



## Report to Leader (Transport portfolio)

<b>Decision Date:</b>	18 May 2022
<b>Reference number:</b>	TR19.22
<b>Title:</b>	<b>Dadford Road, Dadford - Proposed Round Top Speed Hump</b>
<b>Cabinet Member(s):</b>	Councillor Steve Broadbent
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<b>Ward(s) affected:</b>	Buckingham East;
<b>Recommendations:</b>	<b>It is recommended that the Leader approves that the proposed Speed Hump for Dadford Village be established.</b>
<b>Reason for decision:</b>	The proposal has the support and backing of the Local Parish. Thames Valley Police also have no objections to the scheme.

### 1. Executive summary

Buckinghamshire Council, in conjunction with MEPC Silverstone GP Ltd proposes to establish the Traffic Calming feature in the publicly maintained section of Silverstone Road, Dadford. These works will consist of a round top speed hump on Silverstone Road which will be located approx. 20 metres South of the northern most junction of North Hill and Silverstone Road.

### 2. Content of report

- 2.1 These proposed works would be carried out pursuant to and in accordance with and pursuant to the existing S278 Agreement which the developer entered in relation to the Traffic Calming works already carried out within the village of Dadford. Those

works were undertaken to comply with a Section 106 obligation as part of Planning Permission reference 16/02745/AOP and these works would be an addition to that.

- 2.2 A statutory consultation was undertaken on the proposal in January/February 2022.
- 2.3 Thames Valley Police, TfB Road Safety Team amongst other internal and external stakeholders were consulted.
- 2.4 One formal objection was received during the consultation stage. (See attached letter)

### **3. Other options considered**

- 3.1 No alternative scheme has been considered.

### **4. Legal and financial implications**

- 4.1 There will be no direct financial resource implications because the consultations and highway works are to be funded by the developer.

The Council's main powers in relation to provision of Traffic Calming are set out in the [Highways Act 1980](#) ("the Act"). Section 90G of the Act allows a highway authority to establish traffic calming works in a highway maintainable at the public expense for which they are the highway authority.

Before carrying out such works, the highway authority is required under section 4 of the Highway Traffic Calming Regulations 1999 to consult the chief officer of police about the proposal and to consult such person or organisations representing persons who use the highway or who are otherwise likely to be affected by the works as the highway authority thinks fit.

It has been held by the courts that to be effective, consultation must meet the following tests:

- the consultation must be at a time when proposals are still at a formative stage;
- the proposer must give sufficient reasons for any proposal to permit of intelligent consideration and response;
- adequate time must be given for consideration and response; and
- that the product of the consultation must be conscientiously taken into account in finalising any statutory proposals.

It would appear from the content of this report and the background documentation that the above tests were met in this instance.



## **5. Corporate implications**

- 5.1 All works including this consultation are funded by the developer.

## **6. Local councillors & community boards consultation & views**

- 6.1 A Statutory Public Consultation was carried out between 28<sup>th</sup> January 2022 and 20<sup>th</sup> February 2022. This consisted of site notices being erected on site, letter drops to all residents of North Hill and nearby residents of Silverstone Road. The consultation was also available to view on the Councils 'Your Voice Bucks' website. We also emailed the consultation to all internal and external stakeholders, including but not limited to the emergency services, road safety and local Councillors. Councillors Whyte, Mordue & Osibogun did not provide any comments or objection to the proposals whilst the consultation was live. I have since asked them to provide written confirmation of their position and to date only Warren Whyte has confirmed that he had no comments and he was happy to support the Parish Council's preference.
- 6.2 We received one objection from a local resident who did not agree with the location of the proposed speed hump stating that it was too close to the junction of North Hill and would create a noise issue for those adjacent to the feature. They suggested that the speed hump should be placed further out of the village prior to the crest of the road to the north. The proposed location of the speed hump was agreed with the local Parish Council and Local Councillor in response to concerns raised by residents of North Hill regarding vehicle speeds. Moving the speed hump further North would potentially result in vehicles speeding up again by the time they reach North Hill, therefore reducing the effectiveness of the hump on speeds as vehicles head South from Silverstone Circuit. With regard to increased noise, other humps have been installed in the village as part of the recent S278 works and we have not been made aware of any concerns or complaints being raised in relation to increased noise from vehicles traversing them since they were installed in November/December 2020.

## **7. Communication, engagement & further consultation**

- 7.1 No further communication has taken place since the original Statutory Consultation.

## **8. Next steps and review**

- 8.1 Once the decision has been made we will notify all responders to the consultation of the decision.



## **9. Background papers**

[Consultation Notice](#)

[Consultation Letter](#)

[Proposed Road Hump Plan](#)

Consultation Responses (Attached)

## **10. Your questions and views (for key decisions)**

- 10.1 If you have any questions about the matters contained in this report please get in touch with the author of this report. If you have any views that you would like the cabinet member to consider please inform the democratic services team. This can be done by telephone 01296 382343 or email [democracy@buckinghamshire.gov.uk](mailto:democracy@buckinghamshire.gov.uk).

