STOCKPORT COUNCIL EXECUTIVE REPORT – SUMMARY SHEET

Subject: Road Safety Around Schools - St Thomas' C of E Primary School
Report to: (a) Central Stockport Area CommitteeDate: Thursday, 23rd June2022
Report of: (b) Director for Place Management
Key Decision: (c)NO / YES (Please circle)
Forward Plan General Exception Special Urgency (<i>Tick box</i>)
Summary: To report the findings of a consultation exercise for the Road Safety around Schools scheme around St Thomas' C of E Primary School and to seek approval for the introduction of Traffic Regulation Orders (TROs) and associated signage and widening of the existing speed hump.
Recommendation(s): The Area Committee is asked to consider and approve the proposals for the Road Safety around Schools – St Thomas' C of E 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 Officer: Caroline Aylmer-Shanks background papers and discussing the report
'Urgent Business': (f) ¥ES / 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 - St Thomas' C of E 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 St Thomas' C of E Primary School and to seek approval for the introduction of Traffic Regulation Orders (TROs) and widening of an existing speed hump.

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 improve pedestrian access to the school, encourage lower vehicular speeds on approach to the school and reduce the impact of inconsiderate parking, Traffic Services consulted with the residents and road users likely to be affected with the proposals shown on Drawing No. 0305/27/ST/001 Rev A.
- 3.2. The proposals include:
 - Relocation of the existing school 20mph zone signage at the eastern end of Marriott Street to improve visibility;
 - Relocation of the existing school 20mph zone signage to the western end of Marriott Street to extend the area covered; and
 - Widening of the existing speed cushion on Marriott Street to provide an uncontrolled crossing point; and
 - Introduction of 'No Loading at Times Shown' restrictions on Marriott Street to align with the 'No Waiting at Times Shown' restrictions.

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 other alternatives were considered

6. CONSULTATION

- 6.1. The Local Ward Councillors have been consulted and no adverse comments were received.
- 6.2. A total of 40 letters, with freepost return envelopes, were delivered and 9 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 (<u>www.stockport.gov.uk/haveyoursay</u>) 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 <u>SchoolRoadSafety@stockport.gov.uk</u> but no such requests were received.
- 6.3. As part of the consultation we received 0 written replies (0%) and 0 online response.
- 6.4. Whilst there were no responses received as part of the consultation it is considered that the proposed measures will improve pedestrian access to the school and reduce inconsiderate parking. It is therefore recommended that the measures are implemented with a minor amendment to several TROs as described below.
- 6.5. In order to streamline the TROs in use across SMBC it is proposed to amend the 'No Loading Monday to Friday 8:30-9:30am and 2:30-4pm' restrictions to match an existing TRO with reduced loading restrictions: 'No Loading Monday to Friday 8:15-9:15am and 2:45-3:45pm'. The school currently starts at 8:55am and finishes at 3pm so these amended restrictions are still considered to be appropriate.
- 6.6. It is also proposed to amend the times of the existing 'No Waiting Monday-Saturday 8am-6:30pm' and 'Limited Waiting 1 Hour Monday to Saturday 8am-6:30pm No Return within 1 Hour' to align with the times of the Pay & Display bays on St Thomas Place, and other nearby streets, which are in effect Monday Saturday 8am-6pm. This will lead to a reduction in the times covered by the parking restrictions and will improve consistency in the parking restrictions within the immediate vicinity of the school.
- 6.7. The TROs along Marriott Street, St Thomas Place and Chadwick Street are therefore proposed to be revoked and advertised to include the amendments described above. These amendments have been included within the TRO schedule set out in Appendix A and shown on Drawing No 0305/27/ST/002 Rev A.

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 winter 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 by email on c.aylmer-shanks@stockport.gov.uk

Appendix A

REVOCATION OF TROs

Revocation of all moving and static TROs on Marriott Street and St Thomas's Place, their entire length (Grid Ref: L24, M24 & M23).

PROPOSED TRO SCHEDULE

20 MPH SPEED LIMIT

Location	Extent
Marriott Street and St Thomas's Place (Both Directions)	Marriott Street from the intersection of the western kerbline of Higher Hillgate to its junction with St Thomas's Place, and St Thomas's Place from its junction with Marriott Street to the intersection of the eastern kerbline of Wellington Road South.
Chadwick Street (Both Directions)	Entire length

NO WAITING AT ANY TIME

Location	Extent
St Thomas's Place (Northern Side)	From the intersection of the eastern kerbline of Wellington Road South for a distance of 15 metres in a north-easterly direction.
St Thomas's Place (Northern Side)	From a point 7 metres south-west of the intersection of the western kerbline of the Wellington House access road to a point 4 metres north-east of the eastern kerbline of the Wellington House access road.
St Thomas's Place (Northern Side) and Marriott Street (Western and Northern Sides)	From a point 5.5 metres south-west of the intersection of the western kerbline of the Mac Court access road to a point 7.5m north-east of the intersection of the eastern kerbline of the Mac Court access road.
St Thomas's Place (Southern Side)	From the intersection of the easterly kerbline of Wellington Road South for a distance of 13.5 metres in a north-easterly direction.
St Thomas's Place (Southern Side)	From a point 5 metres south-west of the intersection of the western kerbline of Chadwick Street to a point 5 metres north-east of the intersection of the eastern kerbline of Chadwick Street.
St Thomas's Place (Southern Side)	From a point 32.5 metres north-east of the intersection of the eastern kerbline of Chadwick Street for a distance of 12.5 metres in a north-easterly direction.
Marriott Street (Northern Side)	From the intersection of the western kerbline of Higher Hillgate for a distance of 109.5 metres in a south-westerly direction.

NO WAITING AT ANY TIME / NO LOADING MONDAY – FRIDAY, 08:15-09:15 and 14:45–15:45

Location	Extent
Marriott Street	From a point 7.5 metres north-east of the
(Northern then Western Side)	intersection of the eastern kerbline of the Mac
	Court access road in a north-easterly direction
	along St Thomas's Place, then northerly along
	Marriott Street, then north-easterly along
	Marriott Street to a point 21 metres east of the
	westerly kerbline of Marriott Street.

NO WAITING MONDAY - SATURDAY, 8AM-6PM

Location	Extent
Marriott Street (Southern Side)	From a point 11.5m south-west of the intersection of the western kerbline of Higher
	Hillgate for a distance of 48m in a south-
	westerly direction.

NO WAITING MONDAY – SATURDAY 8AM-6PM / NO LOADING MONDAY – FRIDAY, 08:15-09:15 and 14:45–15:45

Location	Extent
Marriott Street	From a point 137 metres south-west of the
(Southern then Eastern Side)	intersection of the western kerbline of Higher
	Hillgate for a distance of 47.5 metres in a
	south-westerly and then southern direction.

NO STOPPING MONDAY – FRIDAY, 8AM – 5PM ON SCHOOL KEEP CLEAR MARKINGS

Location	Extent
Marriott Street	From a point 21 metres east of the western
(Northern Side)	kerbline of Marriott Street for a distance of
	25.56 metres in an easterly direction.

Location	Extent
St Thomas's Place	From a point 15.5 metres north-east of the
(Northern Side)	intersection of the eastern kerbline of
	Wellington Road South for a distance of 26.5
	metres in a north-easterly direction.
St Thomas's Place	From a point 4 metres north-east of the
(Northern Side)	intersection of the eastern kerbline of the
	Wellington House access road for a distance of
	27.5m in a north-easterly direction.
St Thomas's Place	From a point 5 metres south-west of the
(Southern Side)	intersection of the western kerbline of Chadwick
	Street for a distance of 39.5 metres in a south-
	westerly direction.
St Thomas's Place	From a point 5 metres north-east of the
(Southern Side)	intersection of the eastern kerbline of Chadwick
	Street for a distance of 27.5 metres in a north-
	easterly direction.

LIMITED WAITING 1 HOUR MONDAY – FRIDAY, 8AM-6PM, NO RETURN WITHIN 1 HOUR

Location	Extent
Marriott Street	From a point 59.5 metres south-west of the
(Southern Side)	intersection of the western kerbline of Higher
	Hillgate for a distance of 77.5 metres in a
	south-westerly direction.