

Report for: Record of Decision Taken Under Delegated Authority

Item number:

Title: Local Safety Scheme – West Green Road Traffic Calming Improvement

Report authorised by: Head of Operations:



Cabinet Member for Environment:

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Ward(s) affected: Woodside

Report for Key/
Non Key Decision: Non key decision

- 1.0 Describe the issue under consideration
 - 1.1 To report the results of the public consultation carried out from 12th July to the 2nd August 2017, on proposed traffic calming improvements on West Green Road
 - 1.2 To request approval to proceed to implementation, having taken objections into consideration.
- 2.0 Recommendation
 - 2.1 In view of a majority support for these proposals, it is recommended that we proceed with the scheme.
- 3.0 Reasons for decision
 - 3.1 The Council is required to formally consider the results of feedback to consultation undertaken on traffic schemes, in particular any objections to proposals prior to proceeding to implementation.
- 4.0 Alternative options considered
 - 4.1 None
- 5.0 Background Information
 - 5.1 Each year Haringey identifies areas which require attention under its local safety scheme (LSS) programme. These areas are identified through analysis of the accident statistics across the borough and a ranked list of areas produced with priority given to those areas most in need of measures to protect vulnerable road users such as cyclists and pedestrians. However, the schemes are engineered for the benefit of all road users.
 - 5.2 West Green Road / Kirkton Road junction has been identified as having a high personal injury accident (PIA) record and therefore, a scheme proposal has been developed to help reduce the PIA rate and improve road safety for all road users.
 - 5.3 The scheme proposal includes the following:
 - Introduce raised entry treatment on Kirkton Road junction with West Green Road

- Relocate the existing zebra crossing approximately 8m east and reduce the carriageway width to reduce pedestrian crossing distance and improve visibility on West Green Road.
- Introduce anti-skid surfacing on the approach to the zebra crossing.

5.4 Statutory Consultation

5.4.1 Local Ward Councillors were informed of the proposals on the 04th July 2017. No objections were received from them.

5.4.2 Public consultation was conducted between 12th July and 2nd August 2017. A copy of the consultation document is attached in Appendix A of this report.

5.4.3 Statutory consultation was carried out on the statutory elements on the scheme alongside the public consultation, no objections were received.

5.5 Responses to Consultation

5.5.1 In Appendix B you can find the full consultation report from which the Summary table below was extracted.

		Count	%
Support or Object	Support	2	40%
	Object	3	60%
	Other view	0	0%
	Total	5	100%

5.5.2 Kirkton Road – Object

“Given the extra charges for clearing green waste - and for extra bins; I think this is a complete waste of money. This road is essentially a cul-de-sac - it is not a rat run and there is no problem with speeding traffic. Why therefore does it need a raised entry? The zebra crossing positioning is not ideal but drivers are courteous when people are crossing - do you have any evidence of road accidents?”

Response: The crossing currently overhangs the Kirkton Road junction which is hazardous to pedestrians using the crossing and therefore requires repositioning.

5.5.3 West Green Road – Object

“Object because the pavement area where the new crossing is proposed is a hang-out for groups of loitering and anti-social men who drink, annoy pedestrians and urinate in the road. Widening the pavement will make an even larger area for the ASB (unless you introduce a public order to stop the loitering like you did outside Wickes in Seven Sisters Road). We need a similar order here because the ASB has been going on for nearly 3 years now”.

Response: The footway buildout will reduce the crossing distances and improve the visibility of pedestrians and vehicles approaching the crossing. The licensing team have been informed about the ongoing antisocial behaviour.

5.5.4 West Green Road – Object

The zebra is really needed in its present location. The notice doesn't say where it will be relocated to.

Response: It was shown on the attached plan that the crossing will be relocated eastward direction for about 8 metres.

6.0 *Contribution to strategic outcomes*

- 6.1 *This project will improve pedestrian accessibility as well as reduce speed of traffic contributing to the delivery of Haringey Corporate Plan Priority 3, "A clean, well maintained and safe borough where people are proud to live."*

7.0 Statutory Officers comments (Chief Finance Officer (including procurement), Assistant Director of Corporate Governance Equalities

7.1 Comments of the Head of Legal Services

7.1.1 N/A

7.2 Chief Finance Officer Comments

- 7.2.1 The cost of these works can be contained within the existing budget funded from the Local Safety Scheme budget

7.3 Equal Opportunities

- 7.3.1 Those proposals will improve road safety for all that location. The consultation documents were distributed to all households / businesses within the agreed consultation area and also placed on the Councils web-site to ensure that all stakeholders were made aware of the Councils proposals.

7.4 Staff Side Comments

7.4.1 N/A

7.5 Summary and Response

- 7.5.1 The scheme proposals have achieved support (40%) from the public consultation carried out from the 12th July to the 2nd August 2017, with 60% objecting to the overall scheme.
- 7.5.2 The primary focus of the objections is towards anti-social behaviour and loitering.
- 7.5.3 The scheme proposals will help in reducing the level of Personal Injury Accidents (PIA) within the scope of the scheme.

8.0 Use of Appendices

- Appendix A – Consultation letter
- Appendix B – Consultation Report

9.0 Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

9.1 N/A

Appendix A
Consultation Letter

12 July 2017

Statutory Notification

West Green Road: Traffic Calming Improvement

Dear Resident or Business,

As part of our Local Safety Scheme budget we have developed proposals for traffic calming improvements on West Green Road.

The key elements of the scheme are set out below and illustrated on the plan overleaf:

- Introduce raised entry treatment on Kirkton Road junction with West Green Road.
- Relocate the existing zebra crossing and reduce the carriageway width to reduce pedestrian crossing distance and improve visibility on West Green Road.
- Introduce anti-skid resistance surfacing on the approach to the zebra crossing.

We believe that this scheme will greatly improve safety and promote sustainable transport for the benefit of all road users.

This notification letter marks the start of a three week period during which we welcome your comments using the enclosed Freepost feedback card. Please ensure that your comments reach us by 2 August 2017. Your feedback will enable us to decide whether we should go ahead with the scheme as planned, or if changes are required.

Thank you for your attention. If you have any queries or additional comments, please email us at frontline.consultation@haringey.gov.uk putting West Green Road in the title line.

Yours faithfully,

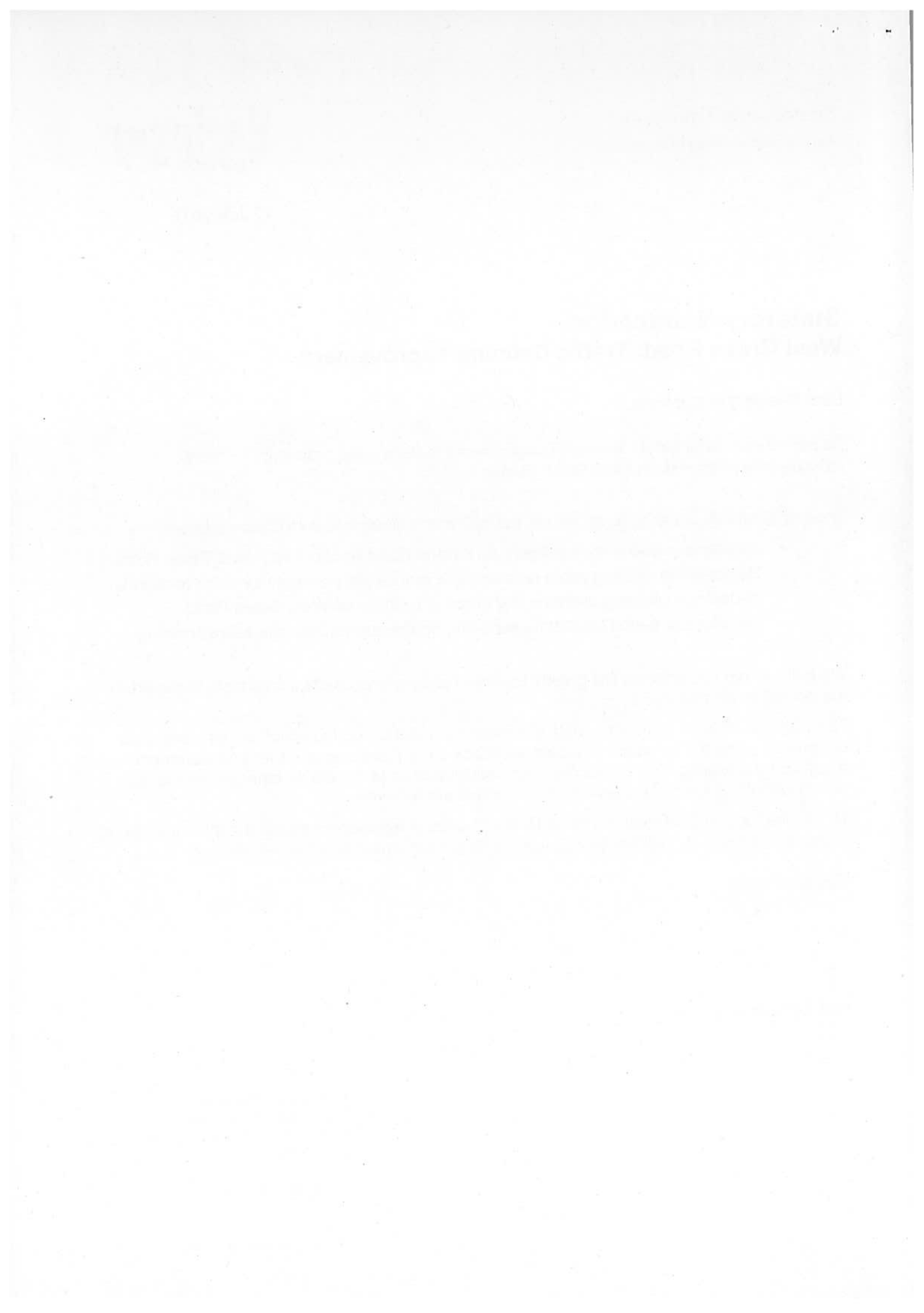


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Example of new style flashing beacons

Build out kerbline to improve visibility and reduce crossing distance,

Proposed buff anti skid resistance surfacing

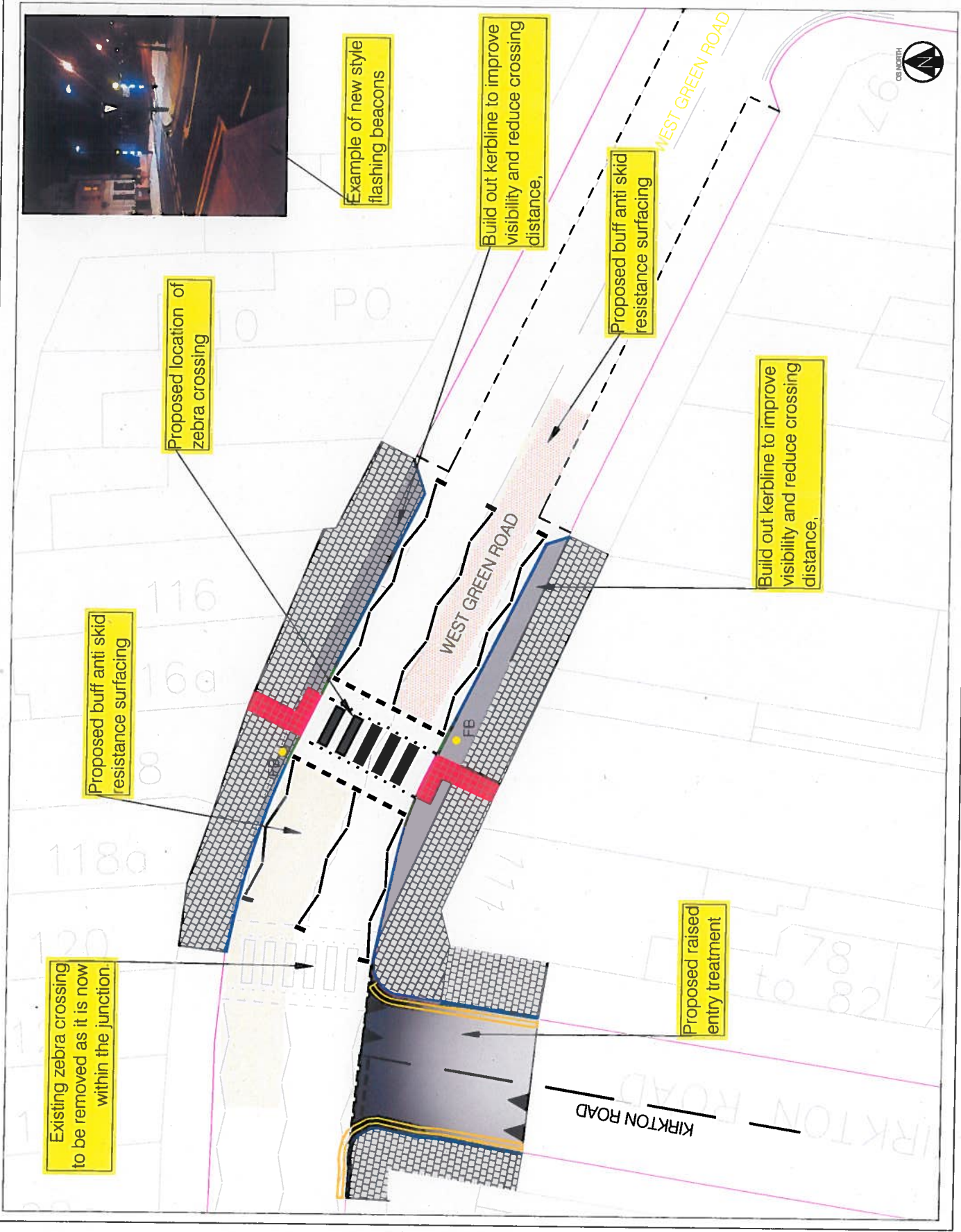
Build out kerbline to improve visibility and reduce crossing distance,

Proposed location of zebra crossing

Proposed buff anti skid resistance surfacing

Existing zebra crossing to be removed as it is now within the junction.

Proposed raised entry treatment



Appendix B
Consultation Response Report

Operations: Highways Engineering

Highways schemes INTERNAL ONLY

INTERNAL Consultation Report August 2017

Statutory Notification

West Green Road – Traffic Calming

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Road name & property no	Support or Object	Comments and suggestions. (give reasons if objecting)
Kirkton Road 97C	Support	Thank you for your letter regarding traffic calming improvement measures on West Green Road. We live on Kirkton Road, near the West Green Road junction. We welcome the changes to try and improve traffic safety in our area. However, the junction of Kirkton Road with West Green Road currently sees significant numbers of people (or to be more precise men) consistently loitering, littering and urinating on our street. This is both people sitting in cars and on the pavement. Our concern is that by building a raised entry treatment, and effectively further pedestrianizing the street, this problem will be further exacerbated. We request that if you do proceed with this plan, that you add measures to monitor and tackle antisocial behaviour for example CCTV monitoring and enforcement to combat littering, public drinking and urination in this spot.
Kirkton Road 62	Support	Your proposals are a good idea. Whilst writing are there any measures that could be undertaken to stop motorcycles using the pedestrian ramps linking Kirkton and Braemar Roads, N15 (through the Community Garden) as a cut through/rat run?
Kirkton Rd 97	Object	Given the extra charges for clearing green waste - and for extra bins; I think this is a complete waste of money. This road is essentially a cul-de-sac - it is not a rat run and there is no problem with speeding traffic. Why therefore does it need a raised entry? The zebra crossing positioning is not ideal but drivers are courteous when people are crossing - do you have any evidence of road accidents?
West Green Road 118	Object	Object because the pavement area where the new crossing is proposed is a hang-out for groups of loitering and anti-social men who drink, annoy pedestrians and urinate in the road. Widening the pavement will make an even larger area for the ASB (unless you introduce a public order to stop the loitering like you did outside Wickes in Seven Sisters Road). We need a similar order here because the ASB has been going on for nearly 3 years now.
West Green Road 115	Object	The zebra is really needed in its present location. The notice doesn't say where it will be relocated to.
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