

**WOLLATON AND LENTON ABBEY AREA COMMITTEE****2<sup>ND</sup> JUNE 2014**

<b>Title of paper:</b>	<b>BRAMCOTE LANE TRAFFIC CALMING SCHEME UPDATE -WOLLATON WEST WARD</b>	
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<b>Date of consultation with Portfolio Holder(s) (if relevant)</b>		
<b>Relevant Council Plan Strategic Priority:</b>		
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		X
Help keep your energy bills down		<input type="checkbox"/>
Good access to public transport		X
Nottingham has a good mix of housing		<input type="checkbox"/>
Nottingham is a good place to do business, invest and create jobs		X
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		X
<b>Summary of issues (including benefits to citizens/service users):</b>		
<p>This report is to update the Area Committee of the progression with the proposed traffic calming review scheme along Bramcote Lane (between Wollaton Vale and Wollaton Road).</p> <p>To date we have had 118 responses either through email, letter, 'phone calls or attendees to the four events.</p> <p>75% of citizens support or partially support the scheme. However, this figure is dependant on removing the chicane/give-way features in replacement for the pedestrian refuges - which we will do. And any firm objections to the scheme were linked to the chicane/give-way features, which are not going ahead. The chicane/give-way features were removed due to concerns over congestion and tail-backs.</p> <p>12% of citizens who responded would like to see all traffic calming features removed entirely.</p>		

Overall, the humps replacing the speed cushions, the new zebra and the pedestrian refuges were popular features with the citizens. A small group of citizens have concerns that the zebra may still cause congestion at the new location and will not be in-keeping within the village, due to the flashing beacons. Citizens were also concerned over pedestrian safety around the junction of Wollaton Road close to the Admiral Rodney public house therefore the footway layout has been reviewed and the changes proposed.

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):**

<b>1</b>	Replace the existing seven pairs of speed cushions with six round top road humps; similar to the humps on Parkside. One pair of speed cushions will be removed to allow one of three pedestrian refuges to be built. This will also reduce the number of raised traffic calming features.
<b>2</b>	Remove the existing raised plateau near the Community Centre and Library to further reduce the number of raised traffic calming features.
<b>3</b>	Remove the three proposed chicane/ give-way features due to possible congestion issues and instead install three pedestrian refuges to improve pedestrian safety.
<b>4</b>	Relocate the proposed zebra crossing closer to the Library and Community Centre to be closer to the pedestrian desire line and to lessen the possibility of congestion onto Wollaton Road.
<b>5</b>	Slightly relocate bus stops (WO18 –Community Centre) and (WO07 - Library) to accommodate the proposed zebra crossing.
<b>6</b>	Create new and safer crossing points for pedestrians by extending the paving (Riven Yorkstone) around the Village Pump to Wollaton Road.
<b>7</b>	Create a new footway by building out from the northern side of Bramcote Lane with Wollaton Road and to accommodate three parking spaces adjacent to the cottages.
<b>8</b>	Create a new safer crossing point for pedestrians by building out the footway on the southern side of Bramcote Lane with Wollaton Road. This will also create potentially four new parking spaces adjacent to the cottages on the south side of Bramcote Lane.
<b>9</b>	Remove the proposed two Vehicle Activated Signs (“too expensive” & “not in-keeping with the area”) and instead replace with 20mph roundels on the carriageway, at appropriate locations, to remind motorists to travel at 20mph.
<b>10</b>	Relocate the existing internally illuminated “keep left” bollards away from the Village Pump and put in recessed up-lighters to highlight the Village Pump.
<b>11</b>	In partnership with Nottingham in Bloom relocate and upgrade the existing planters and put in additional planters where appropriate.
<b>12</b>	Remove unnecessary pedestrian guard railing around the Village Pump area.
<b>13</b>	Relocate the triangle warning “bend ahead” sign adjacent to St Leonard’s Church to a more appropriate location.

**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 The formal consultation is programmed to begin in June 2014. Two Community Events will also be held during the formal consultation process to enable citizens to comment on the proposed scheme. All changes are subject to consultation. The plan showing the proposals detailing the above alterations is currently being designed and is not yet available.

- 1.3 All statutory consultees will be contacted to ensure there are no objections prior to the commencement of any actual works.

**2. BACKGROUND (INCLUDING OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION)**

- 2.1 The proposed features of this scheme are subject to consultation. The plan showing the proposals detailing the alterations is currently being designed and will be available before the start of the consultation.

**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**

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

- 8.2 Bramcote Lane Traffic Calming Scheme Area Committee Report, February 2014.