

**STOCKPORT COUNCIL**  
**EXECUTIVE REPORT – SUMMARY SHEET**

**Subject: Road Safety Around Schools - Outwood Primary School**

**Report to: (a)** Cheadle Area Committee  
2022

**Date:** Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> April

**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 Outwood Primary School and to seek approval for the introduction of Traffic Regulation Orders (TROs) and associated signage, implementation of bollards and dropped kerbs with tactile paving; road markings and new school warning signs.

**Recommendation(s):** The Area Committee is asked to consider and approve the proposals for the Road Safety around Schools – Outwood 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.

Contact person for accessing  
background papers and discussing the report

**Officer:** Caroline Aylmer-Shanks

**‘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 - Outwood 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 Outwood Primary School and to seek approval for the introduction of Traffic Regulation Orders (TROs) and associated signage, implementation of bollards and dropped kerbs with tactile paving; road markings and new school warning signs.

**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.
- 2.3. Traffic Services are aware that a site off Wilmslow Road currently under development by Bloor Homes has outline permission for 325 dwellings on the site and a subsequent reserved matters approval for the first phase of 202 dwellings. Pedestrian / cycle connectivity has been considered as part of the development application as detailed below.
- 2.4. The development will deliver a new site entrance opposite Queensway to be formed as a traffic signal-controlled junction with integrated pedestrian and cycle crossing facilities.
- 2.5. Further crossing facilities are proposed on Wilmslow Road to the northerly and southerly ends of the development site frontage, the detail for which is being progressed as part of the requisite Highways Agreement for works to be undertaken within the highway.
- 2.6. Within the site an east-west segregated footway cycleway is proposed, from the site entrance with potential to connect to the A34. Shared footway cycleways will also be constructed to assist movement across the development site and connecting to the crossing points to be provided to the northerly and southerly ends of the site frontage.
- 2.7. Along Wilmslow Road, infrastructure improvements for cyclists are being progressed under the terms of the requisite Highways Agreement, to deliver off carriageway connectivity between the Wilmslow Road junctions with Syddall Avenue and Bolshaw Road.

### **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 Drawing No. 0305/57/OP/001 Rev A.

3.2. The proposals include:

- Replacement of the school warning signage on Outwood Road;
- Provision of two pencil bollards on the northern side of Outwood Road to highlight the pedestrian entrance to the school;
- 20mph repeater signs along Outwood Road to remind drivers of the speed limit;
- Amendment of the 'No Waiting at Times Shown' from 8:30-9:00am and 3:15-4:30pm Monday to Friday to 8:00-9:30am and 2:30-4:00pm Monday to Friday;
- Introduce 'No Loading at Times Shown' on Outwood Road to align with the 'No Waiting at Times Shown' restrictions;
- Introduction of 'No Waiting at Any Time' restrictions at the junctions of Outwood Road with Gloucester Road and Viscount Drive to support Rule 243 of the Highway Code which prohibits parking within 10m of a junction;
- Access protection markings for dwellings with dropped kerb driveways onto Outwood Road;
- Provision of dropped kerbs and tactile paving at the vehicular access to the school; and
- Re-lining of the School Keep Clear markings

### **4. LEGAL POSITION/IMPLICATIONS**

4.1. The Traffic Management Orders would be made under Section 1 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984. The Council is required by the Local Authorities Traffic Order (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulations 1996 to give notice of its intention to make a Traffic Order (by publishing a draft traffic order). These regulations also require the Council to consider any representations received as a result of publishing the draft Order.

### **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 53 letters, with freepost return envelopes, were delivered and 5 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](http://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 feedback online. Additional hard copies of the survey could have been requested by contacting [SchoolRoadSafety@stockport.gov.uk](mailto:SchoolRoadSafety@stockport.gov.uk) but no such requests were received.

- 6.3. As part of the consultation we received 8 written replies (15%) and 1 online response. All 9 (100%) were in favour, 0 (0%) neither agreed nor disagreed with the proposals and 0 (0%) were against the proposals. 4 (44%) residents strongly agreed and 5 (56%) residents agreed with the proposals.
- 6.4. Whilst the proposals were supported by all of the residents who responded, a number of the residents provided comments on the proposals as discussed below.
- 6.5. Two respondents suggested that enforcement of the proposed restrictions would be key to the success of the proposals. This point is acknowledged by the traffic team and additional enforcement visits will be undertaken following introduction of the new measures.
- 6.6. Two residents requested residents permit parking. The Road Safety around Schools budget cannot however accommodate a proposal for a Resident Parking Scheme. Should there be sufficient support for this it would need to be progressed by residents requesting a new scheme, information available at the following website <https://www.stockport.gov.uk/parking-permits>.
- 6.7. One resident requested that the 20mph zone be term time only. It is considered that the 20mph zone provides benefits to the residents all year around and so it is recommended that no changes be made to the existing 20mph speed limit.
- 6.8. No amendments are proposed to the Road Safety around Schools scheme in response to the consultation feedback received.

## **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 proposals, and recommend that the Area Committee approves the legal advertising of the Traffic Regulation Orders set out within Appendix A and subject to no objections being received within 21 days from the advertisement date, the orders can be made.

### **Background Papers**

There are no background papers to this report.

Anyone wishing further information please contact Caroline Aylmer-Shanks on telephone number or by email on [c.aylmer-shanks@stockport.gov.uk](mailto:c.aylmer-shanks@stockport.gov.uk)

## Appendix A

### REVOCATION OF TROs

Revocation of existing No Waiting MONDAY - FRIDAY, 08:30-09:00 and 15:15-16:30 (Grid Ref D42)

Location	Extent
<b>Outwood Road (Northern Side)</b>	From a point 27 metres west from the intersection of the western kerbline of Viscount Drive for a distance of 24 metres in a north-westerly direction.
<b>Outwood Road (Northern Side)</b>	From a point 10 metres north-west of the Outwood Primary school access road for a distance of 23 metres in a north-westerly direction.
<b>Outwood Road (Northern Side)</b>	From the projected western kerbline of Gloucester Road for a distance of 57 metres in a north-westerly direction.

Revocation of NO WAITING AT ANY TIME

**Note: There is a discrepancy between on-site road markings and what is shown within the consolidation order**

#### On-Site

Location	Extent
<b>Outwood Road (Northern Side)</b>	From a point 9 metres east of the intersection of the eastern kerbline of the Outwood Primary school access road to a point 10 metres north-west of the intersection of the western kerbline of the Outwood Primary school access road.
<b>Outwood Road (Southern Side)</b>	From a point 9 metres east of the intersection of the eastern kerbline of Gloucester Road to a point 8 metres west of the western kerbline of Gloucester Road.

#### Consolidation Order

Location	Extent
<b>Outwood Road (Northern Side)</b>	From a point 9.5 metres east of the intersection of the eastern kerbline of the Outwood Primary school access road to a point 10 metres north-west of the intersection of the western kerbline of the Outwood Primary school access road.
<b>Outwood Road (Southern Side)</b>	From a point 14.5 metres east of the intersection of the eastern kerbline of Gloucester Road to a point 8 metres west of the western kerbline of Gloucester Road.

Revocation of NO STOPPING MONDAY – FRIDAY, 8am – 5pm ON SCHOOL KEEP CLEAR MARKINGS

Location	Extent
<b>Outwood Road (Northern Side)</b>	From the projected western kerbline of Gloucester Road for a distance of 25.5m in a south-easterly direction.

**PROPOSED TRO SCHEDULE**

NO WAITING AT ANY TIME

Location	Extent
<b>Outwood Road (Northern Side)</b>	From a point 11 metres east of the intersection of the eastern kerbline of Viscount Drive to a point 11 metres west of the western kerbline of Viscount Drive.
<b>Viscount Drive (Both Sides)</b>	From the intersection of the northern kerbline of Outwood Road for a distance of 10 metres in a northerly direction.
<b>Outwood Road (Northern Side)</b>	From a point 9 metres east of the intersection of the eastern kerbline of the Outwood Primary school access road to a point 10 metres north-west of the intersection of the western kerbline of the Outwood Primary school access road.
<b>Gloucester Road (Both Sides)</b>	From the intersection of the southern kerbline of Outwood Road for a distance of 5.5 metres in a south-westerly direction.
<b>Outwood Road (Southern Side)</b>	From a point 9 metres east of the intersection of the eastern kerbline of Gloucester Road to a point 10 metres west of the western kerbline of Gloucester Road.

NO WAITING MONDAY – FRIDAY, 08:00-09:30 and 14:30–16:00

Location	Extent
<b>Outwood Road (Northern Side)</b>	From a point 11 metres west of the intersection of the western kerbline of Viscount Drive for a distance of 40.5 metres in a north-westerly direction.
<b>Outwood Road (Northern Side)</b>	From a point 10 metres north-west of the Outwood Primary school access road for a distance of 23 metres in a north-westerly direction.
<b>Outwood Road (Northern Side)</b>	From the projected western kerbline of Gloucester Road for a distance of 57 metres in a north-westerly direction.

NO LOADING MONDAY – FRIDAY, 08:00-09:30 AND 14:30 – 16:00

<b>Location</b>	<b>Extent</b>
<b>Outwood Road (Northern Side)</b>	From the intersection of the western kerblineline of Viscount Drive for a distance of 62 metres in a westerly direction.
<b>Viscount Road (Western side)</b>	From the intersection of the northern kerblineline of Outwood Road for a distance of 10 metres in a northerly direction.

NO STOPPING MONDAY – FRIDAY, 8am – 5pm ON SCHOOL KEEP CLEAR MARKINGS

<b>Location</b>	<b>Extent</b>
<b>Outwood Road (Northern Side)</b>	From the projected western kerblineline of Gloucester Road for a distance of 25.5m in a south-easterly direction.