

Report of the Strategic Director Place to the meeting of Bradford West Area Committee to be held on 28 March 2018

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Subject:

PETITION – BRADFORD WEST

Summary statement:

This report considers the follows petition:

Little Horton Lane – request for a pedestrian crossing

Wards: 7 – City

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Overview & Scrutiny Area:

Environment and Waste Management

1.0 SUMMARY

1.1 This report considers the following petition:

Little Horton Lane – request for a pedestrian crossing

2.0 BACKGROUND

2.1 Background information is given in Appendix 1.

3.0 OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

3.1 Local ward members have been consulted. Comments have either been added to Appendix 1 or will be reported verbally to the Area Committee meeting.

4.0 FINANCIAL & RESOURCE APPRAISAL

4.1 Any recommendations for the future promotion of schemes would be subject to the allocation of an appropriate level of funding from the Safer Roads budget.

5.0 RISK MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE ISSUES

5.1 Any potential risks arising from options considered are detailed within the report appendices.

6.0 LEGAL APPRAISAL

6.1 There are no Legal implications associated with the officer recommendations other than the Council's general powers as Highway 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 investigating these matters.

7.2 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

There are no sustainability implications arising from this report.

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 gases arising from this report.

7.4 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

Details of recorded collisions are provided in the appendices.

7.5 HUMAN RIGHTS ACT

None

7.6 TRADE UNION

None

7.7 WARD IMPLICATIONS

Ward members have been consulted on the petition.

7.8 AREA COMMITTEE WARD PLAN IMPLICATIONS

None

8.0 NOT FOR PUBLICATION DOCUMENTS

None

9.0 OPTIONS

- 9.1 Members may propose alternative recommendations on which they will receive appropriate officer advice.

10.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 10.1 That subject to the result of the pedestrian surveys on Little Horton Lane, an appropriate item for a crossing facility at this location be added to the list of schemes awaiting funding from the Safer Roads budget.

- 10.2 That the lead petitioner is informed accordingly.

11.0 APPENDICES

- 11.1 Appendix 1 – Little Horton Lane – Background information and location plan.

12.0 BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

- 12.1 None.

Petition – Little Horton Lane, Bradford (112 signatures)

Background information

1. The petitioners have requested:

“We the undersigned residents of Little Horton and surrounding areas request Bradford Council to act on our concerns relating to the absence of a formal crossing facility at the junction of Little Horton Lane and Melbourne Place. Many people including children and the elderly cross at this very busy junction to attend local places of worship, children’s nurseries, community centres and three large schools. Crossing at this junction is very dangerous and we feel this is an accident waiting to happen. We urgently demand that the council take immediate action before a serious incident occurs.”

2. Little Horton Lane is a busy route into the city centre that is subject to a 30mph speed limit.
3. There are two existing puffin crossings on this section of Little Horton Lane, at Howard Street (125m) and Woodville Terrace (200m).
4. There have been 4 recorded collisions on Little Horton Lane on the section between (and including) the two existing pedestrian crossing facilities in the last 5 years. These resulted in 7 casualties of which 2 were pedestrians.
5. Subject to a detailed survey and design process, the options for the provision of a crossing facility at this location include:
 - Pedestrian refuge island
 - Zebra crossing
 - Puffin Crossing
6. Pedestrian surveys have been commissioned and the results will determine whether or not a formal crossing facility would be appropriate. If this proves to be the case, a puffin rather than a zebra crossing would be recommended (to avoid a mixture of control methods given the two existing nearby facilities).

Recommendations

7. That, subject to the result of the pedestrian surveys, an appropriate item be added to the list of schemes awaiting funding from the Safer Roads budget.
8. That the lead petitioner be informed accordingly.



