

AGENDA MANAGEMENT SHEET

Name of Committee Warwick Area Committee

Date of Committee 21st March 2006

Report Title A425 Old Warwick Road and B4087 Tachbrook Road, Leamington Spa - Conversion of Two Lengths of Footway into Shared use Footway/Cycleway

Summary It is proposed that the above sections of footway are converted to shared use footway/cycleway to allow the provision of cycle crossing facilities at this junction.

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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

Local Member(s) Councillor M Singh
(With brief comments, if appropriate)

Other Elected Members

Cabinet Member
(Reports to The Cabinet, to be cleared with appropriate Cabinet Member)

Chief Executive

Legal I Marriott – comments noted.

Finance

- Other Chief Officers
- District Councils Warwick District Council - Head of Planning and Engineering, and Planning Department Conservation Team.
- Health Authority
- Police Comments incorporated.
- Other Bodies/Individuals Living Streets, Warwick District Cycle Forum.

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

SUGGESTED NEXT STEPS :

Details to be specified

- Further consideration by this Committee
- To Council
- To Cabinet
- To an O & S Committee
- To an Area Committee
- Further Consultation

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**Report of the Strategic Director of
Environment and Economy**

Recommendation

That Area Committee approves the conversion of sections of footway along the A425 Old Warwick Road and B4087 Tachbrook Road, Leamington Spa to shared use footway/cycleway to allow a cycle crossing facility to be provided at this junction as shown on the plan in **Appendix A**.

1. Background

- 1.1 The County Council is shortly to provide a cycle crossing facility at the junction of Old Warwick Road and Tachbrook Road to improve cycle access to Leamington Spa rail station.
- 1.2 The cycle crossing facility will be implemented in conjunction with a scheme to improve pedestrian crossing facilities at this junction, which is programmed for Spring 2006. Whilst it was envisaged that this cycle crossing facility would be provided as part of a future proposed cycle facility on Tachbrook Road, it is more cost effective to provide the crossing in advance of the cycle route in conjunction with the above works at this junction.
- 1.3 Provision of a cycle crossing facility will require the conversion of adjacent sections of footway to shared use footways/cycleways (see plan in **Appendix A**). The County Council is able to effect such improvements using statutory powers under Section 65 of the Highways Act 1980, after obtaining a resolution from the relevant Area Committee.
- 1.4 Following consultation on the scheme, Warwickshire Police raised some safety concerns regarding the potential for conflict between cyclists and pedestrians on the proposed section of shared use footway. However, the scheme has been subject to a Road Safety Audit, which did not highlight any concerns on this matter.

2. Recommendations


- 2.1 As a part of the Area Committee's powers to determine road traffic management and accident prevention schemes, the Committee is asked to approve the conversion of sections of footways to shared use footway/cycleway facilities, pursuant to Sections 64 and 65 of the Highways Act 1980.

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7th March 2006

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Conversion of footway to shared use footway / cycleway:
Tachbrook Road / Old Warwick Road



 **New toucan crossing**
Sections of footway to be converted to shared use.
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