

Report of the Strategic Director Place to the meeting of Bradford East Area Committee to be held on 11 January 2018.

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Subject:

KILLINGHALL ROAD, BRADFORD, TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER – OBJECTIONS

Summary statement:

This report considers objections received to a recently advertised Traffic Regulation Order for Killinghall Road, Bradford proposed in association with the provision of a pedestrian refuge island and footway build-outs at the junction with Ellerton Street.

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1.0 SUMMARY

1.1 This report considers objections received to a recently advertised Traffic Regulation Order for Killinghall Road, Bradford proposed in association with the provision of a pedestrian refuge island and footway build-outs at the junction with Ellerton Street.

2.0 BACKGROUND

2.1 At its meeting of 11 July 2017 this Area Committee approved as part of its Safer Roads schemes programme the provision of a pedestrian refuge island on Killinghall Road near Thornbury Road and associated footway build-outs at its junction with Ellerton Street. A Traffic Regulation Order for No Waiting at Any Time restrictions on both sides of Killinghall Road at this location is proposed to ensure the free flow of traffic past the refuge island and good visibility for pedestrians and drivers. Double yellow lines are also proposed at the junctions of Killinghall Road with Carrington Street and Thornbury Road to improve visibility for drivers. It is also proposed to remove some of the existing peak hour parking restrictions between the pelican crossing south of Carrington Street and Barkerend Road where parking would not impede through traffic. The scheme will provide a facility for pedestrians and thereby improve road safety at a location where there have been 8 collisions in the last 5 years, 6 of which have resulted in pedestrian injuries.

2.2 The location of the proposed refuge island and footway build-outs, and extent of the proposed waiting restrictions are shown on drawing No. HS/TRSS/103756/TRO-1A attached as Appendix 1 to this report.

2.3 The Traffic Regulation Order was advertised between 10 November and 1 December 2017. At the same time consultation letters and plans were delivered to residents and businesses affected by the proposals. This has resulted in three objections one of which is a petition and one representation regarding the proposals.

2.4 A summary of the valid points of objection and corresponding officer comments is tabulated below:

Objectors concerns	Officer comments
<p><u>Objector 1</u> The objector claims to have had a meeting with residents of Killinghall Road and Ellerton Street and they feel the new refuge island will make matters worse in terms of safety for the public. The road will be narrowed with the island and changes to parking restrictions will be detrimental to road safety on Killinghall Road and Ellerton Street. The full wording of this objection is given in Appendix 2.</p>	<p>Sufficient carriageway width can be maintained for the passage of traffic past the refuge island provided that the proposed double yellow lines are implemented .The narrowed road with the island will make it easier for pedestrians to cross Killinghall Road and therefore improve road safety. The existing single yellow line on Killinghall Road is only operational during peak hours. Outside these hours the residents and any visitors to the area are able to park on Killinghall Road. The relaxation of these restrictions will reduce the competition for</p>

	parking space in this area.
<p><u>Objection 2- Petition (40 signatures)</u> The petition opposes the traffic calming measures to include double yellow lines on Killinghall Road. The petitioners concerns relate to a reduction in the availability of parking space. The full wording of the petition is given in Appendix 3.</p>	<p>The double yellow lines are proposed only where necessary to ensure the free flow of traffic past the refuge island and to protect sight lines for pedestrians crossing and for drivers negotiating junctions onto Killinghall Road. Existing single yellow lines prevent the residents of Killinghall Road parking outside their houses at peak times; it is proposed to relax these restrictions. The proposed double yellow lines will be outside 3 residential properties and one business, 2 of the residential properties have off-street parking. Given that vehicles should not be parking within 10 metres of a junction approximately 5 parking spaces will be lost.</p> <p>The petition was collected by a business on Killinghall Road. No residents from the affected area of Killinghall Road signed the petition and only one resident of Ellerton Street.</p>
<p><u>Objector 3</u> The objector is concerned that the provision of double yellow lines will lead to parking on the footway and grass verge and that will be detrimental to the area. Also that the double yellow lines will not be enforced.</p>	<p>Waiting restrictions cover the full width of the highway to the back of the verge or footway; therefore parking on the footway or verge will be in contravention of the Traffic Regulation Order and the Council Wardens will be able to enforce the restrictions.</p>

2.5 A letter of representation has also been received from a resident of Killinghall Road concerned about the removal of the single yellow lines on the east side of Killinghall Road between Barkerend Road and Warley Drive. They are concerned that parking will take place obstructing driveways and reducing visibility for drivers exiting driveways. They also comment that a refuge island exists at Chelmsford Road and feel that the need for another island close to this should be reconsidered and the funding spent elsewhere. Despite making the forgoing comments this resident has stated that if the single yellow line is not removed from in front of their property they do not object to the scheme.

Officer comment: It is not proposed to remove the single yellow line from the frontage of the objector's property. In the last 5 years there have been 8 incidents causing road injury on the section of Killinghall Road between Chelmsford Road and the pelican crossing south of Carrington Street, 6 of which have involved pedestrians. The provision of an additional pedestrian facility on this length of road is therefore justified on casualty reduction grounds.

3.0 OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

3.1 Local ward members and the emergency services have been consulted on the proposals.

4.0 FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE APPRAISAL

4.1 A budget of £28,000 as part of the Safer Roads schemes programme for 2017/18

5.0 RISK MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE ISSUES

5.1 A failure to implement the approved proposals would lead to ongoing vehicle/pedestrian conflict at this location.

6.0 LEGAL APPRAISAL

6.1 The options contained in this report are within the Councils powers as Highway Authority and Traffic Regulation Authority.

7.0 OTHER IMPLICATIONS

7.1 EQUALITY & DIVERSITY

Due regard has been given to Section 149 of the Equality Act 2010 when determining the proposals in this report.

7.2 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

Measures to improve road safety encourage sustainable transport modes.

7.3 GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS IMPACTS

There is no impact on the Council's own and the wider District's carbon footprint and emissions from other greenhouse gasses arising from this report.

7.4 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

The introduction of a new pedestrian refuge island, footway build-outs and Traffic Regulation Order would be beneficial in terms of road safety.

7.5 HUMAN RIGHTS ACT

None

7.6 TRADE UNION

None

7.7 WARD IMPLICATIONS

Ward Members have been consulted on the proposals.

7.8 AREA COMMITTEE WARD PLAN IMPLICATIONS

The implementation of the proposals would support one of the priorities within the Bradford Moor Ward Plan.

8.0 NOT FOR PUBLICATION DOCUMENTS

8.1 None

9.0 OPTIONS

9.1 That the objections be overruled and the proposal be implemented as advertised.

9.2 Councillors may propose an alternative course of action from that recommended on which they will receive appropriate officer advice.

10.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

10.1 That the objections be overruled and the proposed pedestrian refuge island and footway build-outs be constructed and the associated Traffic Regulation Order be sealed and implemented as advertised.

10.2 That the objectors be informed accordingly.

11.0 APPENDICES

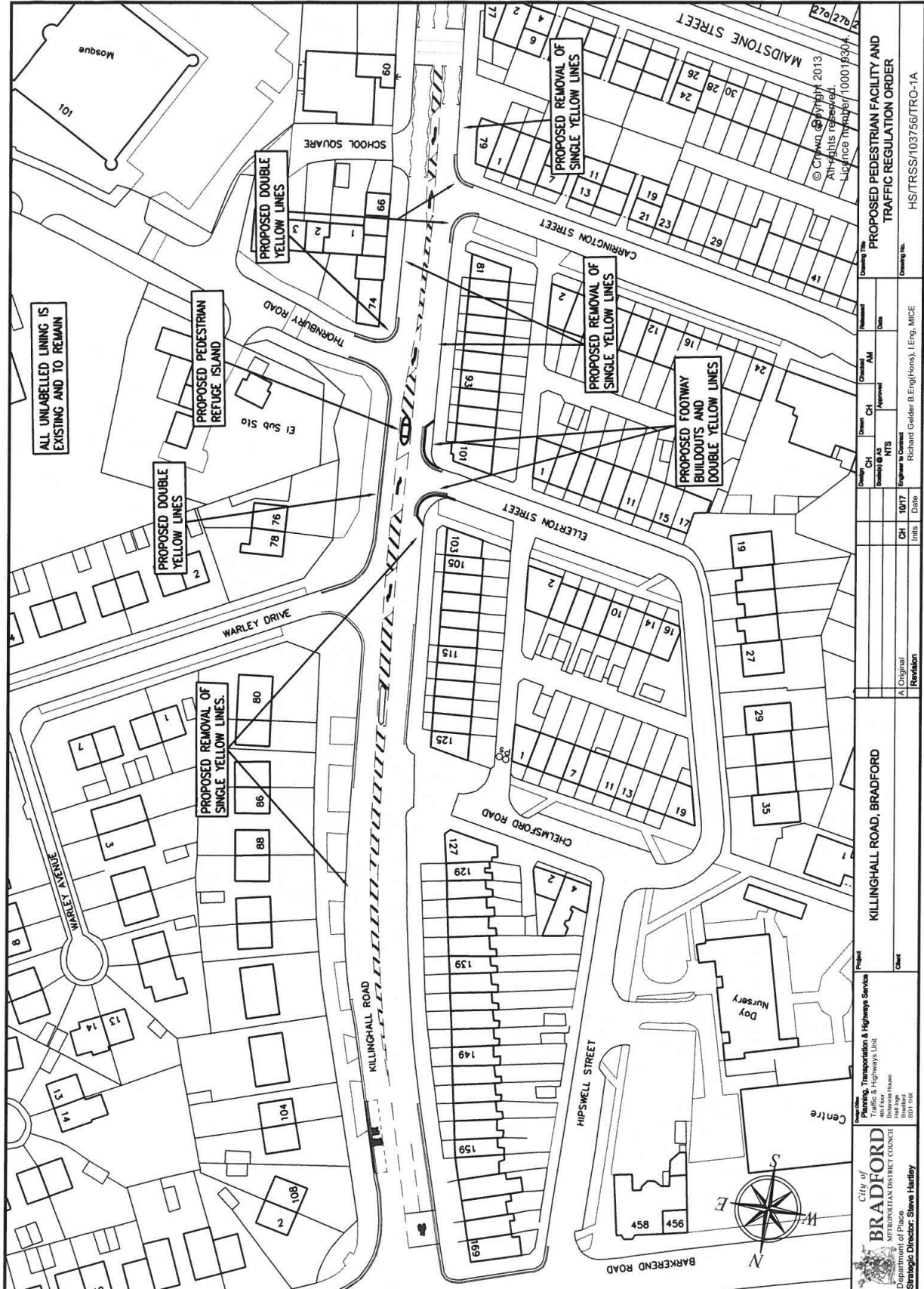
11.1 Appendix 1 – Drawing No. HS/TRSS/103756/TRO-1A.

11.2 Appendix 2 – Objection 1

11.3 Appendix 3 – Objection 2 - Petition

12.0 BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

12.1 City of Bradford Metropolitan District Council File Ref: HS/TRSS/103756.



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Drawing Title	Numbered	AM	Date
PROPOSED PEDESTRIAN FACILITY AND TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER			
CH 1017	Original		
CH 1017	Revision		

Project: **KILLINGHALL ROAD, BRADFORD**
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 Traffic & Highways Unit
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 Date: **10/17**
 Initials: **CH**

We have had another meeting with the residents of Killinghall road and Ellerton street and all have agreed that the new proposal of an island is going to make matters worse in terms of safety for the public. The road will get much narrower with the island and if you take away the yellow lines on Killinghall road residents will end up parking here hence the road becoming further narrower with plenty of blind spots possibly causing accidents.

This will in turn cause further problems in Ellerton street as people will start to park here for temporary parking spots causing these residents issues.

The community have also filled in a petition against the proposed changes which has been sent to you in the post separately.

We have also asked the councillor's to bring these points to you in the meetings.

I hope you can help.

yours faithfully

Petition to oppose the traffic calming measures to include double yellow lines on Killinghall Road

Petition summary and background	<p>We the undersigned local residents oppose the traffic calming measures put forward by the highways department of Bradford Council.</p>
Action petitioned for	<p>We, the undersigned, are concerned citizens who urge the Bradford Council to act now as the proposed changes will lead to a surge in parking in the local streets. The proposed change in resident parking is at a busy junction and alongside a narrow, road which will increase traffic congestion. Furthermore this will be inconvenient for local residents situated on Killinghall Road, who will have to park elsewhere. Changes are proposed to an area where there are limited parking spaces, therefore by going ahead with this proposal, will further reduce the small amount parking spaces available, adding to congestion and a buildup of double parking. This will also pose a risk to local children often playing in nearby streets and increase the risk of traffic related problems in the local area, where there is already congestion on daily basis.</p>

Printed Name	Signature	Address	Comment	Date
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