

STOCKPORT COUNCIL
EXECUTIVE REPORT – SUMMARY SHEET

Subject: Turves Road/Highfield Road, Cheadle Hulme - Improvements

Report to: (a) Bramhall & Cheadle Hulme South Area Committee
Thursday, 26 January 2023

Date:

Report of: (b) Director for Place Management

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

Forward Plan General Exception Special Urgency (Tick box)

Summary:

To seek approval for yellow box hatch markings to be installed at the signalised junction of Turves Road & Highfield Road, Cheadle Hulme.

Recommendation(s):

The Director for Place Management requests that the Bramhall & Cheadle Hulme South Area Committee comment on this report and recommends that the Cabinet Member for Highways, Parks & Leisure Services approves the installation of the yellow hatch markings at signalised junction of Turves Road/Highfield Road, Cheadle Hulme.

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

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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.

AGENDA ITEM

Turves Road/Highfield Road, Cheadle Hulme - Improvements

Report of the Director for Place Management

1. INTRODUCTION AND PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To seek approval for yellow box hatch markings to be installed at the signalised junction of Turves Road & Highfield Road, Cheadle Hulme.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1. It has been reported that vehicles are blocking the junction after the traffic signals have changed.
- 2.2. Due to the bus stop being so close to the junction, as and when a bus stops here vehicles are waiting within the junction. The traffic signals change, and pedestrians start to cross the road but as the bus moves the vehicles that are within the junction also move, and are therefore, putting other highway users at unnecessary risk.

3. PROPOSALS

- 3.1. To address these safety concerns, it is proposed to install yellow box hatch markings. These proposals are shown on **Drawing No. NM18/Turves Road-Highfield Road**.
- 3.2. These proposals will also compliment the Highway Code Rule 174 Box junctions which states: You **MUST NOT** enter the box until your exit road or lane is clear. However, you may enter the box and wait when you want to turn right, and are only stopped from doing so by oncoming traffic, or by other vehicles waiting to turn right.
- 3.3. These proposals have been discussed with Urban Traffic Control (UTC).

4. LEGAL POSITION/IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1. Yellow box markings are subject to Section 36 of the Road Traffic Act 1988 (paragraph 2.4, regulation 10) and therefore, can be enforced without an underpinning Traffic Regulation Order.

5. CONSIDERATION OF ALTERNATIVE SOLUTIONS

- 5.1. In this instance, there were two potential options; relocate the bus stop or install yellow hatch markings. The yellow hatch markings being the most favourable option as to relocate the bus stop will move it away from the shops and may affect residents' driveways and prove problematic.

6. CONSULTATION

- 6.1. No public consultation is required.

6.2. Urban Traffic Control (UTC) support these proposals.

7. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

7.1. The scheme will be funded by the Traffic Road Safety Budget.

8. TIMESCALES

8.1. 8 weeks.

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. The Director for Place Management request that the Bramhall & Cheadle Hulme South Area Committee comment on this report and recommends that the Cabinet Member for Highways, Parks & Leisure Services approves the installation of the yellow hatch markings at the signalised junction of Turves Road & Highfield Road, Cheadle Hulme.

Background Papers

There are no background papers to this report.

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