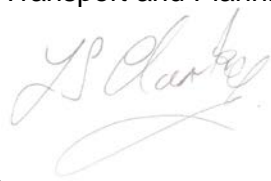


Decision Record – Traffic Signals at C30 Hillmorton Lane / Link Road to Houlton, Rugby: Objections to (1) the installation of traffic signals and (2) the prohibition of turning movements.

Cabinet Portfolio Holder taking the decision	Cllr Jeff Clarke Transport and Planning 
Date of Decision	17 July 2018

Decision Taken

The Portfolio Holder for Transport and Planning:

- (1) Approves the introduction of traffic signals with pedestrian facilities at the junction of C30 Hillmorton Lane / Link Road North as advertised in accordance with the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, Section 23.
- (2) Notes the objections received to The Warwickshire County Council (Link Road North, Rugby) (Prohibition of Right and Left Turns) Order 2017 in respect of Schedule 3 Item 2 (No Left Turn Ban from Hillmorton Lane to Link Road North) and requests that the Developer reviews the requirement for this prohibition.
- (3) Approves the making of The Warwickshire County Council (Link Road North, Rugby) (Prohibition of Right and Left Turns) Order 2017 in part placing Schedule 3 Item 2 (No Left Turn Ban from Hillmorton Lane to Link Road North) on hold.
- (4) Approves the making of The Warwickshire County Council (Link Road North, Rugby) (Prohibition of Right and Left Turns) Order 2017 Schedule 3 Item 2 (No Left Turn Ban from Hillmorton Lane to Link Road North) in the event that no application is made to Rugby Borough Council to amend the planning decision to permit the left turn, or if Rugby Borough Council does not approve such an application.

Reasons for Decisions

Traffic orders that have attracted objections require the approval of the Portfolio Holder.

Background Information

A planning application (R11/0699) was submitted to Rugby Borough Council for an urban extension to Rugby which has become known as Houlton. Planning permission was granted on 01 April 2011 and this includes the requirement on the Developer, a joint venture between Urban and Civic and Aviva Investors, to provide a link road connecting the development to Clifton Road / Butlers Leap traffic signal controlled junction. A new traffic signal controlled junction is also proposed where the link road crosses Hillmorton Lane and shuttle-working traffic signals are proposed at the railway bridge at The Kent.

Public notice was given on 24 February 2017 of the intention to install traffic signals at these three locations and one objection was received to the proposal for Hillmorton Lane / Link Road North. The details of the advertisement, the objection received and the responses to the points made are summarised in Section 2 below.

Subsequently public notice was given on 14 September 2017 of the intention to prohibit various turning movements at the junction and seventeen objections were received. The details of the advertisement, the objections received and the responses to the points made are summarised in Section 3 below.

Where a highway scheme is considered and approved as part of the planning process, the courts have made it clear that the highway / traffic authority is expected to co-operate in its implementation unless some exceptional or changed circumstances call for a different approach.

The amendment of the planning permission conditions would require a further planning application and the agreement of Rugby Borough Council (which would be guided, but not bound by, the advice of the highway / traffic authority).

The County Council intends to enter into a Section 278 agreement with the Developer to undertake the works. Under that agreement the cost of the works will be fully funded by the Developer.

Traffic signal controlled junctions with pedestrian facilities contribute to an integrated pedestrian and cycling network and help reduce conflict between traffic, cyclists and pedestrians, encouraging feelings of safety. These factors are important in encouraging walking and cycling within a community. The design of these facilities takes into account the needs of people with physical and sensory disabilities to ensure equality of opportunity and access.

Financial Implications

Section 278

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Checklist

Urgent matter?	No
Confidential or Exempt? (State the category of exempt information)	No
Is the decision contrary to the budget and policy framework?	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/4402/Committee/593/Default.aspx>

List of Background Papers

N/A

Members and officers consulted or informed

Portfolio Holder – Councillor Jeff Clarke
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 Finance – Liz Firmstone, Virginia Rennie
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