OFFICER DECISION REPORT – TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER (TRO)

PRELIMINARY CONSULTATION (Cabinet Member for Sustainable Transport Delivery)

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PREPARED BY: Traffic Management Team, Highways and Traffic Group

TITLE OF REPORT:	Donnington Walk, Keynsham
PROPOSAL:	Shared Footway & Cycle Track / Lane
SCHEME REF No:	26-074
REPORT AUTHOR:	Gina West

1. DELEGATION

The delegation to be exercised in this report is contained within **Part 2 Section 2.35** of the Constitution under the **Delegations of Functions to Officers,** as follows:

Section A	The Chief Executive, Executive Director - Chief Operating Officer, Directors and Heads of Service have delegated power to take any decision falling within their area of responsibility….”
Section B	Without prejudice to the generality of this, Officers are authorised to: serve any notices and make, amend or revoke any orders falling within their area of responsibility.
Section D	An Officer to whom a power, duty or function is delegated may nominate or authorise another Officer to exercise that power, duty or function, provided that Officer reports to or is responsible to the delegator.

For the purposes of this report, the Director of Place Management and the Head of Highways Delivery hold the delegated power to make, amend or revoke any Orders.

2. LEGAL AUTHORITY

This proposal is made in accordance with The Highways Act 1980 which permits a highway authority under Section 66(4) and Section 65(1) to construct a cycle track which can legally carry a right of way for cyclists with or without a right of way on foot, so the pedestrian right can remain and the result is an unsegregated shared-use facility.

3. PROPOSAL

To implement a combined footway/cycleway on the footpath between Queens Road and Kelston Road which runs alongside Donnington Walk, Keynsham. The footway will be widened accordingly.

The proposal is shown in Appendix 1 attached to this report.

4. REASON

Please refer to the Statement of Reasons.

The Council has had in mind and discharged the duty (as set out in section 122(1) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984) to secure the expeditious, convenient and safe movement of vehicular and other traffic (including pedestrians) so far as practicable. It has also had regard to the factors which point in favour of imposing the shared footway and cycle track / lane. It has balanced the various considerations and concluded that it is appropriate to promote the proposal. The Council has also considered and discharged its network management duty under section 16 of the Traffic Management Act 2004. It has concluded that the proposed measure is consistent with that duty, having regard to its other policies and objectives.

5. IMPACT ON EQUALITIES

The Council has had due regard to the needs set out in section 149(1) of the Equality Act 2010. It considers that the proposed Order is consistent with the section 149 public sector equality duty, which it has discharged.

6. IMPACT ON HUMAN RIGHTS

The proposals are considered to have a minimal impact on human rights (such as the right to respect for private and family life and the right to peaceful enjoyment of property). However, the Council is entitled to affect these rights where it is in accordance with the law, necessary (in the interests of public safety or economic well-being, to prevent disorder and crime, to protect health, or to protect the rights and freedoms of others), in pursuit of a legitimate aim and proportionate to do so. The proposal(s) within this report are considered to be in accordance with the law, necessary, in pursuit of a legitimate aim and proportionate.

7. SOURCE OF FINANCE

The proposed measures and this TRO are funded by the developer of the site.

8. CONSULTATION REQUIREMENT

The proposal requires consultation with the Chief Constable, Emergency Services, Road Haulage Association, Freight Transport Association (Logistics UK), Parking Services, Waste Services, Ward Members and the Cabinet Member for Sustainable Transport Delivery.

9. COMMENTS RECEIVED TO DATE

Chief Constable – No Comment.

Emergency Services – No Comment.

Road Haulage Association – No Comment.

Freight Transport Association – No Comment.

Parking Services – No Comment.

Waste Services – No Comment.

Ward Members

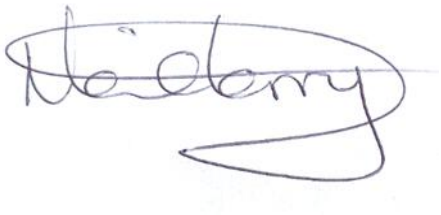
Councillor Alan Hale **-** I have a concern regarding the shared way being immediately outside the garden gates (or so it seems) of the houses in Donnington Walk.
Also, the path will pass the children's play area quite closely.
I have no easy answer to how we overcome that potential danger.
In Donnington Walk, can the path be moved a metre or two away from the current run of the footway, thus allowing a bit of a buffer from the existing houses?

Officer Response - The layout of the arrangements was considered and approved as part of Planning Permission 24/04238/FUL. As such, the scheme reflects the approved development layout and associated planning requirements. Should you wish to review the details considered through the planning process, these are available within the planning application documents and decision notice for Planning Permission 24/04238/FUL.

Councillor David Biddleston - No Comment

Keynsham Town Council - Keynsham Town Council would encourage removal of restriction on cycling. This is a common route for children attending St Keyna and avoids cycling along busy roads and requests pathways are made dual purpose paths (for both walking / cycling) and are clearly marked as such.

REPORT APPROVED FOR CIRCULATION TO CABINET MEMBER FOR SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT DELIVERY.



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