

## Decision Record – Proposed Zebra Crossing and traffic island - Cape Road Warwick

<b>Cabinet Portfolio Holder taking the decision</b>	Cllr Jeff Clarke Transport and Environment
<b>Date of Decision</b> (not before 17 November 2017)	<b>17/11/2017</b>

<b>Decision Taken</b>
That the Portfolio Holder for Transport and Environment approves the installation of a zebra crossing and traffic island on Cape Road Warwick, in accordance with the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, Section 23 and section 90G of the Highways Act 1980.

<b>Reasons for Decisions</b>
Where objections are submitted to a TRO the Portfolio Holder is required to decide on it.

### Background Information

A request was received from Councillors in the Warwick area for the installation of a safe crossing point on Cape Road Warwick.

The primary purpose of the proposed zebra crossing is to cater for the various pedestrian demands to cross Cape Road in order to access St Mary's Catholic Primary School and other local schools in the Warwick town centre area. This crossing is to be delivered from the School Safety Zones and Routes programme.

The site of the proposed traffic island and zebra crossing is located on Cape Road Warwick. Cape Road is a local road carrying significant traffic flows at peak times. It is also used by local residential traffic, some through traffic and is a well-used bus route serving the Warwick and Leamington areas. It is subject to a 30mph speed limit by virtue of street lighting and frontage development.

The proposed site for the zebra crossing will be just north of the junction with Northgate. The area is predominantly residential, but some commercial premises are located in the area such as the Punch Bowl PH. The now disused Police Station at the junction of Northgate is to be redeveloped into a Medical Centre.

The need for a zebra crossing on Cape Road is to accommodate the various demands for pedestrian movements across the road, including:

- Access routes to St Mary's Catholic School situated in Wathen Road.
- Access to the town centre residential and shopping areas.
- Access for pedestrians to the County Records Office and Priory Park.
- Improved access to medical facilities located in Cape Road, such as the Medical centre, dentists and Doctors located in Cape Road.
- Improved access to parking facilities in Cape Road.
- Improved access to the former Police Station that will be redeveloped to become a Medical Centre

When considering the justification for a crossing, standard criteria based on the numbers of vehicles and pedestrians using a location are calculated. This calculation is known as the PV2 value. To reach the required criteria for a crossing, and comply with the current WCC policy for a zebra crossing the PV2 value should exceed  $0.6 \times 10^8$ . In this location the PV2 value is  $0.83 \times 10^8$  which fully meets these criteria for the installation of a zebra crossing.

A formal consultation for the proposed zebra crossing was carried out between 7th September and 29th September 2017. Advertisements were placed in the Warwick Observer, on street notices were erected, and information was published on Warwickshire County Council's website. This is the normal procedure for any proposed zebra crossing, and goes beyond the legal obligation for this type of facility.

During this period, two objections have been received relating to the proposed crossing.

**Financial Implications**

Capital funding for School Safety Zones and Routes was originally agreed at the full council meeting in February 2015 and was re-approved by Council when it set the 2017/18 budget in February 2017. This scheme will be fully funded from this budget at an approximate cost of £30,000.

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**Checklist**

<b>Urgent matter?</b>	No
<b>Confidential or Exempt?</b> (State the category of exempt information)	No
<b>Is the decision contrary to the budget and policy framework?</b>	No

**List of Reports considered**

Link to published proposed decision report:

<https://democratic.warwickshire.gov.uk/cm5/CalendarofMeetings/tabid/128/ctl/ViewMeetingPublic/mid/645/Meeting/4110/Committee/587/Default.aspx>

**List of Background Papers**

Objections

**Members and officers consulted or informed**

Portfolio Holder – Councillor Jeff Clarke  
 Corporate Board  
 Legal – Ian Marriott  
 Finance – John Betts  
 Equality – Polly Sharma  
 Democratic Services – Paul Williams

Councillors: Chattaway, Shilton, Clarke, Fradgley and Horner  
 Local Councillor: Brain