ROTHERHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL – REPORT TO MEMBERS

1.	Meeting:	Cabinet Member for Town Centres, Economic Growth and Prosperity Matters
2.	Date:	23 January 2012
3.	Title:	B6060 Outgang Lane/Knavesmire Avenue, Laughton Common – Proposed extension to splitter island. Ward 4 Dinnington
4.	Programme Area:	Environment and Development Services

5. Summary

To report to Cabinet Member the results of consultations carried out in relation to the extension of an existing splitter island associated with the Outgang Lane / Knavesmire Avenue roundabout.

6. Recommendations

Cabinet Member resolves that:-

i) Approval be given for detailed design work to be undertaken in relation to this proposed scheme, and for the scheme to be implemented.

7. Proposals and Details

As a consequence of certain motorists deliberately 'straight lining' Outgang Lane at the junction with Knavesmire Avenue and subsequently negotiating the roundabout against the flow of traffic, it is proposed to extend an existing splitter island to the east of the roundabout by approximately 16 metres thus creating a physical obstruction to these motorists within the existing central hatched area, as indicated on the attached plan (attached as Appendix A).

The splitter island will be extended by using kerbing and surfacing materials.

8. Finance

The scheme is estimated to cost approximately £15,000 including fees, with funding for the works identified being available from the Local Transport Plan Integrated Transport Programme for 2011/12.

9. Risks and Uncertainties

The estimated cost is dependant upon the need to implement appropriate traffic management measures while undertaking the works.

10. Policy and Performance Agenda Implications

The scheme is in line with objectives set out in the South Yorkshire Local Transport Plan, and the associated Road Safety and Casualty Reduction Strategy, for improving road safety and managing traffic. In addition, the proposal is in line with the Councils' main themes of Alive, Safe and Achieving; and also accords with the Equalities Policy.

11. Background Papers and Consultation

Following concerns raised by local residents about certain motorists travelling on the wrong side of the existing splitter island, in order to 'straight line' Outgang Lane, when travelling from Dinnington to Thurcroft, which has resulted in one reported personal injury accident during the last three years, it is proposed to extend the island by approximately 16 metres to create a physical obstruction within the hatched area where the manoeuvres are being initiated.

To obtain comments on the proposed scheme, consultations were carried out with Local Ward Members, Parish Councillors, Emergency services, South Yorkshire Passenger Transport Executive, local businesses and residents, during October this year. From these consultations no objections were received.

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