

Report to the Chief Officer (Highways and Transportation)

Date: 28 April 2015

Subject: Proposed Traffic Regulation Order The Hawthorns Calverley and Horsforth New Road Side

Capital Scheme Number: 15469

Are specific electoral Wards affected? Calverley and Farsley - Horsforth	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number: Appendix number:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

Summary of main issues

- 1 The Best Council Plan 2013-17 outlines how Leeds City will achieve its ambition to become the Best City in the UK and Leeds City Council the best local authority. According to the Best Council Plan, the success of the Best Council objective: ensuring high quality public services, will be partly measured through reduced numbers of people killed or seriously injured on the city's roads. By enhancing the local residential environments through removing indiscriminate and obstructive parking, this will result in a safer and more user friendly road environment for all road users. By improving the local road environment, this will actively encourage children into more active modes of travel on journeys to school, contributing to the Leeds Education Challenge, which is part of the objective to build a child friendly city, delivery of the Better Lives programme and a contribution to 'Public Health, which is embedded and effectively delivering health protection and health improvement.
- 2 This report follows feedback and review in relation to the schemes now under construction to improve the A6120 junctions at Horsforth and Rodley and seeks approval to introduce minor Traffic Regulations Orders in close proximity to the newly signalised roundabouts at Horsforth and Rodley on the A6120 Ring Road. The introduction of restrictions at these locations will improve sight lines and enhance the operation of the new traffic signal control at both Ring Road locations.

3 Recommendations

The Chief Officer (Highways and Transportation) is requested to:

- i) give approval to undertake the detailed design, advertisement and implementation of a Traffic Regulation Order in association with the approved highway works at both the Rodley and Horsforth Roundabouts on the A6120 Ring Road, as detailed on drawing numbers TMW-8-1-2224-01 and TMW18-1-2291-01, at a total cost of £6,000; and
- iii) instruct the City Solicitor to advertise a draft Traffic Regulation Order as shown on drawing Nos TMW-8-1-2224-01 and TMW18-1-2291-01 and, if no valid objections are received, to make, seal and implement the Order as advertised.

1 Purpose of this report

- 1.1 The purpose of the report is to request the Chief Officer (Highways and Transportation) to give approval to design, advertise and implement Minor Traffic Regulation Orders as per the attached drawings, TMW-8-1-2224-01 and TMW18-1-2291-01. It also requests the Chief Officer (Highways and Transportation) to give approval to incur expenditure of £6,000 from the Horsforth Roundabout Signalisation Scheme approved in Jan 2014.

2 Background information

- 2.1 In relation to the highway works taking place at the A6120 Horsforth and Rodley junctions a number of parking issues have been identified.
- 2.2 A number of junctions have been identified by Ward Members in Calverley where indiscriminate parking is taking place, affecting the sight lines for vehicles emerging from the side roads. The junctions are shown on the attached drg TMW8-1-2224-01. The junctions are in close proximity to the newly signalised roundabout on the A6120 Ring Road at Rodley now being completed.
- 2.3 A need for waiting restrictions has also been identified on New Road Side close to the newly signalised roundabout now being completed at the A6120 Ring / Road New Road Side junction in Horsforth now being completed. The location is shown on the attached plan TMW18-12291-01. The short length of No Waiting "at any time" is being proposed on the Leeds City approach to the controlled pedestrian crossing at the junction with Calverley Lane, which forms part of the new signal arrangement for the A6120 / New Road Side roundabout.

3 Main issues

3.1 Design Proposals and Full Scheme Description.

- 3.1.1 Rodley Lane/A6120 Roundabout, Calverley and Farsley Ward. The introduction of No Waiting "at any time" restrictions on Rodley Lane will have a positive impact on

traffic movements close to the proposed signalised roundabout at the Rodley A6120 Ring Road junction, as well as improving road safety at the affected junctions, by improving sight lines.

- 3.1.2 Horsforth - A6120/New Road Side Roundabout, Horsforth Ward. A short length of No Waiting "at any time" is being proposed on the approach to the proposed pedestrian crossing at Calverley Lane. The restriction will improve the operation of the new pedestrian crossing and improve pedestrians safety. The crossing forms part of the new Horsforth Roundabout signalisation scheme.

4 Corporate Considerations

4.1 Consultation and Engagement

- 4.1.1 The proposals affect 2 Wards. Members from Calverley & Farsley and Horsforth Wards were consulted on 18 March 2015 and the proposals are supported by all the Ward Members.
- 4.1.2 Emergency Services and West Yorkshire Combined Authority were also consulted on 18 March 2015 and no adverse comments have been received.
- 4.1.3 Internal consultations took place at the same time and there are no adverse comments.

4.2 Equality and Diversity / Cohesion and Integration

- 4.2.1 An Equality, Diversity, Cohesion and Integration Screening (Appendix 1) has been undertaken and it has identified that there is no requirement for a full impact assessment for these proposals. The screening highlighted the following positive and negative impacts

Positive Impacts:

By removing indiscriminate parking it will provide clear sight lines that will provide a safer environment for pedestrians when crossing the highways especially parents with young children, the elderly and people with mobility issues.

Negative Impacts:

- 4.2.2 Some may see it as a negative to remove parking through the introduction of double yellow lines, although this is mitigated by providing a safer environment for more vulnerable pedestrians. However, this is not an issue for blue badge holders.

4.3 Council policies and City Priorities

- 4.3.1 Local Transport Plan (LTP): The proposal contributes to the policies in the West Yorkshire LTP 2011-26 as follows: (18) Improve safety and security, seeking to minimise transport casualties.

4.3.2 Environmental Policy: The proposals contained in this report are in line with Aim 6 of the Environmental Policy to improve road safety.

4.3.3 Mobility: By controlling parking, access to the local amenities and residential properties will be improved, in particular pedestrian safety should be improved at the junctions.

4.3.4 Safety Audit: A safety audit has not been requested for this scheme, however, as part of the consultation process the Safety Officer was asked for their comments and has no objections to the proposals.

4.4 Resources and value for money

4.4.1 The total costs are expected to be £6,000 comprising £4,000 works costs, £2,000 internal staff fees, to be fully funded from the Horsforth Roundabout Signalisation Scheme.

4.4.2 The scheme will be implemented by term contractors appointed by Highway Services. It is anticipated the works will be carried out in this financial year, subject to there being no objections that can't be resolved.

4.5 Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In

4.5.1 The scheme is not eligible for a call in; it falls below the relevant thresholds.

4.6 Risk Management

4.6.1 There are no risk issues over and above those expected when working within the public highway.

5 Conclusions

5.1 Providing No Waiting "At Any Time" restrictions at these sites will improve visibility and access and also improve the operation of the new signalised roundabouts proposed for these two locations.

6 Recommendation

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6 Background documents¹

6.1 Drawing showing the proposed restrictions –
TMW-8-1-2224-01 and TMW18-1-2291-01

¹ The background documents listed in this section are available to download from the Council's website, unless they contain confidential or exempt information. The list of background documents does not include published works.

Appendix 1
 Equality, Diversity,
 Cohesion and Integration
 Screening



As a public authority we need to ensure that all our strategies, policies, service and functions, both current and proposed have given proper consideration to equality, diversity, cohesion and integration.

A **screening** process can help judge relevance and provides a record of both the **process** and **decision**. Screening should be a short, sharp exercise that determines relevance for all new and revised strategies, policies, services and functions. Completed at the earliest opportunity it will help to determine:

- the relevance of proposals and decisions to equality, diversity, cohesion and integration.
- whether or not equality, diversity, cohesion and integration is being/has already been considered, and
- whether or not it is necessary to carry out an impact assessment.

Directorate: City Development	Service area: Highways and Transportation
Lead person: Alan Robinson	Contact number: 0113 3951583

1. Title: Proposed Traffic Regulation Order The Hawthorns, Calverley and Horsforth New Road Side

Is this a:

Strategy / Policy
 Service / Function
 Other

If other, please specify

2. Please provide a brief description of what you are screening

The screening focuses on a report to the Highways and Transportation Board requesting authority to undertake the detailed design, advertisement and implementation of a Traffic Regulation Order in Calverley and Horsforth.

These locations have be identified by Ward Members because of indiscriminate or dangerous parking, causing a potential road safety hazard and obstructions to the highway.

3. Relevance to equality, diversity, cohesion and integration

All the council's strategies/policies, services/functions affect service users, employees or the wider community – city wide or more local. These will also have a greater/lesser relevance to equality, diversity, cohesion and integration.

The following questions will help you to identify how relevant your proposals are.

When considering these questions think about age, carers, disability, gender reassignment, race, religion or belief, sex, sexual orientation and any other relevant characteristics (for example socio-economic status, social class, income, unemployment, residential location or family background and education or skills levels).

Questions	Yes	No
Is there an existing or likely differential impact for the different equality characteristics?	✘	
Have there been or likely to be any public concerns about the policy or proposal?		✘
Could the proposal affect how our services, commissioning or procurement activities are organised, provided, located and by whom?		✘
Could the proposal affect our workforce or employment practices?		✘
Does the proposal involve or will it have an impact on <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eliminating unlawful discrimination, victimisation and harassment • Advancing equality of opportunity • Fostering good relations 		✘

If you have answered **no** to the questions above please complete **sections 6 and 7**

If you have answered **yes** to any of the above and;

- Believe you have already considered the impact on equality, diversity, cohesion and integration within your proposal please go to **section 4**.
- Are not already considering the impact on equality, diversity, cohesion and integration within your proposal please go to **section 5**.

4. Considering the impact on equality, diversity, cohesion and integration
<p>If you can demonstrate you have considered how your proposals impact on equality, diversity, cohesion and integration you have carried out an impact assessment.</p> <p>Please provide specific details for all three areas below (use the prompts for guidance).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How have you considered equality, diversity, cohesion and integration? (think about the scope of the proposal, who is likely to be affected, equality related information, gaps in information and plans to address, consultation and engagement activities (taken place or planned) with those likely to be affected) <p>The Emergency Services, West Yorkshire Combined Authority and Ward Members have been consulted. All have responded positively with the exception of the Ambulance Service who did not respond.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key findings (think about any potential positive and negative impact on different equality characteristics, potential to promote strong and positive relationships between groups, potential to bring groups/communities into increased contact with each other, perception that the proposal could benefit one group at the expense of another) <p>Positive Impacts:</p>

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Negative Impacts:

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• **Actions**
(think about how you will promote positive impact and remove/ reduce negative impact)

N/A

5. If you are not already considering the impact on equality, diversity, cohesion and integration you will need to carry out an impact assessment.

Date to scope and plan your impact assessment:	N/A
Date to complete your impact assessment	N/A
Lead person for your impact assessment (Include name and job title)	N/A

6. Governance, ownership and approval
Please state here who has approved the actions and outcomes of the screening

Name	Job title	Date
Nick Hunt	Principal Traffic Engineer	16/04/2015

7. Publishing
This screening document will act as evidence that due regard to equality and diversity has been given. If you are not carrying out an independent impact assessment the screening document will need to be published.

If this screening relates to a **Key Delegated Decision, Executive Board, full Council** or a **Significant Operational Decision** a copy should be emailed to Corporate Governance and will be published along with the relevant report.

A copy of **all other** screening's should be sent to equalityteam@leeds.gov.uk. For record keeping purposes it will be kept on file (but not published).

Date screening completed	
If relates to a Key Decision - date sent to Corporate Governance	16/04/2015
Any other decision – date sent to Equality Team (equalityteam@leeds.gov.uk)	