

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER DECISION

25TH JANUARY 2017

Executive Board Member:	Portfolio:
Cllr. Hazel Evans	Environment

Objection to proposed introduction of round top humps at Folland Road - Cwmaman

Recommendations / key decisions required:

That the executive Board Member for Environment:

- Consider the objection
- Consider the two options contained in the report
- Proceed with option two as set out in the report to progress the Safe Routes scheme

Reasons:

It is proposed to introduce traffic calming measures along a section of Folland Road which will complement the new footway being built as part of the Safe Routes scheme.

The County Council considers traffic calming measures to be desirable in the interests of pedestrian safety.

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Declaration of Personal Interest (if any):

None

Dispensation Granted to Make Decision (if any):

N/A

(If the answer is yes exact details are to be provided below:)

DECISION MADE:

Signed:

DATE: _____

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER

The following section will be completed by the Democratic Services Officer in attendance at the meeting
Recommendation of Officer adopted

YES / NO

Recommendation of the Officer was adopted **subject to the amendment(s) and reason(s) specified:**

Reason(s) why the Officer's recommendation was **not adopted:**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

25th January 2017

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Folland Road, near its junction with Tirycoed Road/Station Road in Ammanford is narrow for traffic movement in both directions. The proposed measures would cover a section of Folland Road near the entrance to the Amman Valley Hospital entrance.

The location for the round top humps was chosen following a scoping exercise undertaken by the project team; a specific stretch of Folland Road was identified near to where we are introducing a footway.

The humps are designed to reduce vehicle speed along a section of the road where pedestrians are required to walk in the carriageway.

Objections and comments:

Following the statutory consultation period, one objection has been received, from Cwmaman Town Council. This objection can be seen in Appendix 1.

As a result of the objection and subsequent site visits the County Council recommends the introduction of traffic calming measures and has completed two options for consideration. The County Council recommends proceeding with option 2.

Option 1- Proceed with the introduction of Round Top Humps

Option 1 is to proceed with installing the two round top humps on Folland Road as set out in the attached plan.

Option 2 – Do not construct round top humps and replace with vehicle activated signs

Option 2 as an alternative to two round top humps is to install with vehicle activated signs in the same location. The signs would be activated by vehicle movement and would warn drivers of pedestrians potentially being in the road.

Plans of options 1 (Appendix 1) and 2 (Appendix 2) have been attached as reference.

Recommendations:

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DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED ?

NO

IMPLICATIONS

I confirm that other than those implications which have been agreed with the appropriate Directors / Heads of Service and are referred to in detail below, there are no other implications associated with this report :

Signed: S G Pilliner

Head of Highways & Transport

Policy and Crime & Disorder	Legal	Finance	ICT	Risk Management Issues	Organisational Development	Physical Assets
YES	YES	YES	NONE	YES	NONE	NONE

1. Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities

Road safety is one of the seven key priorities of the Carmarthenshire Community Safety Partnership.

Improving walking and cycling link is highlighted as a policy in the Joint Local Transport Plan for South West Wales (2015-2020).

2. Legal

The county council, as the local highway authority, may exercise its powers in relation to the construction of the round top road humps, complying with the regulations contained within the Highways (Traffic Calming) Regulations 1999, Transport Note 01/07 Traffic Calming and Highways Act.

Noise complaint could lead to a challenge under the Environmental Protection Act 1990

Carmarthenshire County Council has a duty under the Active Travel Act (Wales) 2013 to develop, maintain and improve infrastructure that encourages active travel journeys.

3. Finance

The proposals are entirely financed by Welsh Government under the Safe Routes in Communities Grant.

5. Risk Management Issues

Risk of claim from objector to noise levels/damage in and around their property due to the introduction of hump. Also, risk that cost could be footed by the council to install microphones in the house to measure noise levels and if found to be unacceptable cost will need to be met to remove the measure.

CONSULTATIONS

I confirm that the appropriate consultations have taken in place and the outcomes are as detailed below

Signed: S G Pilliner

Head of Highways & Transport

(Please specify the outcomes of consultations undertaken where they arise against the following headings)

1. Scrutiny Committee – N/A

2. Local Member(s)

Cllr. David M Jenkins – Would prefer to proceed with option 2.

Cllr. Kevin Madge – Would prefer to proceed with option 2.

3. Community / Town Council

Cwmaman Town Council has been consulted as part of the statutory consultations and have previously viewed plans as part of the Safe Routes in Communities notification- Objection raised and mentioned above.

4. Relevant Partners

Emergency services and bus services as part of the statutory consultations- No objections raised.

5. Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations

Traffic Management- No concerns raised.

Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:

THERE ARE NONE

Title of Document	File Ref No.	Locations that the papers are available for public inspection