



**Oldham**  
Council

## **Delegated Decision**

# **Adoption of Highways – Development at the former Larch Mill site, Bleasdale Street, Royton, Oldham – Larchfield 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 plan, have been constructed in accordance with the approved specification for highways to be adopted.

**3 Schedule 1**

3.1 Development at the former Larch Mill Site, Bleasdale Street, Royton, Oldham

Larchfield Close	From the existing adopted highway at Bleasdale Street and continuing in a generally north westerly direction for a distance of 65 metres then continuing in a west south-westerly direction for a distance of 45 metres to its cul-de-sac end with associated turning heads of 5 and 11 metres respectively. Area = 1210 m <sup>2</sup>
Footway refurbishment fronting the development	The existing footway at Bleasdale Street has been refurbished to facilitate access to the new properties across the frontage of the development. As these works have been undertaken within the extent of the existing adopted highway fronting the development, there is no additional highway to be added for future maintenance costs.

**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

7.1 This proposal will increase annual running costs by £1,262 analysed as follows:

Item	Annual Cost		Funded from Cost Centre
	Sub Total £	Total £	
1. Adopting 1,210 sq m of Highway @ £0.70/sq m		847	Highways Operations
2. Maintain 4 Lighting columns/signs etc	204		Street Lighting
3. Energy costs of 2. above	211		Corporate Landlord then recharged to Street Lighting
Sub Total Lighting		415	
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,262</b>	

7.2 If there are in year budget pressures within the above cost centre areas, the Directorate will have to manage its resources to ensure that there is no adverse variance at the year end. (Nigel Howard)

## 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.

**19 Key Decision Reference**

19.1 Not applicable.

**20 Background Papers**

20.1 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,  
Environmental Services

Dated 06/01/2020

**In consultation with**

Signed

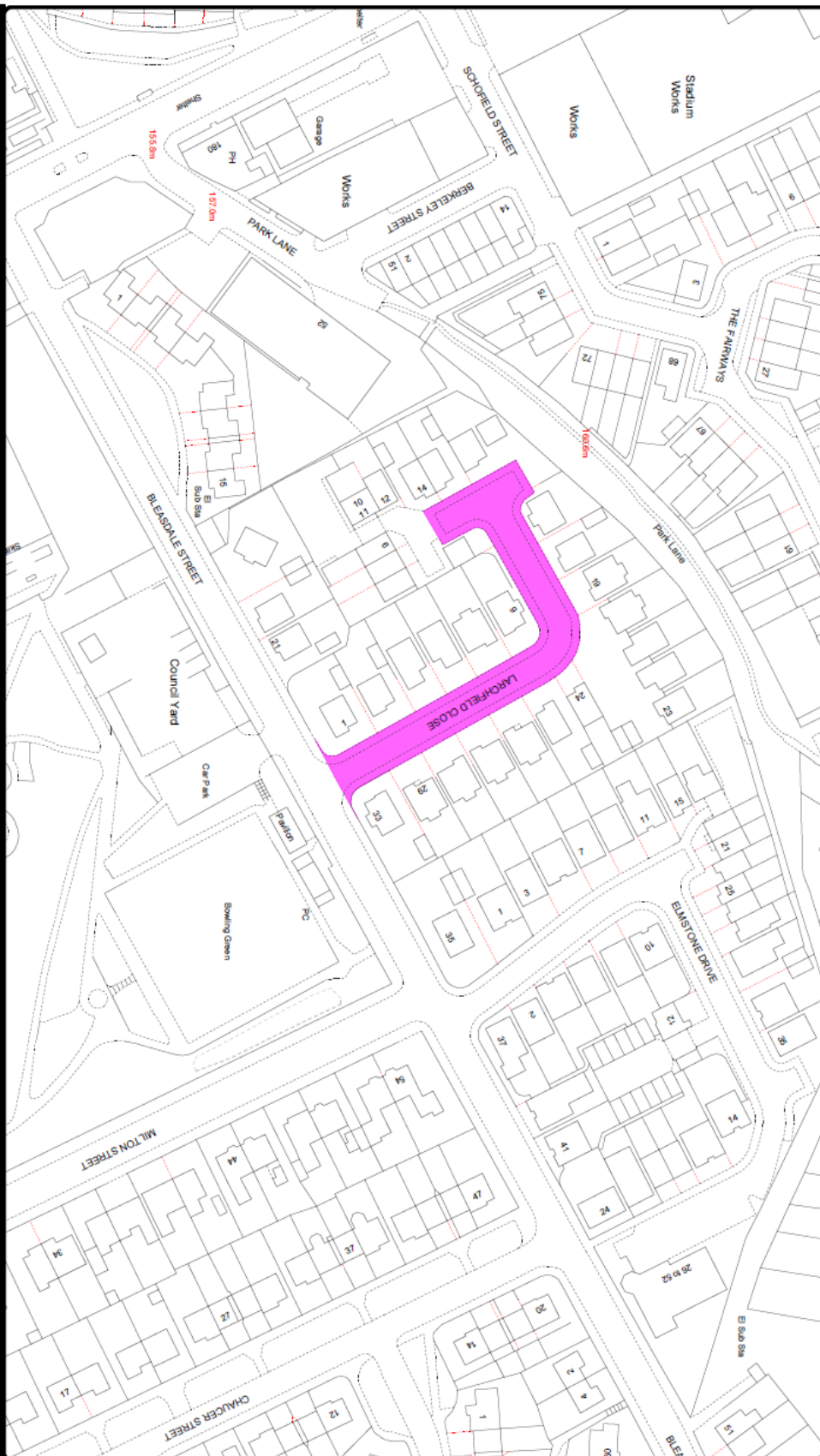


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