

Cabinet Member for City Services

19 November 2018

Name of Cabinet Member:

Cabinet Member for City Services – Councillor J Innes

Director Approving Submission of the report:

Deputy Chief Executive (Place)

Ward(s) affected:

Woodlands

Title: Petition – Broad Lane – Pedestrian Crossing and Safety Measures

Is this a key decision?

No

Executive Summary:

A petition of 184 signatures (134 paper and 50 e-signatures) has been received requesting a pedestrian crossing at the junction of Jardine Crescent and Broad Lane and further road safety measures along Broad Lane.

In accordance with the City Council's procedure for dealing with petitions, those relating to road safety are heard by the Cabinet Member for City Services. The Cabinet Member had considered this petition prior to this meeting and in response to the request made, requested that the petition was dealt with by letter (determination letter), rather than a formal report being submitted to a meeting, to be able to deal with the matter more efficiently.

The determination letter advised of the action proposed and approved in response to the issues raised. On receipt of the determination letter the petitioner advised they did not wish the petition to be progressed by letter and wanted the issue to be considered at a Cabinet Member for City Services meeting.

The cost of introducing road safety measures, is funded from the Highways Maintenance and Investment Capital Programme budget through the Local Transport Plan.

Recommendations:

Cabinet Member for City Services is recommended to:

1. Note the petitioners concerns;
2. Endorse the action confirmed by determination letter to the petition spokesperson (as detailed in paragraph 1.5 of the report) are undertaken.

List of Appendices included:

Appendix A – Location Plan

Appendix B – Determination letter

Background Papers

None

Other useful documents:

None

Has it been or will it be considered by Scrutiny?

No

Has it been or will it be considered by any other Council Committee, Advisory Panel or other body?

No

Will this report go to Council?

No

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1. Context (or background)

1.1 A petition of 184 signatures (134 paper and 50 e-signatures) has been received requesting a pedestrian crossing at the junction of Jardine Crescent and Broad Lane and further road safety measures along Broad Lane. The petition is supported by Councillor Lepoidevin.

1.2 The petition advises:

'We the undersigned are concerned about the speeding traffic in Broad Lane and the difficulty in crossing this road at the junction of Jardine Crescent and Broad Lane. We are calling for a pedestrian crossing and further road safety measures to reduce speeding along Broad Lane.'

1.3 Broad Lane is a local distributor road with a mixture of both residential and business premises along its route. It is also a bus route. A location plan is shown in Appendix A.

1.4 In accordance with the City Council's procedure for dealing with petitions, those relating to road safety are heard by the Cabinet Member for City Services. The Cabinet Member considered the petition prior to this meeting and in response requested that the issue was dealt with by determination letter rather than a formal report being submitted to a meeting, to be able to deal with the matter more efficiently.

1.5 The determination letter (copy in Appendix B) advised of the importance of targeting road safety measures in the city. Coventry is continuing to work towards becoming a safer speed city and to ensure the funding we have is utilised carefully, we use personal injury collisions reported to the Police. A review of the recorded personal injury collisions that have occurred on Broad Lane between Banner Lane and the A45 has not identified any clusters of collisions. The review also showed that there were no recorded personal injury collisions at or near the site of the requested pedestrian crossing. Therefore, Broad Lane was not prioritised for investigation as part of this year's safety scheme programme. However, the junction of Broad Lane and Jardine Crescent will be added to the programme for the deployment of mobile vehicle-activated signs that react to vehicle speeds. We will also continue to monitor Broad Lane as part of the annual review of recorded personal injury collisions.

2. Options considered and recommended proposal

2.1 The recommended proposals in regard to the issues raised have already been approved and are detailed in the determination letter (Appendix B) and item 1.5.

3. Results of consultation undertaken

3.1 No consultation has been undertaken.

4. Timetable for implementing this decision

4.1 The actions described have already been undertaken.

5. Comments from Director of Finance and Corporate Services

5.1 Financial implications

The cost of deployment of the mobile vehicle activated signs will be funded from the Highways Maintenance and Investment Capital Programme budget through the Local Transport Plan.

5.2 Legal implications

There are no legal implications of the recommended proposal.

6. Other implications

6.1 How will this contribute to achievement of the Council's key objectives / corporate priorities (corporate plan/scorecard) / organisational blueprint / Local Area Agreement (or Coventry Sustainable Community Strategy)?

N/A.

6.2 How is risk being managed?

None

6.3 What is the impact on the organisation?

None

6.4 Equalities / EIA

No specific equalities impact assessment has been carried out.

6.5 Implications for (or impact on) the environment

None

6.6 Implications for partner organisations?

None

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Appendix A



Location Plan – Petition: Broad Lane – Pedestrian Crossing and Safety Measures



Appendix B – Copy of text of determination letter

Re: petitions submitted on 20 March and 10 April 2018

Subject matter: Broad Lane - Pedestrian Crossing and Safety Measures

I am writing with regard to the above petitions and your request for a pedestrian crossing and safety measures on Broad Lane.

The matter was discussed with Councillor Innes, Cabinet Member for City Services, who has requested that this be dealt with by way of letter rather than a formal report being submitted to a future meeting, so it can be dealt with more quickly.

It is important that we target road safety measures in the city. We do this using recorded personal injury collision data to ensure the funding we have is utilised carefully.

A review of the recorded personal injury collisions that have occurred on Broad Lane between Banner Lane and the A45 has not identified any clusters of collisions. The review also showed that there were no recorded personal injury collisions at or near the site of the requested pedestrian crossing. Therefore, Broad Lane was not prioritised for investigation as part of this year's safety scheme programme. However, the junction of Broad Lane and Jardine Crescent will be added to the programme for the deployment of mobile vehicle-activated signs that react to vehicle speeds. We will also continue to monitor Broad Lane as part of the annual review of recorded personal injury collisions.

I would be grateful if you could please confirm in writing, either by email or letter, as soon as possible, that you agree that the petition be progressed by way of this letter. If you do not agree, a report responding to your petition will be prepared for consideration at a future Cabinet Member meeting. You will be invited to attend this meeting where you have the opportunity to speak on behalf of the petitioners.

Yours sincerely

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