

THAMES VALLEY POLICE

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Proposed Traffic Calming – Castle Street, Marsh Gibbon, Buckinghamshire

Reference

I refer to the e-mail dated Wednesday 26th May from Mr. Ian Sharp, Team Leader, Directorate for Growth and Sustainability, Transport for Bucks (TfB) and associated drawing Numbered; 20-022/300 Revision C scaled at 1:1200 scaled at A1 showing a proposed priority narrowing in Castle Street, Marsh Gibbon Bucks.

History

There are no previous papers on this matter; there are no reported injury collisions in the five-year period from 01/02/2016 – 31/01/2021

Investigation

I am aware of the location and made a site visit on the 9th June at 13.00hrs, the weather was fine and dry and the traffic was light. The picture below shows the approach past the new development on the right, the give way lining for the feature will be approximately where the parked vehicles are on the left hand side in the opposite lane.



Figure 1 Looking in an easterly direction from the school entrance towards the proposed give way lines for the priority narrowing in line approximately where there are parked cars on the left.

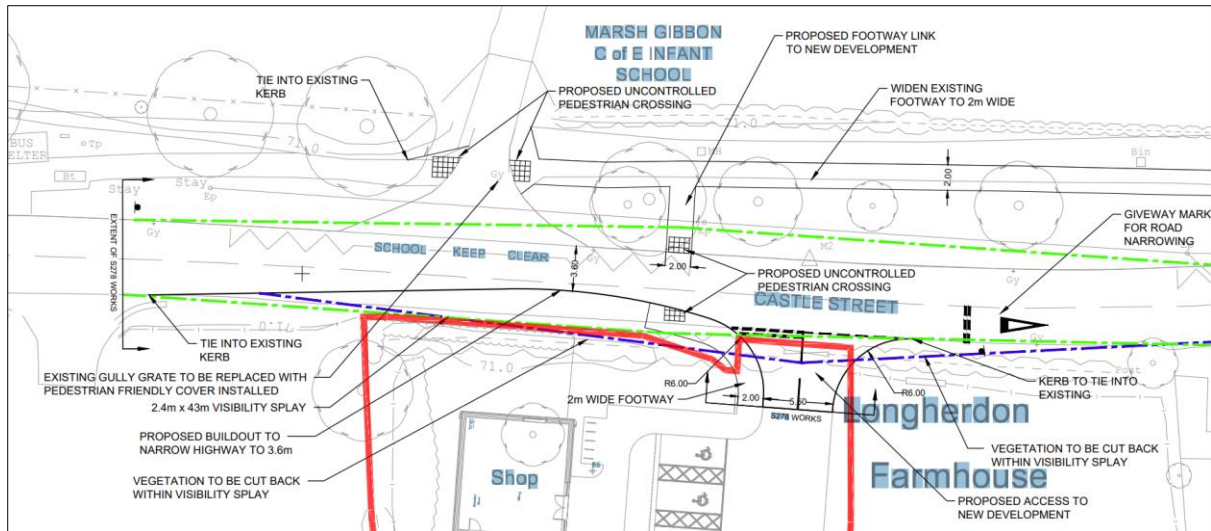


Figure 2 Layout of the proposed priority narrowing showing the school keep clear and uncontrolled pedestrian crossing points.

The above drawing shows the location of the build out, narrowing the main carriageway to 3.6ms with visibility good in both directions.

Priority narrowing's rely on traffic travelling in both directions as otherwise their calming effect is very limited, during the time of the site visit it would not have slowed the light traffic down at all due to the nature of this feature.

There will only be a short section of footway to the new development linking to the narrowing feature otherwise there is no other footway provision on this side of the carriageway.

As an observation if there is further development on this side of the carriageway, which would appear to be a possibility, then a more formal crossing point at this location would seem to be more appropriate for access to the school and the rest of the village.

Consultation

I have consulted together with Mr. Ian Sharp, Team Leader, Directorate for Growth and Sustainability, TfB in relation to these proposals.

Recommendation

I recommend that this report be forwarded to Mr. Ian Sharp, Team Leader, Directorate for Growth and Sustainability, TfB stating that the police have no objection to these proposals

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