

# Delegated Decisions by Cabinet Member for Highway Management

## Thursday, 8 September 2022 at 10.00 am Council Chamber - County Hall, New Road, Oxford OX1 1ND

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### Items for Decision

The items for decision under individual Cabinet Members' delegated powers are listed overleaf, with indicative timings, and the related reports are attached. Decisions taken will become effective at the end of the fifth working day after the decisions are published unless called in by that date for review by the appropriate Scrutiny Committee.

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Note: Date of next meeting: 13 October 2022

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## Items for Decision

#### 1. Declaration of Interest

### 2. Questions from County Councillors

Any county councillor may, by giving notice to the Proper Officer by 9 am two working days before the meeting, ask a question on any matter in respect of the Cabinet Member's delegated powers.

The number of questions which may be asked by any councillor at any one meeting is limited to two (or one question with notice and a supplementary question at the meeting) and the time for questions will be limited to 30 minutes in total. As with questions at Council, any questions which remain unanswered at the end of this item will receive a written response.

Questions submitted prior to the agenda being despatched are shown below and will be the subject of a response from the appropriate Cabinet Member or such other councillor or officer as is determined by the Cabinet Member, and shall not be the subject of further debate at this meeting. Questions received after the despatch of the agenda, but before the deadline, will be shown on the Schedule of Addenda circulated at the meeting, together with any written response which is available at that time.

#### 3. Petitions and Public Address

Members of the public who wish to speak at this meeting can attend the meeting in person or 'virtually' through an online connection.

Requests to speak must be submitted by no later than 9am four working days before the meeting i.e. 9 am on Friday 2 September 2022. Requests to speak should be sent to <a href="mailto:colm.ocaomhanaigh@oxfordshire.gov.uk">colm.ocaomhanaigh@oxfordshire.gov.uk</a>.

If you are speaking 'virtually', you may submit a written statement of your presentation to ensure that if the technology fails, then your views can still be taken into account. A written copy of your statement can be provided no later than 9 am 2 working days before the meeting. Written submissions should be no longer than 1 A4 sheet.

## 4. Oxford & Abingdon: Various Locations - Proposed Permanent 'School Streets' & ANPR Enforcement (Pages 1 - 44)

Forward Plan Ref: 2022/083

Contact: Mark Gregory, Senior Transport Planner, 07775 007933

Report by Corporate Director Environment & Place (CMDHM4).

The School Streets programme is part of Oxfordshire County Council's Travel to School policy within our countywide Local Transport & Connectivity Plan. This became adopted policy following the County Council meeting on 12 July 2022. This policy contributes to our vision to make "walking, cycling, public and shared transport the natural first choice."

The consultation proposals seek to introduce permanent Traffic Regulation Orders (TROs) for four participating schools that have been trialling School Streets under Experimental Traffic Regulation Orders (ETRO), using trained volunteers to manage and enforce the temporary closures.

The Cabinet Member for the Highway Management is RECOMMENDED to approve the proposal to make permanent Traffic Regulation Orders (TROs) so we can continue the School Streets programme with participating schools in Oxfordshire from autumn 2022, these being:

- a) the proposed 'prohibition of motor vehicles' restriction during the stated operational hours (i.e.: The School Street) for each of the following four schools:
  - Oxford Larkrise primary school
  - Oxford St Ebbe's CE primary school
  - Abingdon St Nicolas CE primary school
  - Oxford Windmill primary school
- b) The proposed use of (Automatic Number Plate Recognition) ANPR cameras to enforce the temporary road closures for the 'School Streets' during the operational hours.
- 5. Oxford: North Parade-proposed permanent access restrictions (Pages 45 62)

Forward Plan Ref: 2022/086

Contact: Joanne Fellows, Growth Manager Central, 07990 368897

Report by Corporate Director Environment & Place (CMDHM5).

This report presents responses received to a statutory consultation on an Experimental Traffic Regulation Order (ETRO), which created a gated safe area in North Parade Avenue for the community and for businesses to provide hospitality facilities to the public by prohibiting vehicles from part of the street during certain times. The scheme is supported by the North Parade Residents and Traders Association who have collaborated with the councils during the period of the order.

#### The Cabinet Member for Highway Management is RECOMMENDED:

- a) to approve making permanent the provisions of the Experimental Traffic Regulation Order (ETRO) currently in place to allow the current measures to continue beyond the expiry of the ETRO on 11 October 2022.
- b) to instruct officers to investigate amendments to the scheme to address some operational issues identified by respondents to the ETRO consultation and by monitoring by Oxford City Council officers, and to also explore funding options for its ongoing operation.

c) to instruct officers to report to a future meeting the outcome of the above work and any additional consultation carried out to then allow a decision to be taken on the longer-term future of the scheme.

## 6. Crowmarsh The Street - proposed zebra crossing (Pages 63 - 70)

Forward Plan Ref: 2022/103

Contact: Lee Turner, Principal Officer - Traffic Schemes, 07917 072678

Report by Corporate Director Environment & Place (CMDHM6).

This report presents responses received to a statutory consultation on proposals to introduce a raised zebra crossing on The Street, Crowmarsh.

The Cabinet Member for Highway Management is RECOMMENDED to approve as advertised the proposed raised zebra crossing at The Street, Crowmarsh.

7. Oxford: First Turn – proposed humped zebra crossing (Pages 71 - 76)

Forward Plan Ref: 2022/101

Contact: Julian Richardson, Senior Engineer, 07825 052736

Report by Corporate Director Environment & Place (CMDHM7).

This report presents responses received to a statutory consultation on a proposal to introduce a raised zebra crossing on First Turn as a result of adjacent development. This proposal replaces a previous proposal for a zebra crossing not incorporating a flat top road hump, which was approved – together with other allied measures – at the Cabinet Member for Highway Management decisions meeting on 26 May 2022.

The Cabinet Member for Highway Management is RECOMMENDED to approve as advertised a raised Zebra crossing at First Turn south of its junction with Mere Road.

8. Bicester / Launton: A4421 Charbridge Lane – proposed toucan and extension of shared use footway / cycle track (Pages 77 - 88)

Forward Plan Ref: 2022/102

Contact: Anthony Kirkwood, Principal Engineer - Traffic & Road Safety, 07392 318871

Report by Corporate Director Environment & Place (CMDHM8).

This report presents responses received to a consultation on a proposed toucan crossing and associated extension of a shared use footway and cycle track. The proposal seeks to provide a safe and convenient crossing for pedestrians and pedal cyclists travelling between Launton and Bicester.

The Cabinet Member for Highway Management is RECOMMENDED to approve the proposed toucan crossing and associated extension of a shared use footway and cycle track.

## 9. Wantage: A417 Reading Road & Elder Way - Proposed Bus Gate and Turning Restrictions (Pages 89 - 116)

Forward Plan Ref: 2021/181

Contact: Cathy Champion, Infrastructure Locality Lead South Vale, 07920 084256

Report by Corporate Director Environment & Place (CMDHM9).

Following consideration at the Cabinet Member – Highways Management Decisions meeting on 26 May 2022 of a proposal to introduce a 'Bus Gate' restriction on Elder Way (eastern access to Crab Hill) between the junctions with the A417 Reading Road & Appletons (the first side road within the estate), it was agreed to DEFER implementation of the proposals to allow further consideration to be given to how the proposals might be aligned with the wider development issues, including coherent active travel links between the development and the town centre. The report provides details of the above proposal.

The Cabinet Member for the Highway Management is RECOMMENDED to approve implementation of the proposed 'Bus Gate' restriction on Elder Way (eastern access to Crab Hill) between the junctions with the A417 Reading Road & Appletons, and associated turning prohibitions for vehicles travelling on the A417 Reading Road to prevent them from entering Elder Way, and then on Elder Way to prevent them accessing the A417.