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Thames Valley Police	✓			<i>Thames Valley Police Response Report received 15<sup>th</sup> January 2024.</i> The TVP Summarising Comments, Stated; ...." the police have no objection to these proposals but making note of the comments made within the report ...."
SCAS			✗	<i>Response made 21st November 2023</i> Objection Comments Received. SEE BELOW FOR DETAILS
Resident	✓			<i>Response made 15<sup>th</sup> November 2023</i> Respondee Comment: To ensure most smooth journeys without accidents.
Resident	✓			<i>Response made 15<sup>th</sup> November 2023</i> Respondee Comment: A give way sign at the road side and 20mph speed limit around the area would be a good idea.
Resident	✓			<i>Response made 15<sup>th</sup> November 2023</i> Respondee Comment: Hope this happens. The speed some drivers go down Picasso is frightening.
Resident	✓			<i>Response made 16<sup>th</sup> November 2023</i> Respondee Comment: Good scheme, which should have been done years ago.
Resident	✓			<i>Response made 20<sup>th</sup> November 2023</i> Respondee made no comment.
Resident	✓			<i>Response made 21<sup>st</sup> November 2023</i> Respondee Comment: "I think this is a great idea as it slows traffic and gives the feel that you are supporting safe walking and cycling.  I love that you can go from Aylesbury town centre safely to the parkway station and to the Waddesdon Greenway"
Resident	✓			<i>Response made 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2023</i> Respondee made no comment.
Resident			✗	<i>Response made 27<sup>th</sup> November 2023</i>  Respondee Comment: "Having lived in Picasso Place for [...] years I believe that this puts me in a position to know that there is absolutely no need whatsoever for installing a raised table crossing. I am a retired resident who is able to see throughout the day the use of the road by all forms of traffic. I most certainly have not experienced any concerns over vehicle speeds and this includes numerous delivery vans who are a common sight on Picasso Place. Indeed what in effect is a speed bump is much more likely to cause increased air pollution due to low gear use as vehicles approach and drive over it.  As regards use by cyclists I would like to know if any form of cycling traffic census has taken place and if so, where might I view the results? Being at home all day I can confidently claim that any daily use by cyclists is virtually non existent. It

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				<p>is very, very rare to see anyone on bikes using the Emerald Way cycle route, certainly throughout the working day. There is very occasional use at weekends, sometimes with parents accompanying small children, but I must stress that this is on rare occasions and certainly not regularly and obviously weather dependent. In addition the kerbs on both sides of the road over which Emerald Way crosses on Picasso Place are already dropped and as such present no difficulty for the occasional cyclist, or for that matter pedestrians who wish to cross the road.</p> <p>The main use of the cycleway is very much people walking dogs to the nearby park and also by people like myself who take daily walks as a form of exercise in order to keep fit.</p> <p>I have never heard of, or witnessed any incidents that warrant any need to control vehicle speeds in Picasso Place and I have absolutely no concerns over safety issues.</p> <p>I must question whether anyone has actually visited the proposed site in person, and if so, have they taken the opportunity to speak to residents in order to gain an accurate picture of how little Emerald Way is used and the fact that there are no concerns relating to vehicle speeds."</p>
Resident	✓			<p align="center"><i>Response made 15<sup>th</sup> November 2023</i></p> <p>Respondee Comment: [...] I am well aware that the current situation is dangerous - scooters/bikes can come from the out of town side of the road down Platinum Way and carry on across the site at speed without being visible to road users till the last minute. There have been accidents and near misses there and it is only luck that there has been no serious injury. This work will not completely eliminate the danger but it will materially reduce the danger. It is no exaggeration to say that it may save someone's life.</p>
Resident	✓			<p><i>Response made 1<sup>st</sup> December 2023</i></p> <p><i>Resident's Comment:</i> This will give motorists a strong defence in court if they are hit by a cyclist riding recklessly. I have seen several near misses where cyclists, sometimes multiple cyclists, have ridden in front of cars without looking.</p> <p>As a cyclist I like the cycle paths. I wouldn't object to measures to slow down the cyclists approach to further enhance the safety of the crossing.</p> <p align="center">Thank you for coming up with this scheme.</p>

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Cycling UK	✓			<i>Response made 15<sup>th</sup> November 2023</i> I write in support of the proposed raised table.
Councillor	✓			<i>Response made 15<sup>th</sup> November 2023</i>  Cllr's Comment: [...] I am well aware that the current situation is dangerous - scooters/bikes can come from the out of town side of the road down Platinum Way and carry on across the site at speed without being visible to road users till the last minute. There have been accidents and near misses there and it is only luck that there has been no serious injury. This work will not completely eliminate the danger but it will materially reduce the danger. It is no exaggeration to say that it may save someone's life.
<b>TOTAL No. = 13</b>	<b>In Support = 11</b>	<b>Not Sure = 0</b>	<b>Oppose = 2</b>	

Respondee	Street Locality	Comment No.	Respondee Objection Comments	BHA - Designer's Response
			( Transposed from Above )	

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Resident X  Opposes the scheme	Picasso Place, Aylesbury		<i>Response made 27<sup>th</sup> November 2023</i>	
		1	Respondee Comment: "Having lived in Picasso Place for [...] years I believe that this puts me in a position to know that there is absolutely no need whatsoever for installing a raised table crossing. I am a retired resident who is able to see throughout the day the use of the road by all forms of traffic.	Opinion noted. However, the proposal will improve the safety for vulnerable users and less-confident pedestrians, whom wish to cross the road at this location.
		2	I most certainly have not experienced any concerns over vehicle speeds and this includes numerous delivery vans who are a common sight on Picasso Place.	Comment noted, that the consultee considers there are currently no existing dangers from fast moving traffic at this location.
		3	Indeed what in effect is a speed bump is much more likely to cause increased air pollution due to low gear use as vehicles approach and drive over it.	The design team agree that stopping of vehicles and moving off, could lead to a comparable increase in air pollution, though there are significantly increasing numbers of fully electric vehicles in use, mitigating this situation.
		4	As regards use by cyclists I would like to know if any form of cycling traffic census has taken place and if so, where might I view the results? Being at home all day I can confidently claim that any daily use by cyclists is virtually non-existent.	Buckinghamshire council has installed cycle-usage counters to survey usage for the platinum way, which evidence continuing significant increasing usage. One counter is within approximately 250m north of Picasso Place. This usage survey information is available for the general public, on the b.c. Web-site.
		5	It is very, very rare to see anyone on bikes using the Emerald Way cycle route, certainly throughout the working day.	Comment noted, that the consultee has very rarely seen any cyclists using the Emerald Way (now platinum way) during the working day. Designers response, as above.
		6	There is very occasional use at weekends, sometimes with parents accompanying small children, but I must stress that this is on rare occasions and certainly not regularly and obviously weather dependent.	Comment noted that the consultee has witnessed some occasional use of the cycle way at the weekends, during acceptable weather conditions.
7	In addition the kerbs on both sides of the road over which Emerald Way crosses on Picasso Place are already dropped and as such present no difficulty for the occasional cyclist, or for that matter pedestrians who wish to cross the road.	This statement is incorrect. Currently, only the north kerbline includes the required "dropped kerbs". On the opposite side of the road, (the south side), at this point, there are no "dropped" kerbs in place, only full height kerbs, with a grassed verge		

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		8	The main use of the cycleway is very much people walking dogs to the nearby park and also by people like myself who take daily walks as a form of exercise in order to keep fit.	behind.  Currently, users wanting to cross over the road, need to use the adjacent residents' driveway accesses, if they want to use a dropped crossing point.  Comment noted . Some the users listed by the consultee may benefit from the increased safety provided by the proposed scheme, if they want to cross the road.
		9	I have never heard of, or witnessed any incidents that warrant any need to control vehicle speeds in Picasso Place and I have absolutely no concerns over safety issues.	Comment noted
		10	I must question whether anyone has actually visited the proposed site in person, and if so, have they taken the opportunity to speak to residents in order to gain an accurate picture of how little Emerald Way is used and the fact that there are no concerns relating to vehicle speeds."	Comment noted. The design team has visited the site 3 times since october, for approximately two hours each visit, and spoken to between 2-3 residents on each occasion. These residents were all very supportive of the need for safety improvements, and were both supportive and backing of these proposals.
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<p align="center"><b>NHS South Central Ambulance Service</b></p> <p align="center"><u>Head of Operations, Emergency and Urgent Care.</u></p> <p align="center"><b>OBJECTION TO THE RAISED TABLE PROPOSALS</b></p>	<p align="center">N / A</p>	<p align="center">1.</p> <p align="center">2.</p> <p align="center">3.</p> <p align="center">4.</p> <p align="center">5.</p>	<p><i>Response made 21st November 2023.</i></p> <p>Raised tables dramatically reduce the speed of all vehicles and will affect Ambulances on blue lights and sirens on route to emergency calls.</p> <p>May potentially impact patients waiting for a pre-hospital emergency response.</p> <p>Will delay Emergency care to patients who are critically ill/injured with the delays transitioning through traffic and/or over the raised table.</p> <p>Will delay patients requiring transportation to an Emergency department on blue lights who are critically ill/injured.</p> <p>For patients in pain/broken limbs, this will add additional pain and discomfort as the Ambulance bumps up and down the table (even at low speeds) for patients either sitting or of the Ambulance Stretcher.</p>	<p><i>BC email – 19 Jan 2024</i></p> <p>Comment noted by Buckinghamshire highways alliance.</p> <p>This location is on the outer limits of the estate, and the town. This road leads to two cul-de-sacs, with relatively limited numbers of properties that would be considered to received an appropriate infrequent and limited demand for emergency ambulance visits.</p> <p>Comment noted. Bha provides same response as comment 1.</p> <p>Comment noted by Bha. Due to the volume of parked vehicles and the existing horizontal highway alignment present, within this network of streets, 1 no. Additional raised table is not considered to add any significant extra delay to Ambulance journey times, travelling through this area.</p> <p>Comment noted by bha. Response as described to item no. 3.</p> <p>Comment noted by bha. The gradient of the ramps are to uk govt design standards, for traffic calming measures with 75mm height raised tables. It is agreed that an ambulance will need to reduce its speed, when passing over the ramps, to avoid the effects described in this respondee objection.</p> <p><b><u>Additional BC comment, issued to s.c.a.s. For consideration, included with bc response email requesting s.c.a.s. Consider withdrawing their objection;</u></b></p> <p>Buckinghamshire council considers that (<i>the scas response</i>) is a disproportionate response for a raised table serving a quiet residential road serving approximately 25 properties; the ramps will be relatively shallow and it is very unlikely that it will significantly add to emergency response times due to the limited capacity for an ambulance to reach high speeds on approach in a residential setting. The aim of the table</p>
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<p><b>SOUTH CENTRAL AMBULANCE SERVICE</b></p> <p><u>Head of Operations. Emergency and Urgent Care.</u></p> <p><b><u>OBJECTION WITH-HELD TO THE RAISED TABLE PROPOSALS</u></b></p>			<p><u>SCAS – Response 2nd Email 21<sup>st</sup> January 2024</u>  Irrespective of the location being inner town or on the outskirts, any potential delay for even one patient is not acceptable.</p> <p>I also do not agree with the statement a raised table will not cause a significant delay with the progress of an Emergency vehicle. Any delay for a critically ill/injured patient requiring pre hospital emergency care for As outlined in my original email I still consider my objections to be relevant after reading your response which I believe does not take into considerations an Ambulance on emergency conditions going to or from these properties and that it could potentially delay emergency treatment/transportation to definitive care. Please consider the most common serious conditions being Heart attack and strokes whereby time is of the essence.</p>	<p>is to improve road safety and reduce risk of pedestrian and cyclist injuries.</p>
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