

Report of the Strategic Director Place to the meeting of Bradford West Area Committee to be held on 18th January 2023

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Subject:

LUMB LANE, BRADFORD, TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES - OBJECTIONS

Summary statement:

This report considers objections received to recently advertised proposals for traffic calming measures on Lumb Lane, Bradford.

EQUALITY & DIVERSITY:

It is expected that there will be no disproportionate impact on Equality & Diversity from the project recommended for implementation within this report.

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1. SUMMARY

- 1.1 This report considers objections to recently advertised proposals for traffic calming measures on Lumb Lane, Bradford between Westgate and Green Lane.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The scheme is being progressed on the grounds that a recent study has shown there have been 13 collisions resulting in injury on this section of Lumb Lane in the past 5 years. The records also showed that 4 collisions involved pedestrians.
- 2.2 At the Bradford West Area Committee held on 4th August 2022 funding was approved as part of the Safe Roads schemes programme to extend the existing traffic calming measures on Lumb Lane from Green Lane to Westgate.
- 2.3 The location of the proposed traffic calming measures is shown on drawing no. HS/TRSS/105404/GA-1A, attached as Appendix 1.
- 2.4 The proposals were advertised between 24th November 2022 and 15th December 2022. At the same time consultation letters and plans were delivered to residents affected by the proposals (approximately 215 letters were delivered). This resulted in 2 objections.
- 2.5 A summary of the valid points of objection and corresponding officer comments is tabulated below:

| Objectors Concerns | Officers Comments |
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| <p><u>Objector No 1</u></p> <p>Speed cushions are ineffective against speeding drivers and are dangerous as normal drivers try to find a way over them which will do the least damage to their cars.</p> | <p>All traffic calming features are built to national guidelines. Vehicles travelling over road humps at appropriate speeds should not be detrimental to people or vehicles, provided the features conform to the Highways (Road Hump) Regulations.</p> <p>Physical traffic calming measures are proven to be one of the most successful means of lowering vehicle speeds and delivering significant road safety benefits.</p> |
| <p><u>Objector No 2</u></p> <p>Traffic calming measures are a waste of money. Lumb lane is plagued with bad or illegal parking which causes the most</p> | <p>The scheme is being progressed on the grounds that a recent study has shown that there have been 13 collisions resulting in injury</p> |

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| <p>obstructions. The junction of Lumb Lane and Bowland Street is one of the worst spots. Traffic measures will not change that. There seems to be little, if any, enforcement. Enforce the existing rules and I think you'll find a huge improvement in traffic flow along Lumb Lane.</p> | <p>on this section of Lumb Lane in the past 5 years.</p> |
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2.6 There have also been 4 representations supporting the traffic calming measures.

3. OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

3.1 Ward members and emergency services have been consulted on the proposals and there have been no adverse comments to the advertised proposals. The Police fully support the proposed measures.

4. FINANCIAL & RESOURCE APPRAISAL

4.1 The estimated cost of the proposals is £40,000. The scheme can be promoted and implemented from the Safe Roads budget approved by this committee.

5. RISK MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE ISSUES

5.1 A failure to implement highway safety improvements would result in ongoing concern about the speed of vehicles on Lumb Lane and likelihood of continued collisions/casualties.

6. LEGAL APPRAISAL

6.1 There are no specific issues arising from this report. The course of action proposed is in accordance with the Council's powers as Highway Authority.

7. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

7.1 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

There are no Sustainability implications arising from this report.

7.2 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.

7.3 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

The implementation of traffic calming measures will lead to a reduction in vehicle speeds and therefore help to improve road safety and reduce casualty levels on Lumb Lane.

7.4 HUMAN RIGHTS ACT

There are no implications on the Human Rights Act

7.5 TRADE UNION

None

7.6 WARD IMPLICATIONS

Ward members have been consulted on the proposals.

7.7 AREA COMMITTEE ACTION PLAN IMPLICATIONS

None

7.8 IMPLICATIONS FOR CORPORATE PARENTING

None.

7.9 ISSUES ARISING FROM PRIVACY IMPACT ASSESMENT

None

8. NOT FOR PUBLICATION DOCUMENTS

None

9. OPTIONS

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

9.2 That the objections be upheld and the proposal be abandoned.

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

10. RECOMMENDATIONS

10.1 That the objections be overruled and the proposed traffic calming measures be constructed and implemented as advertised.

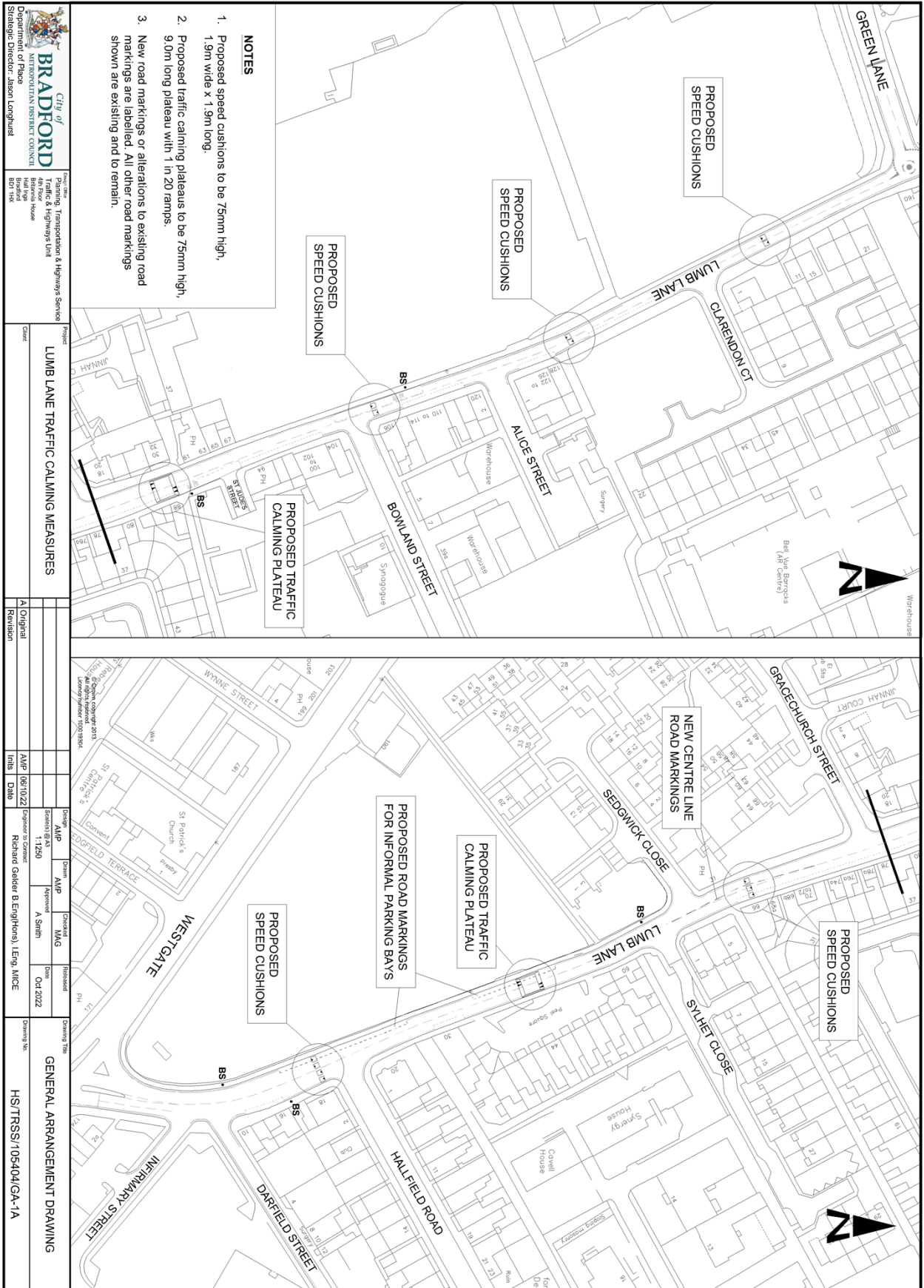
10.2 That the objectors be informed accordingly.

11. APPENDICES

Appendix 1 Drawing HS/TRSS/105404/GA-1A.

12. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

12.1 City of Bradford Metropolitan District Council File Ref: HS/TRSS/105404



- NOTES**
1. Proposed speed cushions to be 75mm high, 1.9m wide x 1.9m long.
 2. Proposed traffic calming plateaus to be 75mm high, 9.0m long plateau with 1 in 20 ramps.
 3. New road markings or alterations to existing road markings are labelled. All other road markings shown are existing and to remain.

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| <p>City of Bradford METROPOLITAN DISTRICT COUNCIL</p> | <p>Planning, Transportation & Highways Service Planning & Highways Unit Business House 4th Floor Bradford BD5 1NQ</p> | <p>Project LUMB LANE TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES</p> | <p>Author A. Original</p> | <p>Design A. Smith</p> | <p>Drawn A. Smith</p> | <p>Checked MAG</p> | <p>Reviewed CH 2022</p> | <p>Drawing No. HS/TRSS/105404/GA-1A</p> |
| | | | <p>Client A. Original</p> | <p>Approved Richard Geller (B.Eng)(Hons), LEgng, MICE</p> | <p>Approved A. Smith</p> | <p>Approved CH 2022</p> | | |

