

AGENDA MANAGEMENT SHEET

Name of Committee North Warwickshire Area Committee
Date of Committee 13th September 2006
Report Title 2006-07 Capital Programme for Transport-Delegated Budget

Summary A request for a modification to the junction of the B5000 Grendon Road and Common Lane in Polesworth has been made by Councillor Stanley. This scheme could be funded from the £40,000 delegated budget allocated to the Area Committee for transport projects to address local priorities. Area Committee is requested to authorise that a consultation with local residents be undertaken prior to the scheme being included in the programme for 2006-07.

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Would the recommended decision be contrary to the Budget and Policy Framework? Yes/No

Background Papers None

CONSULTATION ALREADY UNDERTAKEN:- *Details to be specified*

- Other Committees North Warwickshire Area Committee – 22nd March 2006.
- Local Member(s) Councillor M Stanley
(With brief comments, if appropriate)
- Other Elected Members
- Cabinet Member Councillor M Heatley – for information.
(Reports to The Cabinet, to be cleared with appropriate Cabinet Member)
- Chief Executive

- Legal I Marriott – agreed.
- Finance C Holden – comments incorporated.
- Other Chief Officers
- District Councils
- Health Authority
- Police
- Other Bodies/Individuals

FINAL DECISION **YES/NO** (*If 'No' complete Suggested Next Steps*)

SUGGESTED NEXT STEPS :

Details to be specified

- Further consideration by this Committee To be brought before Committee 29th November 2006 following completion of the consultation.
- To Council
- To Cabinet
- To an O & S Committee
- To an Area Committee
- Further Consultation

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Report of the Strategic Director for Environment and Economy

Recommendation

That a consultation with local residents be undertaken on a proposed improvement to the junction of the B5000 Grendon Road with Common Lane, Polesworth.

1. Introduction

- 1.1 The Transport Capital Programme for North Warwickshire was supported by Area Committee on 22nd March 2006. £40,000 was delegated to North Warwickshire Area Committee to allocate to transport projects to address local priorities.
- 1.2 At Area Committee in March 2006 it was agreed to allocate £10,000 to improvements to lighting on the Service Road on Watling Street, Grendon and to defer the decision regarding allocation of the remainder of the delegated budget until further schemes had been identified. Following a consultation, the scheme on Watling Street, Grendon is to be reviewed in October/November 2006, but may not ultimately proceed.
- 1.3 As Members will recall from the meeting of the Area Committee in July 2006, it was agreed to allocate £6,000 to the modification of two traffic calming humps in Laural Drive, Hartshill. This leaves a remaining £24,000 in the delegated budget to fund further schemes within the Borough during the current financial year (2006-07).

2. Modification of the Junction Layout at B5000 Grendon Road with Common Lane, Polesworth

- 2.1 There are currently two entrances and two exits to Common Lane from the B5000 Grendon Road, Polesworth. The current layout of the junction is shown in **Appendix A** of this report.
- 2.2 Councillor Stanley has requested a modification to this junction so that vehicles turning right into Common Lane can undertake the manoeuvre more safely. At

present vehicles travelling on the B5000 Grendon Road from the Tamworth direction can be confronted by stationary cars waiting to turn right into Common Lane. The view of drivers in this direction is restricted by a hump back canal bridge which is located immediately before the junction.

- 2.3 In order to address this problem, it is proposed that the first junction with Common Lane when travelling from the west is made "No Entry", which would force vehicles to use the second junction to turn right after the grassed triangle. This would allow vehicles on the B5000 more time to see other vehicles making this manoeuvre after the hump back bridge. In order to facilitate this, the second exit to the junction would be made wider, whilst the width of the first exit would be reduced and made left turn only out of Common Lane. It is anticipated that some loss of on-street parking on Common Lane will be required to allow the junction improvement to be implemented.
- 2.4 It is estimated that the scheme as described above will cost in the order of £25,000

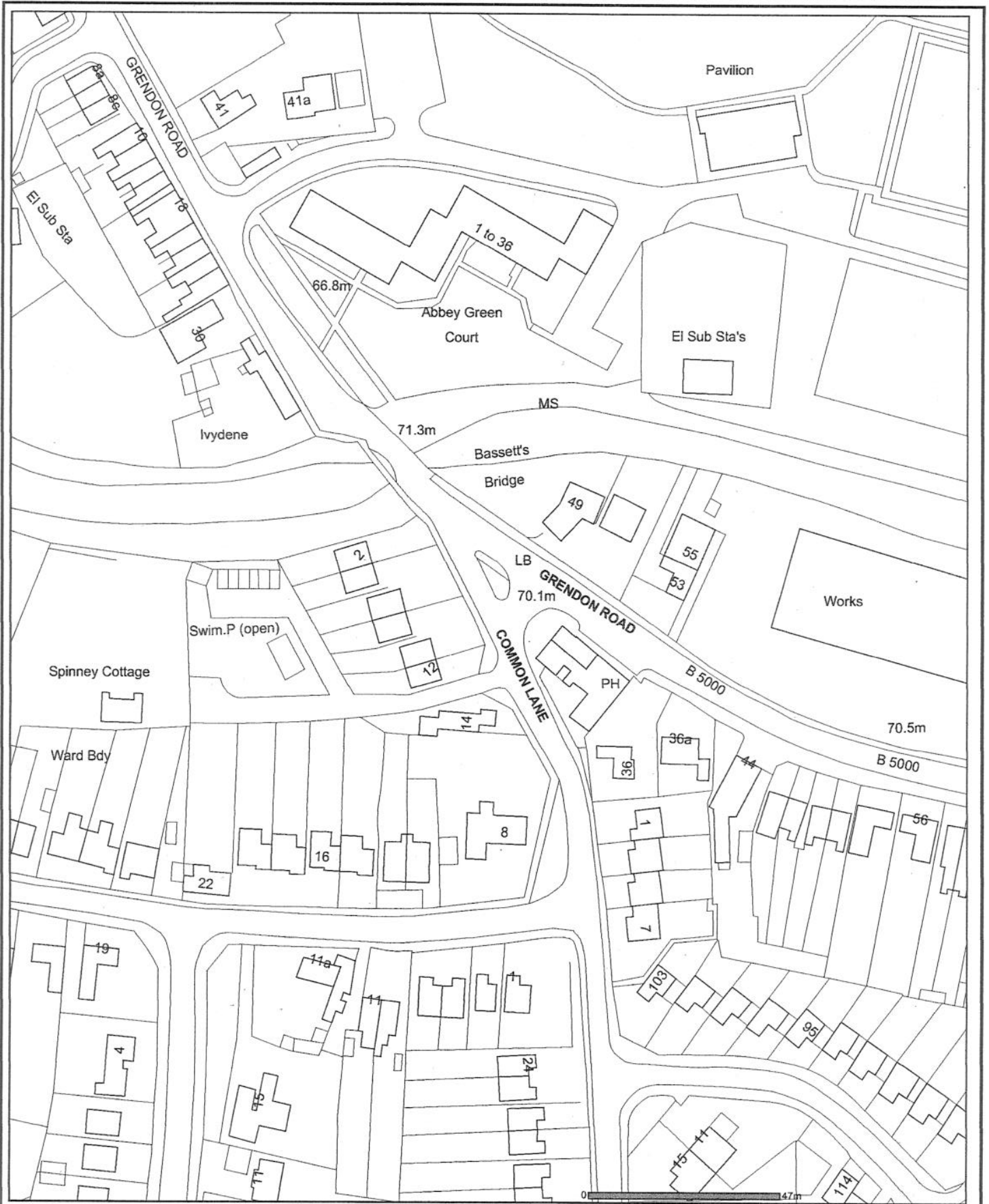
3. Consultation

- 3.1 Given the nature of the proposed junction modification and the potential loss of on-street parking on Common Lane, Area Committee is asked to authorise that a consultation be undertaken with local residents on the proposed junction improvement. The results of the consultation will be reported to the next meeting of the Area Committee on 29th November 2006.

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APPENDIX A OF AGENDA NO.



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Subject

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B5000 Grendon Road junction with Common Lane, Polesworth

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