

WOLLATON AND LENTON ABBEY AREA COMMITTEE
17TH FEBRUARY 2014

Title of paper:	BRAMCOTE LANE TRAFFIC CALMING SCHEME - WOLLATON WEST WARD	
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Date of consultation with Portfolio Holder(s) (if relevant)		
Relevant Council Plan Strategic Priority:		
Cutting unemployment by a quarter		<input type="checkbox"/>
Cut crime and anti-social behaviour		<input type="checkbox"/>
Ensure more school leavers get a job, training or further education than any other City		<input type="checkbox"/>
Your neighbourhood as clean as the City Centre		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Help keep your energy bills down		<input type="checkbox"/>
Good access to public transport		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Nottingham has a good mix of housing		<input type="checkbox"/>
Nottingham is a good place to do business, invest and create jobs		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Nottingham offers a wide range of leisure activities, parks and sporting events		<input type="checkbox"/>
Support early intervention activities		<input type="checkbox"/>
Deliver effective, value for money services to our citizens		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Summary of issues (including benefits to citizens/service users):		
<p>This report seeks approval by Area Committee to proceed with the Traffic Calming Scheme on Bramcote Lane, which has been requested by the citizens of Wollaton West Ward.</p> <p>The existing traffic calming features are approximately 13 years old and in poor condition, giving a poor ride quality to road users.</p> <p>A feasibility study was undertaken by Area Focus Traffic and Safety Team in July 2013 to look into practicable options to replace the current traffic calming scheme.</p> <p>The proposed features of this scheme are subject to consultation. Community engagement is very important in shaping the scheme. It is recommended that a 'Have Your Say' leaflet is delivered to the Bramcote Lane area. This will give citizens the opportunity to feedback their comments and</p>		

suggestions regarding the design elements of the scheme. The formal consultation process will then follow. A Community Event would also be held during the formal consultation process to enable citizens to have their say on the proposed scheme. All changes are subject to consultation.

The funding split is £60,000 from the Local Transport Plan with a contribution of £40,000 from the Wollaton West Area Capital Fund.

Recommendation(s):

1	Remove the existing speed cushions and replace with round top road humps.
2	Insert gateway features at the Wollaton Road end, with inset cobble stones to slow speeds and railway sleeper planters to emphasise that this road is a 'village' road and to bring it in keeping with the area.
3	Remove the existing raised plateau close to the Wollaton Road junction and put in a zebra crossing to enable residents to cross safely and to improve accessibility to the bus stops, library, community centre, nursery and other amenities.
4	Install horizontal traffic calming such as give-way build outs, which will maintain slow traffic speeds without the discomfort of raised traffic calming features. Large vehicles and motorbikes will also have to reduce their speeds and would be unable to avoid the features. The give-way build outs will have dropped kerbs and tactile paving to benefit pedestrians by creating shorter crossing distances. These crossing points would be situated closely to bus stops to improve accessibility to public transport.
5	Install double yellow lines at all minor junctions to provide junction protection and improve visibility for all road users.
6	Work together in partnership with the Wollaton Historical and Conservation Society, the opportunity is to be taken to tidy up the area around the water pump, including consideration given to the use of Primrose Yellow 50mm lining in the Bramcote Lane area, to be more in keeping with the nature of the environment
7	To install two vehicle activated signs (VAS) along length to remind motorists that Bramcote Lane is 20mph (subject to funding).

1. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1.1 Ward Councillors have prioritised a scheme for the existing traffic calming along Bramcote Lane between Wollaton Vale and Wollaton Road. The existing traffic calming features are approximately 13 years old and in poor condition giving a poor ride quality to users.
- 1.2 A feasibility study was carried out by the Area Focus - Traffic & Safety Team to consider suitable traffic calming measures to replace the existing one. The attached proposal (Appendix 1) has been put forward for your approval.
- 1.3 The scheme will be developed in consultation with residents within the Bramcote Lane Area
- 1.4 All statutory consultees will be contacted to ensure there are no objections prior to the commencement of any actual works.
- 1.5 Timescales for the scheme. It is envisaged that this scheme could be started to coincide with 2014 school holidays and ensure minimal disruption. Exact timescales will need to be discussed and confirmed with Contractors prior to works commencing.

2. BACKGROUND (INCLUDING OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION)

- 2.1 The proposed features of this scheme are subject to consultation. Community engagement is very important in shaping the scheme. It is recommended that a 'Have Your Say' leaflet is delivered to the Bramcote Lane area. This will give citizens the opportunity to feedback their comments and suggestions regarding the design elements of the scheme. The formal consultation process will then follow.
- 2.2 It is also recommended that a Community Event is held during the formal consultation process, to enable citizens to have their say on the proposed scheme. All changes will be incorporated into the proposals wherever appropriate and economically feasible.

3. OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED IN MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 Other options regarding elements of the design may arise through the Engagement and Consultation process. All changes are subject to consultation.

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS (INCLUDING VALUE FOR MONEY/VAT)

- 4.1 The estimated cost of this proposal is £100,000. This will be funded as follows:
£60,000 from the Local Transport Plan (LTP) provision;
£40,000 from the Wollaton West Area Capital Fund.

5. RISK MANAGEMENT ISSUES (INCLUDING LEGAL IMPLICATIONS AND CRIME AND DISORDER ACT IMPLICATIONS)

- 5.1 The scheme will incorporate contingencies and should account for unforeseen circumstances or additional works highlighted during construction of the scheme. Consultation would be undertaken and may have a bearing on the scheme design/concept and associated costs.

6. EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

- 6.1 Consultation with the Disability involvement group and other disability network to be carried out as part of the overall consultation.

Has the equality impact been assessed?

Not needed (report does not contain proposals or financial decisions)

No

Yes – Equality Impact Assessment attached

7. LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS OTHER THAN PUBLISHED WORKS OR THOSE DISCLOSING CONFIDENTIAL OR EXEMPT INFORMATION

None

8. PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO IN COMPILING THIS REPORT

- 8.1 Bramcote Lane and Harrow Road Feasibility Delegated Authority Report – July 2013.

Appendix 1.