

STOCKPORT COUNCIL
EXECUTIVE REPORT – SUMMARY SHEET

Subject: Road Safety Around Schools - Bridge Hall Primary School

Report to: (a) Central Stockport Area Committee
2021

Date: Thursday, 21 October

Report of: (b) Corporate Director for Place Management & Regeneration

Key Decision: (c) **NO / ~~YES~~** (Please circle)

Forward Plan ☐ General Exception ☐ Special Urgency ☐ (Tick box)

Summary:

To report the findings of a consultation exercise for the Road Safety around Schools scheme around Bridge Hall Primary School and to seek approval for the implementation of a footway build-out with associated dropped kerbs with tactile paving; pencil bollards, access protection markings, new school warning signs, sign post painting and provision of additional road markings.

Recommendation(s):

The Area Committee is asked to consider and approve the proposals for the Road Safety around Schools – Bridge Hall Primary School scheme.

Relevant Scrutiny Committee (if decision called in): **(d)**
Communities & Housing Scrutiny Committee

Background Papers (if report for publication): **(e)**

There are none.

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‘Urgent Business’: (f) **~~YES~~ / NO** (please circle)

Certification (if applicable)

This report should be considered as ‘urgent business’ and the decision exempted from ‘call-in’ for the following reason(s):

The written consent of Councillor _____ and the Chief Executive/Monitoring Officer/Borough Treasurer for the decision to be treated as ‘urgent business’ was obtained on _____ /will be obtained before the decision is implemented.

Road Safety Around Schools - Bridge Hall Primary School

Report of the Corporate Director for Place Management & Regeneration

1. INTRODUCTION AND PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1. To report the findings of a consultation exercise for the Road Safety around Schools scheme around Bridge Hall Primary School and to seek approval for the implementation of a footway build-out with associated dropped kerbs with tactile paving; pencil bollards, access protection markings, new school warning signs, sign post painting and provision of additional road markings.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1. The Council's overall strategic transport ambition is to increase the number of children walking or cycling to school. In order for this to be achieved, it is important that there are safe route options for children and their families.
- 2.2 To support this ambition, Traffic Services have been working to tackle key concerns which have been raised by schools, residents and local Members. Site investigations have been undertaken to review the operation outside each school and the surrounding roads.

3. PROPOSALS

- 3.1. To reduce the impact of inconsiderate parking and to highlight to passing vehicles that there are likely to be children crossing in the area, Traffic Services consulted with the residents and road users likely to be affected, with the proposals shown on the following drawings 0305/51/BH/001 Rev A and 0305/51/BH/002 Rev A.
- 3.2. The proposals include:
- A footway build-out at the existing uncontrolled crossing on Siddington Avenue to improve visibility for pedestrians;
 - Replacement of existing bollards at the junction of Siddington Avenue / Cuddington Crescent with pencil bollards to highlight to drivers that children will be crossing the road;
 - Relining of the existing road markings at the Siddington Avenue / Cuddington Crescent junction;
 - Provision of school warning signs on Siddington Avenue;
 - Provision of access protection markings on Cuddington Crescent at properties with dropped kerbs;
 - Provision of kerb blips on Cuddington Crescent to reinforce the existing No Loading restrictions (8am – 5pm Monday to Friday);
 - Existing sign posts on Cuddington Crescent to be painted to highlight the school entrance; and

- An upgrade of the school warning signage on Adswood Road including provision of 'School 20 When Lights Show' signage to encourage vehicles to slow down at school times.

4. LEGAL POSITION/IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1. There are no Traffic Management Orders proposed to support the Road Safety around Schools – Bridge Hall Primary School scheme.

5. CONSIDERATION OF ALTERNATIVE SOLUTIONS

- 5.1. No alternative proposals or solutions were considered.

6. CONSULTATION

- 6.1. The Local Ward Councillors have been consulted and no adverse comments were received.
- 6.2. A total of 21 letters, with freepost return envelopes, were delivered and 4 on-street notices were placed on lighting columns in proximity to the proposed works. The letter and on-street notices provided a link to the 'have your say' webpage (www.stockport.gov.uk/haveyoursay) where information was posted about the proposed scheme along with a copy of the proposal drawings to enable residents to provide their views online. Additional hard copies of the survey could have been requested by contacting SchoolRoadSafety@stockport.gov.uk but no such requests were received.
- 6.3. As part of the consultation we received 1 written reply (5%) of which 1 (100%) was in favour and 0 (0%) were against the proposals. No responses were received online.
- 6.4. The resident who agreed with the proposals provided no further comment.

7. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1. The scheme will be funded from the Road Safety around Schools programme budget allocation.

8. TIMESCALES

- 8.1. Should the proposals be approved, the scheme should be ready for implementation in spring/summer 2022.

9. EQUALITIES/COMMUNITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

- 9.1. Equal Opportunities
 - To provide a suitable and safer environment for pedestrians and other road users. The scheme contributes to the Council's vision statement "Promote equal life outcomes for all by tackling known inequalities across the borough of Stockport".

9.2. Sustainable Environment

- To develop and sustain a healthy, safe and attractive local environment which contributes to Stockport. Stockport Council understands the responsibility it has to lead by example and help the broader community make a positive contribution to the local environment.

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

10.1. To consider and approve the following proposals:

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Background Papers

There are no background papers to this report.

Anyone wishing further information please contact Caroline Aylmer-Shanks by email at c.aylmer-shanks@stockport.gov.uk