OFFICER DECISION REPORT – NEW PEDESTRIAN CROSSING
Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) 'Notice'

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PRELIMINARY CONSULTATION (Cabinet Member for Highways)

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TITLE OF REPORT:	**A362 Farrington Gurney**
PROPOSAL:	**Signal Controlled Puffin Pedestrian Crossing**
SCHEME REF No:	**26-063**
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1. DELEGATION

The delegation to be exercised in this report is contained within **Part 3**, **Section 4** of the Constitution under the **Delegation of Functions to Officers,** as follows:

Section A	The Chief Executive, Strategic Directors, Divisional 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 his/her area of responsibility.
Section D9	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 holds the delegated power to make, amend or revoke any Orders.

2. LEGAL AUTHORITY

This proposal is made in accordance with the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, which under Section 23 enables local highway authorities to establish crossings for pedestrians.

3. PROPOSAL

To introduce a new traffic signal controlled ‘puffin’ pedestrian crossing on the A362 Farrington Gurney.

The proposals are shown on the attached drawing TCG0096/01

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 a signal-controlled crossing. It has balanced the various considerations and concluded that it is appropriate to promote the pedestrian crossing. 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 signal-controlled pedestrian crossing is consistent with that duty, having regard to its other policies and objectives.

5. IMPACT ON EQUALITIES

An Equality Impact Assessment has been undertaken in relation to the introduction of pedestrian crossing facilities, which is available upon request. The Council has had due regard to the needs set out in section 149(1) of the Equality Act 2010. It considers that the proposal 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

This proposal is being funded through the Local active travel programme (LATS)

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 Highways.

9. COMMENTS RECEIVED TO DATE

Chief Constable – It is understood from the Statement of Reasons that "Funding has been secured to install a pedestrian crossing on the A362 Farrington Gurney. Pedestrians can currently experience difficulties when crossing over the A362 to reach sites such as Farrington Farm Shop, Farrington Primary School and the village hall. The proposed signal-controlled pedestrian crossing would be located where the southern footway currently ends and the footway on the northern side of the road commences, replacing the existing uncontrolled pedestrian crossing point (dropped kerbs).

It is considered that a signal-controlled 'puffin' pedestrian crossing would be the most suitable form of pedestrian facility at this location, having due regard for the number of pedestrians, volume of traffic, topography, and character of the road."

It is noted that there is already an informal crossing point with tactile paving at this location.

The proposal should meet the aspirations behind its introduction.

Emergency Services – No comments received.

Road Haulage Association - No comments received.

Freight Transport Association - No comments received.

Parking Services - No comments received.

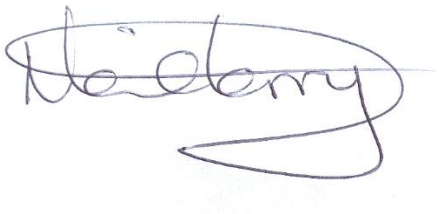
Waste Services - No comments received.

Parish Council – No comments received.

Ward Members

Councillor Ann Morgan – No comments received.

REPORT APPROVED FOR CIRCULATION TO CABINET MEMBER FOR HIGHWAYS



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