

OFFICER DECISION REPORT - NOTICE OF CONSTRUCTION

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APPROVAL TO PUBLICLY ADVERTISE

PREPARED BY: Traffic Management Team, Highways and Traffic Group

TITLE OF REPORT: Penn Hill Road, Bath Zebra Crossing

PROPOSAL: Zebra Pedestrian Crossing on a raised table speed hump

SCHEME REF No: 26-005

REPORT AUTHOR: Helen Holm - AECOM

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 hold 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.

This proposal is also made in accordance with The Highways Act 1980 Section 90A which permits a highway authority to both construct and remove road humps in a public road, for which they are the highway authority, if the highway is subject to a legal speed limit for motor vehicles of 30 miles per hour or less or the road humps are specially authorised by the Secretary of State.

3. PROPOSAL

To introduce a new zebra pedestrian crossing on Penn Hill Road between the junctions of Southlands and Royal United Hospital Gate 3 as shown on the attached plan as part of the Southlands Liveable Neighbourhood (LN). The proposed zebra pedestrian crossing would replace an existing pedestrian refuge island.

The location and extent of the proposed restrictions are shown on the attached drawing – **Appendix 1**.

4. REASON

Please also refer to the separate Statement of Reasons (SOR) document attached to this report.

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 Zebra Pedestrian Crossing. It has balanced the various considerations and concluded that it is appropriate to promote a Zebra 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 Zebra 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 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

This proposal is being funded through cost code: TLN00063

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. INFORMAL CONSULTATION FEEDBACK

Chief Constable

Thank you for your email and attachments regarding the proposal to introduce a Zebra pedestrian crossing on Penn Hill Road, between the junctions of Southlands and Royal United Hospital Gate 3 as shown on the attached plan, as part of the Liveable Neighbourhoods programme for the area. It is understood that the proposed zebra pedestrian crossing would replace the existing pedestrian refuge island.

Another, raised, zebra crossing is in close proximity to the proposed zebra crossing, by the access into St Mary's Primary School.

Please can you advise what signage is to be put in place to make motorists aware of the dual zebra crossings / the approach to the proposed zebra crossing?

The proposal should meet the aspirations behind its introduction.

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 Michelle O'Doherty - Thank you for this - I am in full support of this proposal

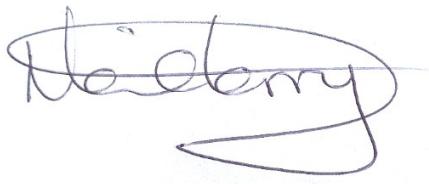
Councillor Samantha Kelly – No comment.

Cabinet Member for Sustainable Transport Delivery:

Cllr Lucy Hodge - Please proceed to consultation.

10. RECOMMENDATION

As no significant objections and/or comments have been received following the preliminary consultation described above, the public advertisement of the Traffic Regulation Order should progress.



Neil Terry
Traffic Management & Network Manager

Date: 16/02/2026

11. DECISION

As the officer holding the above delegation, I approve the progression of this Traffic Regulation Order.



Chris Major
Director for Place Management

Date: 18/02/2026