ROTHERHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL – REPORT TO MEMBERS

1.	Meeting:	Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Environment
2.	Date:	6 th June 2011
3.	Title:	Proposed New Pedestrian Refuges Various Locations; Ward 3 Brinsworth and Catcliffe Ward 9 Maltby, Ward 11 Rother Vale,
4.	Directorate:	Environment and Development Services

5. Summary

To seek approval from the Cabinet Member to progress proposals to provide new pedestrian refuge's at three identified locations within the borough.

6. Recommendations

Cabinet Member is asked to resolve that

- 1. Authority be given for the outline design and consultation to be carried out; and
- 2. Subject to receiving no objections to the proposals then the scheme be designed and implemented.
- 3. Note that the scheme is to be funded from the Local Transport Plan 3 Integrated Transport programme 2011 /12.

7. Proposals and Details

In view of the limited budget that is available from the Local Transport Plan (LTP) Integrated Transport Programme 2011/12, early investigations have been carried out to determine which scheme proposals can be designed and implemented from within the Connectivity Block (walking and cycling) of this years allocated budget. Specifically, three locations have been identified where it is both desirable and feasible to construct a pedestrian refuge –

A631 Rotherham Road, Maltby (see appendix A)
B6066 Rotherham Road, Catcliffe (see appendix B)

B6410 Woodhouse Green, Thurcroft (see appendix C)

In view of the need to ensure that these schemes are progressed, this report seeks approval for their implementation in principle so that the detail design of each pedestrian refuge can then start with immediate effect. Subject to no objections being received during the relevant consultation periods implementation would commence at the earliest opportunity.

8. Finance

It is estimated that the works will cost approximately £35,000 for each pedestrian refuge with funding being available from the LTP3 Integrated Transport programme 2011 /12.

9. Risks and Uncertainties

Statutory Undertakers apparatus will require investigation and this may affect the overall scheme costs should any diversions be required. Furthermore any objections received as a result of the consultation exercise that cannot be resolved will require reporting to a future Cabinet Member meeting which will delay construction on site.

10. Policy and Performance Agenda Implications

The proposed scheme is in line with the Councils' objectives of achieving safer roads and encouraging walking and also accords with the Equalities Policy.

11.Background Papers and Consultation

Consultation with the Emergency Services, Ward Members, Parish Council and residential frontages affected by the proposals will be undertaken.

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