# HIGHWAY REGULATION COMMITTEE 26/09/2024 at 5.30 pm



**Present:** Councillor Shuttleworth (Chair)

Councillors Chowhan, Davis (Vice-Chair), Kenyon (Substitute)

and Woodvine

Also in Attendance:

Andy Cowell Highways and Engineering

Alan Evans Group Solicitor

Liam Kennedy Highways & Engineering
Andrew Mather Constitutional Services
Alister Storey Highways & Engineering

# 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Murphy (Councillor Kenyon substituting)

# 2 URGENT BUSINESS

There were no items of urgent business received.

# 3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest received.

# 4 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were no Public Questions received

#### 5 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> July 2024 be approved as a correct record.

# 6 OBJECTIONS TO PROPOSED PROHIBITION OF WAITING - UNDER LANE AND OLD KILN LANE, GROTTON

The Committee considered a report regarding the objections received to the proposed waiting restrictions at Under Lane and Old Kiln Lane, Grotton. A report recommending the introduction of prohibition of waiting restrictions on Under Lane and Old Kiln Lane, Grotton, was approved under delegated powers on 22 December 2023. The proposal was subsequently advertised, and 20 objections and 12 supporting letters were received and attached as Appendix B and C to the report. The report summarised the main points made together with the Council's comments.

Ward councillors had been consulted and no objections received. One ward councillor had expressed support for the proposed Order.

# Options Considered:

Option 1. Introduce the proposed restrictions as advertised.

Option 2. Relax the proposal to maintain some on-street parking options for residents.

Option 3. To not introduce the proposed restrictions.

The recommended option was Option 1 - to introduce the restrictions as advertised, as this option best addressed the safety concerns raised about visibility and road safety at the junctions.



#### **RESOLVED:**

That the objection be dismissed and the proposal be introduced as advertised in accordance with the schedule and plan in the original report.

NOTE: An objector, a supporter, and a Ward Councillor addressed the Panel on the application.

# 7 OBJECTIONS TO PROPOSED PROHIBITION OF WAITING – SANDY LANE, DOBCROSS

The Committee considered a report regarding objections received to proposed waiting restrictions at Sandy Lane, Dobcross. A report recommending the introduction of prohibition of waiting restrictions on Sandy Lane, Dobcross, was approved under delegated powers on 22 December 2023. The proposal was subsequently advertised, and thirteen objections were received along with one supporting letter.

Highway Regulation Committee on 18 July 2024 considered the objections and resolved that consideration be deferred to this meeting and asked officers to meet with Ward Members with a view to relaxing the length of the proposed restrictions. A site meeting had now taken place and a revised proposal plan had been drafted which was supported by Ward Members. The amended proposal maintained the majority of onstreet spaces whilst also protecting the two main pinch points where the main obstruction takes place over narrow sections of carriageway. The amended plan was attached at Appendix 2 to the report.

# Options considered:

Option 1: Introduce the proposed restrictions as advertised

Option 2. Relax the proposal

Option 3. Do not introduce the proposed restrictions

# **RESOLVED:**

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That the objections be dismissed and the relaxed proposal be introduced as shown on the amended plan at Appendix 2 to the report namely on the north-west side of Sandly Lane outside number 20, opposite number 5 and to the south west of the old church entrance, a total reduction of 56 metres

NOTE: An objector addressed the Panel on the application.

# OBJECTIONS TO PROPOSED TRAFFIC CALMING – PRETORIA ROAD, HOLLINWOOD

The Highways Regulation Committee considered a report on an objection received to the proposed introduction of traffic calming measures on Pretoria Road, Hollinwood. A report recommending the introduction of traffic calming measures on

Pretoria Road, Hollinwood, was approved under delegated powers on 12 March 2024. The proposal was subsequently advertised, and one objection was received. A copy of the approved report was attached at Appendix A and a copy of the objection was attached at Appendix B. In summary, the objector stated that he will be unable to park his vehicles outside his property if the speed cushions were installed at the proposed location.



Officers did not accept this objection as there were no proposals to introduce a parking restriction as part of this traffic calming scheme. The objector may park on the speed cushion if required.

Options considered:

Option 1- Install traffic calming as advertised.

Option 2.- Do nothing.

#### **RESOLVED**

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That the proposal be introduced as advertised.

# OBJECTION TO PROPOSED PROHIBITION OF WAITING - HAMPTON ROAD, FAILSWORTH

The Highways Committee considered a report on an objection received to the proposed extension of the existing Prohibition of Waiting restrictions on Hampton Road, Failsworth. A report recommending the extension of existing Prohibition of Waiting restriction on Hampton Road, Failsworth, was approved under delegated powers on 5 February 2024. The proposal was subsequently advertised, and one objection was received.

A copy of the approved report was attached in Appendix A and a copy of the objection was attached in Appendix B. In summary, the objector stated that the proposed extension of waiting restrictions would displace parking further north on Hampton Road.. The objector was concerned that a reduction of parking space was likely to cause more parking related issues for local residents.

# Options Considered:

Option 1: Install Prohibition of Waiting restriction as advertised i.e. extend the existing restrictions both sides of Hampton Road. This proposal would meet the Highway Code requirement.

Option 2: Install a reduced Prohibition of Waiting restriction (extend restrictions by 4 meters on western side of Hampton Road). This proposal was aimed at improving safety issues identified with reduced displacement of parking spaces compared to Option 1.

# Option 3: Do nothing

A revised schedule and plan to support the Option 2 recommendation was provided within Appendix C to the report.

It was reported that whilst Officers believed the original recommendation provided more benefits with regards to safety, Option 2 leads to an improvement and provides a balance which acknowledges the concern of the objector.



#### **RESOLVED**

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That Option 2 be approved and the revised schedule and plan shown in Appendix C to the report be implemented..

NOTE: An objector addressed the Panel on the application.

# DEFINITIVE MAP AND STATEMENT MODIFICATION ORDER. S53 – WILDLIFE AND COUNTRYSIDE ACT 1981 CLAIM TO REGISTER PUBLIC FOOTPATHS AT ARNCLIFFE RISE, MOORSIDE.

Highways Regulation Committee was asked to determine an application submitted under Schedule 14 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (the 1981 Act), requesting that a Modification Order be made in respect of routes running across land at the middle of Arncliffe Rise, Moorside (the Application Routes), which were shown on the plan, 764/A4/248/1, attached to the report.

It was reported that the application met the required legal test of 20 years use of the whole of the Application Routes 'as of right'.

# Options considered:

Option 1: To approve the application and add the Application Routes to the Definitive Map and Statement as footpaths. Option 2: Not to approve the application

# **RESOLVED:**

- 1. The application for a Modification Order in respect of the routes at Arncliffe Rise, Moorside to be recorded in the Definitive Map and Statement as footpaths as detailed in Schedule 1 be approved and the Director of Environment be authorised to carry out the necessary procedures with a view to confirming the Order in the event that no objections are made to the Order.
- 2.. The Applicant and the owner/occupier of the land subject to the application be notified of the Council's decision as required by Schedule 14 of the 1981 Act.
- DEFINITIVE MAP AND STATEMENT MODIFICATION
  ORDER S257 TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990
  AND S53A WILDLIFE AND COUNTRYSIDE ACT 1981.
  DIVERSION OF DEFINITIVE FOOTPATH 28 CHADDERTON
  (PART) AT LAND OFF WESTHULME WAY, COLDHURST.

The Highways Regulation Committee considered a report that the Council has received an application from Lancet Homes, Sale, via their agent, Mode Transport Planning, Manchester, to divert part of Definitive Footpath 28 Chadderton to facilitate the proposed residential development of 10 dwellings on land off Westhulme Way, Coldhurst. The diversion was considered necessary in order to implement the planning permission.



Ward councillors and footpath societies had been consulted and no objections had been received.

# Options considered:

Option 1: To approve the recommendation. Option 2: Not to approve the recommendation.

#### **RESOLVED**

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That the application be approved and the Council make a Public Path Diversion & Definitive Map and Statement Modification Order for the diversion of Footpath 28 Chadderton under Section 257 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, and Section 53A of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981, as detailed in the report and the Director of Environment and the Director of Legal be authorised to carry out the necessary procedures with a view to confirming the Order in the event that no objections are made to the Order.

DEFINITIVE MAP AND STATEMENT MODIFICATION
ORDER S257 TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT
1990, AND S53A WILDLIFE AND COUNTRYSIDE ACT 1981
- DIVERSION OF DEFINITIVE FOOTPATH 20
FAILSWORTH, AT HOLLINWOOD JUNCTION, ALBERT
STREET, FAILSWORTH

It was reported that the Council has received an application from Langtree Property Partners, Warrington, via their agent, Spawforths, Wakefield, to divert Footpath 20 Failsworth under S257 Town and Country Planning Act 1990, to facilitate the proposed development of a food retail unit at Hollinwood Junction, Albert Street, Failsworth. The diversion was considered necessary in order to implement the planning permission

Ward councillors and footpath societies had been consulted and no objections had been received.

# Options Considered

Option 1: To approve the recommendation. Option 2: Not to approve the recommendation

#### Resolved

That the application for a Public Path Diversion & Definitive Map and Statement Modification Order for the diversion of Footpath 20 Failsworth, under Section 257 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, and Section 53A of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981, be approved as detailed in the report and the Director of Environment and the Director of Legal be authorised to carry out the necessary procedures with a view to confirming the Order in the event that no objections are made to the Order.

The meeting started at 5.30pm and ended at 6.40pm.