

ROTHERHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL – REPORT TO MEMBERS

1.	Meeting:	Regeneration and Development
2.	Date:	2nd September 2013
3.	Title:	Fenton Road, Bradgate. Ward 13 Proposed controlled pedestrian crossing and cycle improvement scheme
4.	Directorate:	Environment and Development Services

5. Summary

To report a proposal for a pedestrian / cycle improvement scheme on Fenton Road, Bradgate including a new Toucan crossing and shared use footway.

6. Recommendations

Cabinet Member resolve that:-

- a) **The outline scheme proposals are noted and that approval is granted for the footways identified on drawing 126/17/TT238/2 be designated as shared pedestrian and cycle use under Section 66(4) and 65(1) of the Highways Act 1980.**
- b) **the detailed design for the proposal is undertaken and subject to no objections being received the scheme be implemented.**

7. Proposals and Details

Following a number of requests from local residents for a controlled crossing on Fenton Road near to the junction with the A629 New Wortley Road, a pedestrian / vehicle survey of the area established that the location meets the Council's criteria for implementing a controlled crossing. In addition, the opportunity has been taken to look at whether cycling routes could be improved in the area by modifying the design for the proposed crossing.

Cyclists would benefit from a shared use pedestrian / cycle footway on Fenton Road that stretches from the Roughwood Road Ring O' Bells junction toward the roundabout at the junction with the A629 New Wortley Road, crossing Fenton Road using the proposed controlled crossing and then continuing along a short length of footway before using the subway under the A629 to access Wortley Road. The route then joins an existing cycle route on Midland Road which provides a link between the Town Centre and the Bradgate area of town. It is intended that cyclists will cross Fenton Road using the proposed controlled crossing which will result in the crossing being a Toucan crossing.

8. Finance

The recommended scheme is expected to cost £150,000 and funding is available from the Local Transport Plan Integrated Transport Capital Programme for 2013/2014. The costs of modifying the scheme to include improvements to the cycling routes are marginal.

9. Risks and Uncertainties

Any objections to the scheme may result in design changes being required which could lead to a delay in implementation and an increase in scheme costs.

10. Policy and Performance Agenda Implications

The proposed scheme is in line with objectives set out in the Sheffield City Region Transport Strategy, and the associated Safer Roads and Casualty Reduction strategy for improving road safety.

11. Background Papers and Consultation

Statutory consultation with the emergency services and Ward members has been undertaken. Further discussions with Ward members have taken place in respect of the location of the crossing following concerns raised by members. No objections have been received.

A Location map showing outline details is attached as Appendix A

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