

HIGHWAY REGULATION COMMITTEE

Objections to Proposed Traffic Calming – Pretoria Road, Hollinwood

Portfolio Holder:

Councillor C Goodwin, Cabinet Member for Don't Trash Oldham

Officer Contact: Nasir Dad, Director of Environment

Report Author: Ian Whitehead, Traffic Engineer

Ext. 4325

26 September 2024

Reason for Decision

The purpose of this report is to consider an objection received to the proposed introduction of traffic calming measures on Pretoria Road, Hollinwood

Recommendation

It is recommended that the proposal be introduced as advertised or as outlined on the amended plan shown in Appendix C

Objections to Proposed Traffic Calming – Pretoria Road, Hollinwood

1 Background

- 1.1 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 is attached at Appendix A and a copy of the objection is attached at Appendix B.

In summary, the objector states that he will be unable to park his vehicles outside his property if the speed cushions are installed at the proposed location.

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

1.2 Community Cohesion Implications, including crime and disorder implications under Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998

None

1.2 Risk Assessments

These were dealt with in the previous report (refer to Appendix A)

1.4 Co-operative Implications

These were dealt with in the previous report (refer to Appendix A)

1.5 Procurement Implications

None

2 Current Position

- 2.1 Currently the scheme has been advertised and is ready to be installed on site upon approval. Discussions have been held with the objector and it was explained that he is allowed to park on the speed cushions but he wished to maintain the objection.

3 Options/Alternatives

- 3.1 Option 1 Install traffic calming as advertised.
3.2 Option 2. Do nothing.

4 Preferred Option

- 4.1 Option 1

5 **Consultation**

5.1 The Hollinwood Ward Members have been consulted and Councillor A Wahid has commented, I confirm that I have no objections to the traffic calming measures and welcome the same. This is greatly needed.

6 **Financial Implications**

6.1 These were dealt with in the previous report (refer to Appendix A)

7 **Legal Implications**

7.1 These were dealt with in the previous report (refer to Appendix A)

8 **Equality Impact, including implications for Children and Young People**

8.1 None, the work is being undertaken to improve safety on the highway.

9 **Key Decision**

9.1 No

10 **Key Decision Reference**

11.1 N/A


12 **Background Papers**

12.1 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 :

File Ref : TM4/495
Name of File : Proposed Traffic Calming – Pretoria Road, Hollinwood
Records held in [insert] Department, Spindles Shopping Centre, West Street, Oldham
Officer Name : Ian Whitehead
Contact No : 4325

13 **Appendices**

13.1 Appendix A - Approved Mod Gov Report
Appendix B - Copy of Objection
Appendix C - Proposed Plan

<p>Signed</p>  <p>In consultation with Director of Environment</p>	<p>Dated 30.08.24</p>
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APPENDIX A
APPROVED MOD GOV REPORT

Delegated Officer Report
(Non Key and Contracts up to a value of £100k)

Decision Maker: Nasir Dad, Director of Environment
Date of Decision: 13 February 2024
Subject: Pretoria Road, Hollinwood - Traffic Calming Scheme
Report Author: Ian Whitehead, Principal Traffic Engineer
Ward (s): Hollinwood

Reason for the decision: Pretoria Road in Hollinwood has been highlighted by local residents and Councillors as an area with a high number of speeding vehicles. This report seeks permission to formally advertise the 'Humps Notice' associated with the implementation of the traffic calming scheme in order to reduce vehicle speed and improve highway safety.

The proposals are detailed in the drawing and schedules at the end of this report.

Summary: The purpose of this report is to seek approval to the advertise of the legal Humps Notice as set out in The Highways (Road Humps) Regulations 1999 and the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.

What are the alternative option(s) to be considered? Please give the reason(s) for recommendation(s): No alternative options have been considered viable/effective.

Justification: If approved, the proposal will help reduce vehicle speeds and improve road safety in the area.

Consultation: including any conflict of interest declared by relevant Cabinet Member consulted The Ward Members have been consulted and no comments have been received.

The Chief Constable has been consulted and has no objection to this proposal.

The Director General for TFGM has been consulted and has no comment on this proposal.

The County Fire Officer has been consulted and has no comment on this proposal.

The County Ambulance Officer has been consulted and has no comment on this proposal.

Recommendation(s):

It is recommended that the legal notices are advertised and that the measures associated with the traffic calming scheme are introduced as detailed in the drawing and schedule at the end of this report.

Implications:

*What are the **financial** implications?*

The cost of introducing the order will be £1.4k and will be revenue expenditure.

This will be funded from within the Highways TRO budget.

(John Edisbury)

*What are the **legal** implications?*

The Council should satisfy itself that the proposals will be effective in reducing or preventing road accidents and will justify the expenditure incurred. It will be necessary to publish details of the proposals in one or more local newspapers and consider any objections received before deciding whether to proceed with the proposals.

(Alan Evans)

*What are the **procurement** implications?*

None

*What are the **Human Resources** implications?*

None

***Equality and Diversity Impact Assessment** attached or not required because (please give reason)*

Not required because the measures proposed are aimed at improving highway conditions

*What are the **property** implications*

None, the work is being undertaken on the public highway which is under the control of the Highway Authority. (Rosalyn Smith)

Risks:

The introduction of the advertisement of the legal Humps Notice around Pretoria Road will decrease the numbers of incidents involving vulnerable road users and decrease the speed of vehicles on the highway. There could be reputation risks around the scheme in terms of residents reactions to the proposals these can be

mitigated by effective communications and the publication of notices which is being proposed in this report.

Vicki Gallacher (Head of Insurance and Information Governance)

Co-operative implications

The measures proposed in this report will improve road safety for residents, as such this is broadly in line with our cooperative agenda. (James Mulvaney, Policy Manager)

Community cohesion disorder implications in accordance with Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998

None

Environmental and Health & Safety Implications

None

IT Implications

None

Has the relevant Legal Officer confirmed that the recommendations within this report are lawful and comply with the Council's Constitution? Yes

Has the relevant Finance Officer confirmed that any expenditure referred to within this report is consistent with the Council's budget? Yes


Are any of the recommendations within this report contrary to the Policy Framework of the Council? No

Schedule 1

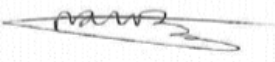
Traffic Calming Cushions (pair) 2000mm(l)x1650mm(w)x75mm(h)

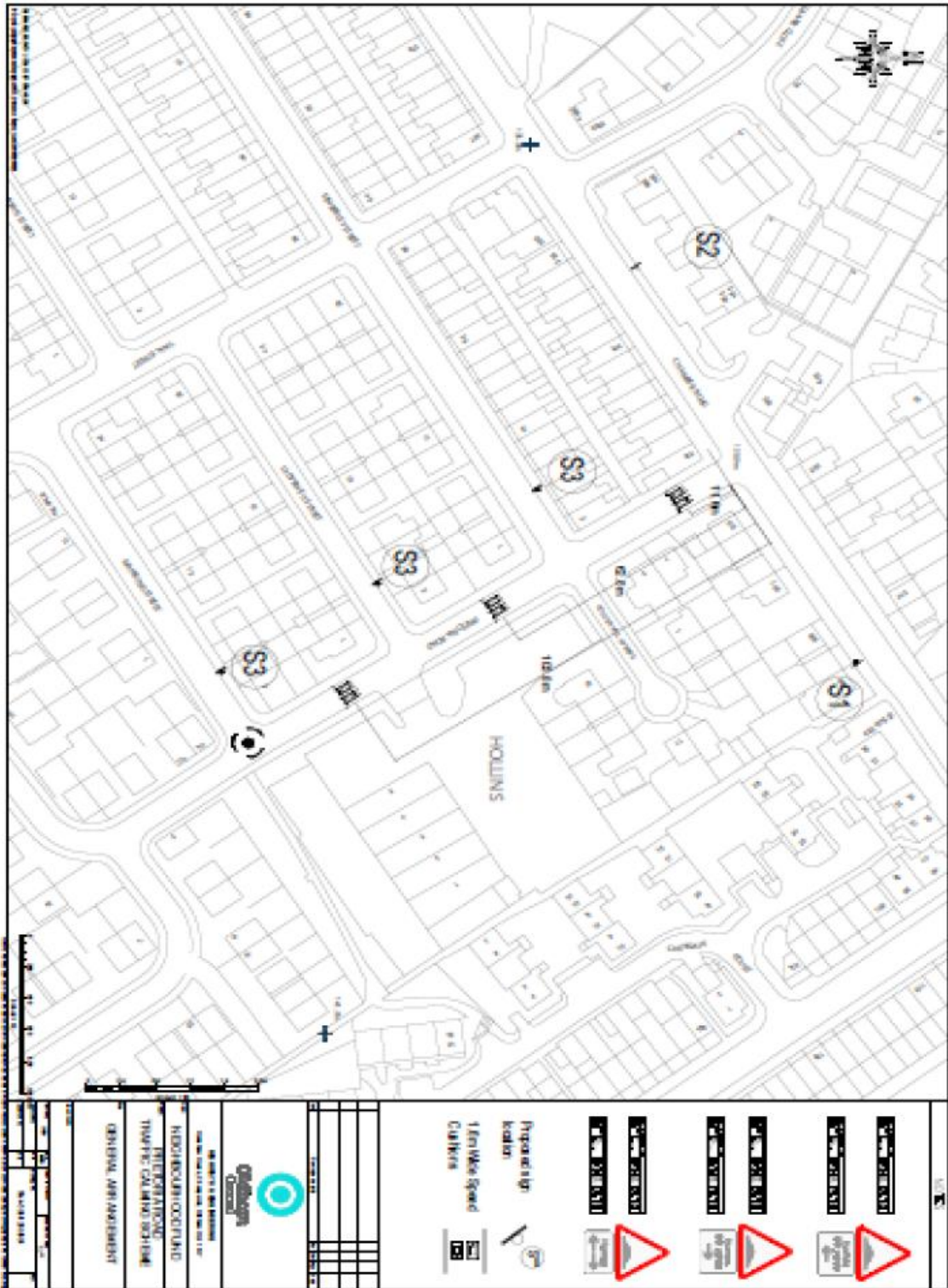
Item No	Length of Road	Location
1	<u>Pretoria Road</u>	1. 11.5m southeast of the junction with Chamber Road 2. 62.8m southeast of the junction with Chamber Road 3. 103.8m southeast of the junction with Chamber Road

There are no background papers for this report

Report Author Sign-off: Ian Whitehead	Approved:  Alister Storey
Date: 13 February 2024	

In consultation with Director of Environment

Signed:  Date: 12.03.24



APPENDIX B
COPY OF OBJECTION

Objection 1

Initial Objection: DISAGREE WITH THE TRAFFIC CALMING SCHEME ON CHAMBER ROAD

I TOTAL OPPOSE THE SCHEME ! HOW ARE YOU PUTTING TRAFFIC CALMING STUFF IN PLACE WHEN ALREADY THE ROAD ARE BUSY FROM 8PM TO 9:15/30 and again around 4pm ish till about 6! All your gonna do is make the road more busy! Do us all a favour and scrap this nonsense. My car wont fit through these calming measures so what would you have me do? Crash through it as i will have no other option! If that does happen then number one is I Will sue you and im sure there are many others who will do the same! I go on this road practically everyday so you wont be doing anyone a favour! You'll just be teying to make it into london central with the traffic calming measures. |

Initial Response:

Good afternoon, in response to your previous email, please find attached a copy of the legal "road humps notice" and a plan showing the proposed locations of the three sets of traffic calming cushions on Pretoria Road (not Chamber Road). Please be advised that the cushions are designed to slow vehicles to the speed limit of the road and are of a standard specification used widely across the Country. The plan also shows the locations of the signs required to correctly sign the measures.

The scheme was requested by the local Ward members who secured funding through the Local Improvement Fund (LIF), they were concerned about the speeds of vehicles on Pretoria Road between Chamber Road and the new Pretoria Mill housing development.

Please can you confirm if you still wish to object to the proposals now that you are aware that they are actually on Pretoria Road?

Objector:

Good morning, yes I still object to it, the cushions are being placed right at the side of my house, this is where we park our cars, 5 of my family members park there cars at the side of my house as we cant park in the front as all my neighbours drive.

APPENDIX C
PROPOSED PLAN

