

# PORTFOLIO HOLDER ENVIRONMENT AND TRANSPORT

# **DECISION NOTICE**

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At the meeting of the Portfolio Holder – Environment and Transport held on 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2023 the following matters were discussed. The decisions of the Portfolio Holder are set out below in each item along with reasons for the decision and other options considered.

**Present:** Councillor S Swinburn (in the Chair)

## DNPH.EHE.17 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest in relation to items on the agenda for this meeting.

### DNPH.EHE.18 PETITION – REQUESTING A ZEBRA CROSSING ON ST NICHOLAS DRIVE, GRIMSBY

The Portfolio Holder considered a report in response to the petition requesting a zebra crossing on St Nicholas Drive, Grimsby.

### **RESOLVED** –

That a scheme to introduce a controlled pedestrian crossing at this location not be progressed at this time but to continue to monitor traffic speeds and volumes along with pedestrian demand and review the situation should further evidence arise of an increase in pedestrian demand or additional road safety concerns be raised. REASONS FOR DECISION - There is currently no data held on file by North East Lincolnshire Council to suggest that there is a significant requirement for the introduction of a formal pedestrian crossing at the location on St Nicholas Drive. There have been no recorded collisions within the vicinity of this location in the last five years, vehicle speeds are well below the posted speed limit (with an offending rate of less than 1%) and the number of pedestrians recorded crossing the road and hence who might benefit from a crossing being very low.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED - None as this was a specific response to a petition for a zebra crossing.

## DNPH.EHE.19 HIGHWAYS WINTER SERVICE POLICY AND OPERATIONAL PLAN (2023-24)

The Portfolio Holder considered a report that requested approval of the highways winter service policy and operational plan (2023-24).

# RESOLVED – That the highway winter service policy and operational plan (2023-24) be approved.

REASONS FOR DECISION - As a highway authority the Council is required to review its policy and operational plan for highway winter service on an annual basis.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED – The report set out minor changes and given the role is a statutory one, it is not considered that there are any other reasonable options. The Council could engage less but that would only reduce potential effectiveness with no material counter benefits.

## DNPH.EHE.20 TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER 23-16: DEANSGATE BRIDGE AND CARTERGATE, GRIMSBY – NO WAITING AT ANY TIME

The Portfolio Holder received a report seeking approval to grant the making of a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) to replace the current limited waiting restrictions (single yellow lines) with 24-hour Prohibition of Waiting restrictions on Deansgate Bridge, and in and around the nearby junction area with Bargate/Cartergate/Dudley Street and Grosvenor Street, Grimsby.

#### **RESOLVED** –

 That the revocation of the TRO for the current limited waiting (single yellow line) restrictions - 'No Waiting 8am – 6pm, Mon – Sat', the extent of which is shown indicatively on the drawing to Appendix One of the report now submitted, be approved.

- 2. That the making of a TRO to introduce 24-hour Prohibition of Waiting (double yellow line) restrictions, the extent of which is shown indicatively on the drawing to Appendix One of the report now submitted, be approved.
- 3. That, in the event there were unresolved material objections to the Order, these be referred back to the Portfolio Holder for Environment and Transport for determination and a decision as to whether or not the Order be confirmed and executed.

REASONS FOR DECISION - The introduction of 24-hour Prohibition of Waiting restrictions is proposed to improve road safety for all road users, by keeping the area free of parked vehicles, which will in turn ensure unobstructed traffic flows and clear visibility for drivers travelling through the busy junction area.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED – Do nothing. This would not be recommended given the road safety issues identified.

### DNPH.EHE.21 SPEED LIMIT ORDER 23-18: KEELBY ROAD, STALLINGBOROUGH

The Portfolio Holder considered a report seeking approval to grant the making of a Speed Limit Order, to make amendments to the current speed limits on Keelby Road, Stallingborough to introduce a 50mph buffer zone between the national speed limit and 40mph zone outside the resident's properties.

### **RESOLVED** –

- 1. That the making of a Speed Limit Order to revoke a section of the current national speed limit (de-restricted road speed limit) in place on a section of Keelby Road, Stallingborough and introduce a new 50mph Speed Limit as shown indicatively on drawing HD043-22/002 to Appendix One of the report now submitted, be approved.
- 2. That, in the event there were unresolved material objections to the Order, these be referred back to the Portfolio Holder for Environment and Transport for determination and a decision as to whether or not the Order be confirmed and executed.

REASONS FOR DECISION - By replacing a section of the national speed limit with a 50mph buffer zone and highlighting the start of the current 40mph speed limit using road markings and supporting signs it is expected that this will help create a safer environment for pedestrians, encourage slower speeds and better compliance.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED – Do nothing. This would not be recommended given the road safety issues identified.