Report for: Record of Decision Taken Under Delegated Authority

Item number:

Title: Highgate Avenue N6 - Local Safety Scheme

Report

authorised by: Head of Highways and Parking and

Launghours

Cllr Seema Chandwani, Cabinet Member for Transformation and Public Realm Investment

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Ward(s) affected: Highgate

Report for Key/

Non Key Decision: Non key decision



1.0 Describe the issue under consideration

- 1.1 To report the feedback of statutory consultation carried out from 11 November to 8 December 2020, on proposals to introduce Sinusoidal speed reduction humps along Highgate Avenue between Archway Road and Southwood Avenue. These measures will help reduce vehicular speeds and improve road safety for all road users.
- 1.2 To request approval to proceed to implementation, having taken into consideration the responses to the consultation and officer recommendations.

2.0 Recommendation

- 2.1 In view of a majority support for these proposals, it is recommended that the Cabinet Member for Transformation and Public Realm Investment and the Head of Highways and Parking, grant approval to proceed to implementation, with no amendments.
- 2.2 It is proposed to implement this scheme before the end of this financial year.

3.0 Reasons for decision

3.1 The council is required to consider the feedback received during the Statutory Notification period, in particular any objections to proposals, prior to proceeding to implementation.

4.0 <u>Alternative options considered</u>

4.1 None

5.0 Background Information

- 5.1 Following concerns expressed by residents, ward councillors and Avenue Nursery & Prep-School about road safety on Highgate Avenue, officers are proposing to introduce a scheme to slow traffic speeds and thus improve road safety for all road users at this location.
- 5.2 To help reduce traffic speeds, officers are proposing to introduce sinusoidal speed humps along Highgate Avenue between Archway Road and Southwood Avenue.
- 5.3 Funding has been secured in this financial year 2020/21, via the Local Implementation Plan (LIP) settlements secured from TfL to deliver this scheme.



6.0 Consultation

- 6.1 Ward Councillors were informed of the proposal on 3 November 2020. Cllr Liz Morris confirmed her support for the proposal on 4 November 2020.
- 6.2 Notification documents were distributed to properties in the vicinity of the proposals on 11 November 2020. A copy of the statutory consultation document is shown in Appendix A and a copy of the consultation boundary can be found in Appendix B.
- 6.3 The Notification letter was uploaded on the council's website. Legal Notices were placed on the street and in the local newspaper. A copy of the legal notice is shown in Appendix C.

7.0 Responses to Consultation

7.1 In Appendix D, you can find the full consultation results from which Table 1 – Overview of Support were extracted.

		Count	%
Support or Object	Support	2	67
	Object	1	33
	Total	3	100

- 7.2 A total of 3 responses were received, 2 (67%) in support and 1 (33%) in objection.
- 7.2.1 Objection Highgate Avenue Resident

"Vehicles do not travel that quickly along this road, especially by Archway Rd as they cannot get up speed along such a short stretch of road. Those that speed will do so regardless. Vehicles driving over bumps cause more noise. There could also be a detrimental impact on parking. The Nursery chose to locate there long after the road, so it should put up with the consequences"

Officer Response

The proposed sinusoidal humps on Highgate Avenue comply with the Highways (Road Humps) Regulations 1999 and Traffic Advisory Leaflet (TAL 2/96), these publications provide guidance on the humps and their effectiveness on regulating speed and discouraging inappropriate vehicular speeds. Haringey regards road safety, particularly pedestrian safety, as a high priority and these measures are aimed at improving road safety.



The type of humps proposed have a sinusoidal profile which has a gentler than usual incline, which assists in reducing noise and vibrations whilst effectively reducing traffic speeds. This type of hump is also preferred by cyclists.

Please note, no parking spaces will be lost as a result of this proposal.

8.0 <u>Contribution to strategic outcomes</u>

- 8.1 This scheme will improve road safety for all road users contributing to the delivery of Haringey Corporate Plan Priority 3 (a clean, well maintained and safe borough where people are proud to live and work).
- 9.0 <u>Statutory Officers comments (Chief Finance Officer (including procurement),</u> Assistant Director of Corporate Governance Equalities
- 9.1 Comments of the Head of Legal Services
- 9.1.1 N/A

9.2 Chief Finance Officer Comments

9.2.1 The cost of these works can be contained within the existing budget funded from Transport for London LIP allocation.

9.3 Equal Opportunities

9.3.1 The consultation documents were distributed to all households / businesses within the agreed consultation area to ensure that all stakeholders were made aware of the council's proposals.

9.4 Staff Side Comments

9.4.1 N/A

9.5 Summary and Response

- 9.5.1 During the consultation period, a total of 3no responses were received, 2 (67%) in support and 1 (33%) in objection.
- 9.5.2 One objection to the scheme was received as part of the statutory consultation exercise which is detailed in paragraph 7.2.1 together with an officer response.
- 9.5.3 The project primarily aims to reduce traffic speeds but will also help to dissuade ratrunning traffic and therefore improve road safety to benefit all road users.

10.0 <u>Use of Appendices</u>



- Appendix A Statutory consultation document
 Appendix B Consultation boundary
- Appendix C Legal notice
- Appendix D Full consultation results

Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 11.0

11.1 N/A

