



DERBY CITY COUNCIL

**AREA PANEL 2  
17 JANUARY 2007**

# ITEM 7b

Report of Cabinet Member, Planning and Transportation

## **Request for a Pedestrian Crossing, Crayford Road, Derby**

### **SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

- 1.1 On 8 November 2006 a petition signed by 180 people was received requesting the provision of a pedestrian crossing on Crayford Road near to the junction with Holbrook Road and Bracknell Drive.
- 1.2 Pedestrian and vehicle surveys have been carried out on Crayford Road, Holbrook Road and Bracknell Drive. The location of the investigation is shown on the attached plan - Appendix 1.
- 1.3 Requests for the installation of pedestrian crossings are assessed using criteria based on national guidance. The criteria is used to assess all types of pedestrian crossing facilities and ensures budgets are used to target areas in greatest need. The adopted criteria uses a minimum threshold below which no further action is recommended. Above the threshold other factors such as the mobility and age of pedestrians, and the speed and composition of traffic are considered. A typical situation which would meet the threshold is 50 pedestrians crossing an hour across a traffic flow of 1000 vehicles.
- 1.4 The highest pedestrian flow recorded on Crayford Road, north of the Holbrook Road junction was between 8am and 9am when 46 people crossed the road. There were 44 children and 2 adults. During this time 583 vehicles used Crayford Road.
- 1.5 The highest pedestrian flow recorded on Crayford Road, between Holbrook Road and Bracknell Drive junctions was between 3pm and 4pm when 122 people crossed the road. There were 113 children and 9 adults. During this time 249 vehicles used Crayford Road.
- 1.6 The highest pedestrian flow recorded on Crayford Road, south of Bracknell Drive junction was between 3pm and 4pm when 51 people crossed the road. There were 42 children and 9 adults. During this time 330 vehicles used Crayford Road.
- 1.7 A review of road injury collisions over the past five years shows that there were no recorded pedestrian injuries on Crayford Road, Holbrook Road and Bracknell Drive at this location. It was also observed that pedestrians crossed easily and safely, waiting a short time to cross. The majority of child pedestrians attended Noel Baker Community School and were able to safely select gaps in traffic when crossing the road.

- 1.8 In conclusion the investigation indicates that the threshold for the installation of a pedestrian crossing is not met. It is recognised that most pedestrians cross Holbrook Road using the pedestrian refuge, then across Crayford Road, between Holbrook Road and Bracknell Drive. A lower number of pedestrians do cross Crayford Road south of the Bracknell Drive junction and also the north of the Holbrook Road junction.
- 1.9 It would be very difficult to build a crossing or refuge on Crayford Road, near to the required pedestrian desire line. This is because of the close proximity of the two junctions Holbrook Road and Bracknell Drive, and the drives to properties.
- 1.10 It should also be noted that a puffin crossing was built last year on Crayford Road outside the shops, near to Boulton Lane following a petition to Area Panel 2. The puffin crossing is between 60 to 200 metres away from the survey area on Crayford Road at the closest and furthest away points, as identified on the attached plan – Appendix 1.

## **PROPOSED ACTION**

- 2.1 To refuse the request for an additional pedestrian crossing on Crayford Road.

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<b>Background papers:</b>	None
<b>List of appendices:</b>	Appendix 1 – Location Plan