



DERBY CITY COUNCIL

## AREA PANEL 2

15 JUNE 2005

Report of the Assistant Director Highways, Transportation and Waste Management

### Request for Pedestrian Crossings Pride Park, Derby

#### SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 1.1 On the 27 October 2004 a petition signed by 49 people was received requesting the provision of pedestrian crossings on Royal Way and Pride Parkway between Derwent Parade and Royal Way. These are shown on the attached plan WNP20002/1.
- 1.2 Requests for the installation of pedestrian crossing facilities 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 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. Typically the threshold is comparable with 50 pedestrians crossing an hour against traffic flows of 1000 vehicles.
- 1.3 The highest pedestrian flow recorded on Royal Way took place between 8 and 9 am when 59 people crossed the road. During this time 1028 vehicles used Royal Way.
- 1.4 The highest pedestrian flow recorded on Pride Parkway took place between 12 and 1 pm when 15 people crossed the road. During this time 865 vehicles used Pride Parkway.
- 1.5 A review of road injury collisions has taken place over the latest five year period where records are available. This shows that there were no recorded pedestrian injuries on Pride Parkway between Derwent Parade and Royal Way, and one pedestrian injury on Royal Way. A pedestrian was recently killed on Pride Parkway following a collision with a car. The collision is thought to have occurred as a result of the driver losing control on the exit of the Derwent Parade roundabout leading towards the city centre.
- 1.6 In conclusion the investigation indicates that the threshold for the installation of a pedestrian crossing facility is not met at Pride Parkway but the minimum threshold is just met at Royal Way.
- 1.7 In the case of Royal Way the road is 8.5m wide, speeds are higher than 30mph and there are establishments nearby generating walking trips. However, the majority of pedestrians are able bodied and there are gaps in traffic streams. In these circumstances a pedestrian refuge is considered the most suitable pedestrian facility.

- 1.8 The crossing facility on Royal Way will be added to the preparation pool of approved Local Transport Plan schemes. The scheme will be designed and implemented, subject to satisfactory consultation, when funding is made available through the annual Local Transport Plan Programme. This will be in addition to proposals for Toucan Crossing at Pride Parkway rear to Egg and our Derwent Parade rear to Pride Park Stadium which have already been approved.

#### **PROPOSED ACTION**

- 2.1 To approve the installation of a pedestrian refuge on Royal Way.
- 2.2 To refuse the request for a pedestrian crossing facility on Pride Parkway.

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<b>Background papers:</b>	None
<b>List of appendices:</b>	None

<b>IMPLICATIONS</b>
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**Financial**

- 1.1 The installation of a pedestrian refuge on Royal Way will cost approximately £5,000.
- 1.2 The costs of this pedestrian crossing facility will be met from the Council's Local Transport Plan budget.

**Legal**

- 2.1 None.

**Personnel**

- 3.1 None.

**Equalities impact**

- 4.1 None.