

AREA PANEL 3 20 SEPTEMBER 2006

Report of the Assistant Director of Highways and Transport

Portland Street area – traffic surveys

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 1.1 Concerns have been raised through the Pear Tree Residents Group meeting regarding traffic speeds and flows on Portland Street, Pear Tree Street, Rutland Street and Harrington Street. As a result the Council were asked to look at the traffic management options. Following initial investigations it was agreed by the Area Panel that consultation should take place with residents and businesses within the area, to determine the preferred method of traffic management.
- 1.2 An exhibition of possible traffic management measures was held at the Pakistani Community Centre on Harrington Street on the 14 June 2006. Three separate schemes were displayed and comments and suggestions of other schemes were actively encouraged.
- 1.3 A total of 42 consultation forms were completed and returned to the City Council. The responses were as follows:
 - Option 1 Short length of one way road on Harrington Street received 3 votes (7% of those who replied)
 - Option 2 Vertical deflections, for example speed cushions, on Harrington Street received 0 votes
 - Option 3 Cross road plateaus received 19 votes (45% of those who replied)
 - A combination of Options 1 and 2 received 16 vote (38% of those who replied)
 - A combination of Options 1 and 3 received 1 vote (2.5% of those who replied)
 - A combination of Options 1, 2 and 3 received 1 vote (2.5% of those who replied)
 - 2 votes were received (5% of those who replied) for none of the suggested schemes.

However, the analysis revealed that all 16 of the replies opting for a combination of Options 1 and 2 were from residents who live outside of the area of investigation. While the replies received for Option 3 were from residents within the immediate Portland Street Area between Rutland Street and Bethulie Road.

1.4. It is important to note that no specific funds exist for the implementation of any works in this area. However, it is intended that the necessary detailed designs should continue so that when funds do become available, implementation can proceed without delay.

1.5 There is a separate report on the agenda entitled 'Consultation on the 2007/08 Highways and Transport '. As part of this report, the Area Panel is requested to identify highways and transport issues for consideration for inclusion in the 2007/08 work programme. It is therefore recommended that this scheme is considered as part of this process.

PROPOSED ACTION

- 2.1 That the Panel support the design and construction of three cross road plateaus on Portland Street, Normanton, as this option received most support from residents of the affected area. See attached plan TMD/104/03/05.
- 2.2 The Panel is requested to consider this report along with the separate report 'Consultation on the 2007/08 Highways and Transport Schemes.' The Panel is requested to decide whether the Portland Road scheme should be put forward for consideration for inclusion in Area Panel 3's highways and transport priority issues.

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Background papers: Background papers held on Portland Street scheme file in Traffic Management

List of appendices: