

## **Delegated Decision**

# **Adoption of Highways – Development at Laburnum Road, Oldham – Damson Close**

Report of: Deputy Chief Executive – People and Place

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### **Reason for Decision**

To obtain approval for the adoption of highways as Highway Authority and to identify the likely associated revenue costs to the Council.

### **Executive Summary**

The schedule lists the highways to become adopted as maintainable at the public expense.

### **Recommendation**

It is recommended that the highways listed in Schedule 1 of this report be adopted as highways maintainable at public expense.

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### **1 Background**

1.1 This report is the conclusion of the process by which a private developer constructs highways for maintenance at the public expense for the benefit of the development.

### **2 Current Position**

2.1 The highways in Schedule 1 described below and indicated on the attached location plans, have been constructed in accordance with the approved specification for highways to be adopted.

### **3 Schedule 1**

#### **3.1 Development at Laburnum Road, Oldham**

Damson Close	From the existing adopted highway at Laburnum Road and continuing in a south westerly direction to its cul-de-sac end for a distance of 47.5 metres with an associated turning head with an average length of 9.1 metres  Area = 597.4m <sup>2</sup>
Additional Pedestrian Footway	From the cul-de-sac end of Damson Close and continuing for a distance of 16 metres in a south westerly direction at the gable of No 5 Damson Close and No 75 Lower Lime Road to join the existing adopted footpath at the gables of Nos 71 and 75 Lower Lime Road, with a width of 2.75 metres  Area = 42.75m <sup>2</sup>

### **4 Actions Proposed**

4.1 The following action is proposed:

to adopt, on behalf of the Council as Highway Authority, the highways specified in Schedule 1 above as highways maintainable at public expense, effective immediately.

### **5 Options/Alternatives**

5.1 Option 1: To approve the recommendation.

5.2 Option 2: Not to approve the recommendation.

## 6 Preferred Option

6.1 The preferred option to approve is Option 1.

## 7 Financial Implications

### Revenue Implications

7.1 This proposal will increase maintenance costs as follows: -

<b><u>Item</u></b>	<b><u>Annual Cost</u></b>	<b><u>Cost Centre</u></b>
Adoption of 640.15 square m of Highway (£0.70 per square m)	£448.11	40350
3 additional lighting Columns (£90 per column)	£270.00	40400
<b>Total maintenance cost per annum</b>	<b>£718.11</b>	

7.2 The maintenance cost in respect of the adoption of the highway/footway will be met from an existing Highways Operations budget (cost centre 40350). If there are pressures in this area as the financial year progresses, the Directorate will have to manage its resources to ensure that there is no adverse variance at the year end.

7.3 There are an additional 3 lighting columns which will increase the Council's commitment for the maintenance of street lighting equipment based on an annual maintenance figure of £90.00 per column. This will increase annual maintenance charges by £270.00. This cost will be met from the existing Street Lighting budget (cost centre 40400), and the Directorate will have to manage resources to ensure there is no adverse variance at year end.

### Capital Implications

7.4 There are no capital implications

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## 8 Legal Services Comments

8.1 None. (A Evans)

## 9 Co-operative Agenda

9.1 There are no Co-operative issues or opportunities arising and the proposals are in line with the Council's Ethical Framework.

## 10 Human Resources Comments

10.1 None

11 **Risk Assessments**

11.1 None

12 **IT Implications**

12.1 None.

13 **Property Implications**

13.1 None.

14 **Procurement Implications**

14.1 None

15 **Environmental and Health & Safety Implications**

15.1 In adopting the highway, the Local Authority is taking on responsibility for maintaining it in a safe condition.

16 **Equality, community cohesion and crime implications**

16.1 By adopting this highway, public rights of access will be safeguarded.

17 **Equality Impact Assessment Completed?**

17.1 No.

18 **Key Decision**

18.1 No.

18 **Key Decision Reference**

18.1 Not applicable.

19 **Background Papers**

19.1 The following is a list of background papers on which this report is based in accordance with the requirements of Section 100(1) of the Local Government Act 1972. It does not include documents which would disclose exempt or confidential information as defined by the Act :

None.

**APPROVAL**

**Decision maker**

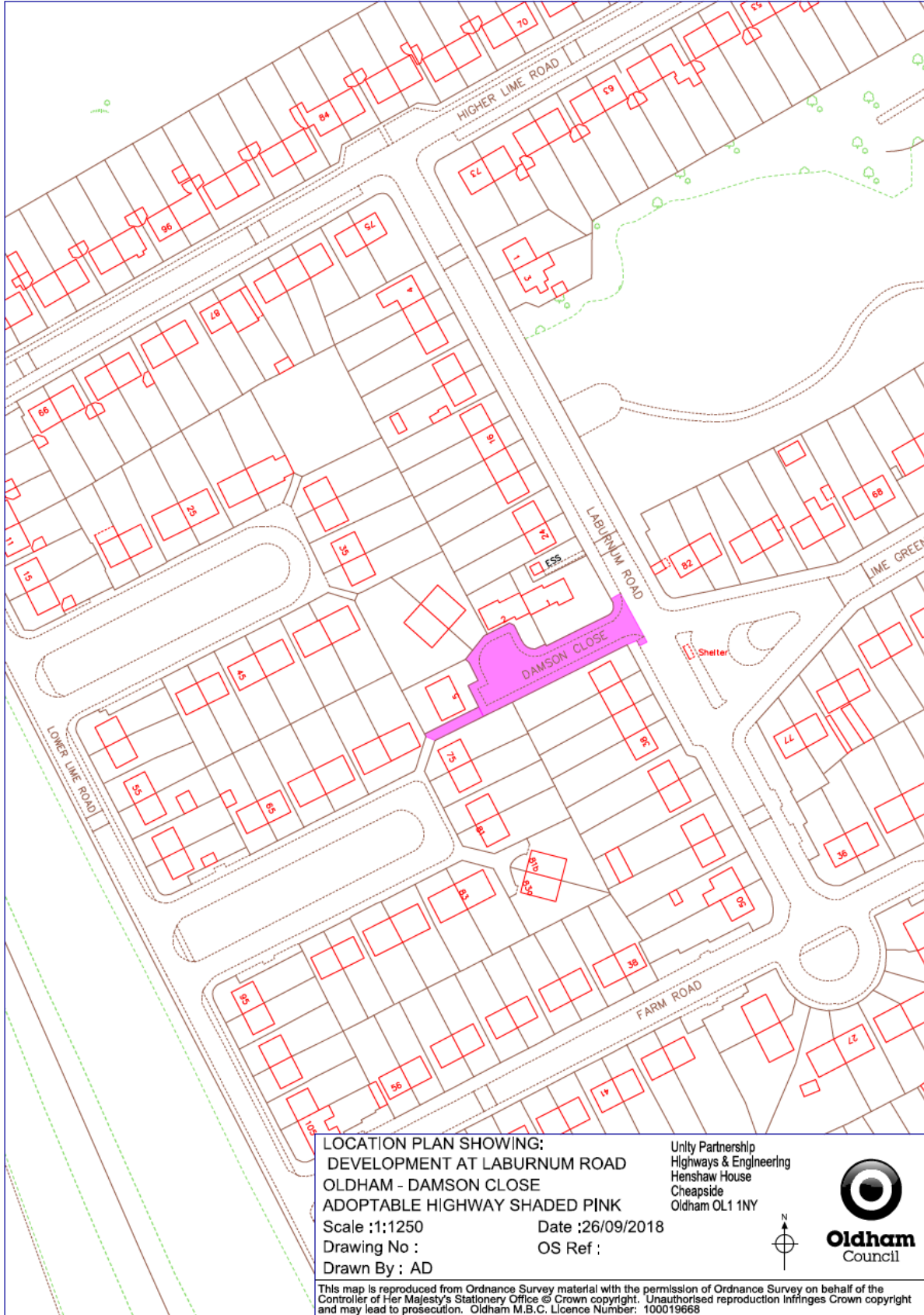
Signed:   
Cabinet Member,  
Neighbourhood Services

Dated: 29.10.2018

**In consultation with**

Signed:   
Director Of Environmental  
Services

Dated: 11.10.18



**LOCATION PLAN SHOWING:**  
**DEVELOPMENT AT LABURNUM ROAD**  
**OLDHAM - DAMSON CLOSE**  
**ADOPTABLE HIGHWAY SHADED PINK**  
 Scale :1:1250  
 Drawing No :  
 Drawn By : AD

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