing 2016 road casualty data, alongside summary of road safety activity.

**Executive Members:** Councillors Bridget Wayman, Cabinet Member for Highways, Transport and Waste and Fleur de Rhé-Philippe Portfolio Holder for Strategic Highways, Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, European Structural Investment Fund, Canals and Military-Civilian Integration

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#### Purpose of Briefing Note

1. The purpose of this report is to update Environment Select Committee members with data from recorded road traffic collisions in 2016, with a summary of the accident prevention/reduction activities undertaken by the Council and its partners.
2. To assist with that, the document attached as **Appendix 1** is the nineteenth report highlighting the progress of Wiltshire and Swindon Road Safety Partners towards reaching the 2020 casualty reduction target adopted by the Wiltshire & Swindon Road Safety Partnership.

#### Background

3. The partnership currently comprises representatives of Wiltshire Council, Wiltshire Police, Swindon Borough Council, Highways England, the Health Authority and Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service, who are all working together to achieve a locally adopted projected casualty reduction target of:
  - A 40% reduction in the number of people killed and seriously injured (KSI) in road collisions based on 2005 – 2009 average.
4. The partnership is currently on track to achieve that target as evidenced in Figures 1 and 2 below:

Highway Authority	All Killed and Seriously Injured Casualties			
	2005-2009 Average	2016	% Change	2020 Target (40% reduction)

Wiltshire Council	234	192	-18	140
Swindon Borough Council	67	73	+9	40
Highways England	62	53	-14	38
All Roads in Wiltshire and Swindon	363	318	-12	218
Great Britain <sup>1</sup>	30	25.9	-14	18

Figure 1

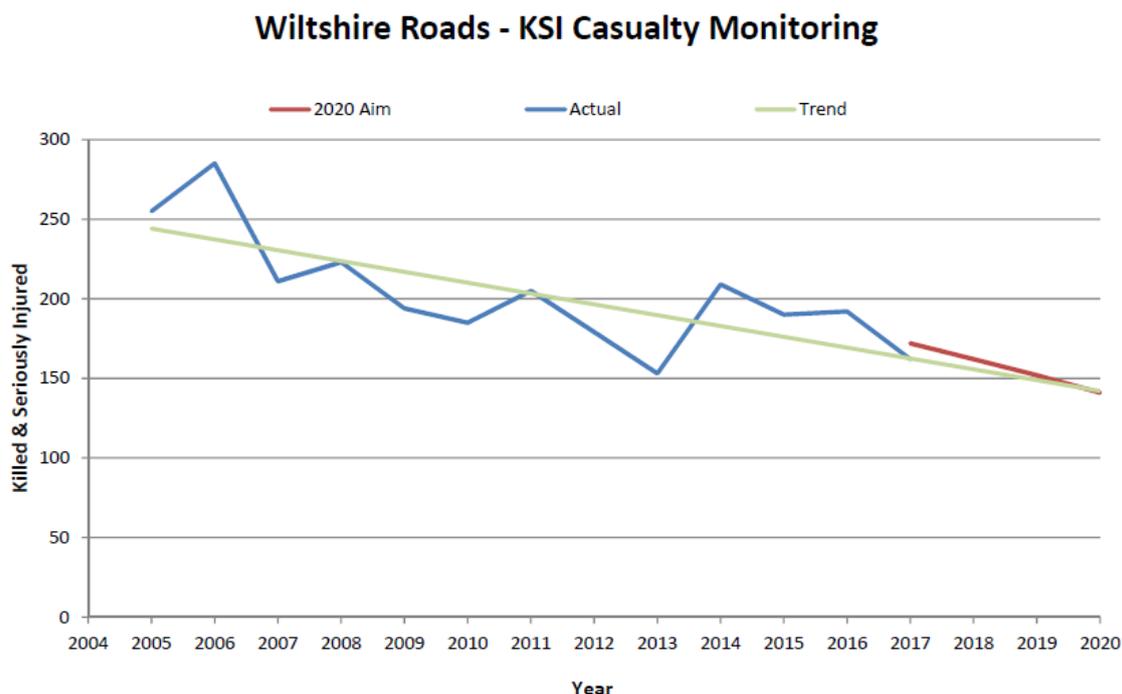


Figure 2

5. Across the partnership area there were 1592 recorded road traffic collisions in 2016 which resulted in 2145 casualties, 24 of which were fatalities. The overall cost of these casualties to the community is estimated to be £134 million.

## Recommendations

6. To note the content of this report, and invite Members to consider whether any aspect of this area should form part of the Select Committee's forward work plan.

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<sup>1</sup> GB Casualties in thousands