

## **Well-managed Highway Infrastructure:**

### **A code of practice – Position statement for Leicestershire County Council**

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As part of their commitment to all highway users, Leicestershire County Council (LCC) are transitioning to a new way of managing their highway assets to bring current working practices in-line with the latest guidance document:

[Well-managed Highway Infrastructure - A code of practice \(WMHI CoP\) October 2016](#)

This guidance document recommends that all local Highway Authority’s adopt a risk-based approach to managing their highway assets and provides guidance through 36 key recommendations.

Independent Consultants SNC-Lavalin – Atkins, have reviewed LCC’s progress and established that they are progressing well and are already showing commitment to adopting this approach. The County Council already have a list of key projects to address the 36 recommendations. But it is recognised that there will be an interim period whilst these recommendations are being implemented.

During this transition period (from October 2018 to October 2020), the County Council will continue to manage its highway infrastructure assets in a robust manner. They will continue to follow their current asset management procedures until these are replaced by new documentation. An action plan has been developed and will be added to the Council web site towards the end of November. This will demonstrate their planned approach to adopting the 36 recommendations.

From the 31<sup>st</sup> October 2018, all highway-related inspections will further develop their risk-based approach by prioritising asset defect repairs, allowing those defects that pose the greatest risks to be addressed most urgently.

It should be noted that LCC already complies with many of the recommendations contained in the latest Code of Practice, including the need for authorities to have a current Asset Management [Policy](#) and [Strategy](#) and will continue to develop and improve their processes and procedures.