

Item No. 14.1	Classification: Open	Date: 28 January 2015	Meeting Name: Bermondsey and Rotherhithe Community Council
Report title:		Riverside Traffic Management Proposals	
Ward(s) or groups affected:		Riverside	
From:		Head of Public Realm	

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the Bermondsey and Rotherhithe Community Council comment upon the following recommendations that are due to be made to the cabinet member for regeneration, planning and transport:
 - In light of the positive consultation outcome (76% support) for the retention of the existing traffic management measures including the one-way restrictions in Pottery street and Wilson Gove, it is recommended that the scheme is retained on a permanent basis (subject to statutory consultation).

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

2. In accordance with Part 3H paragraph 19 and 21 of the Southwark Constitution, community councils are to be consulted on the detail of strategic parking/traffic/safety schemes. In practice this is carried out following public consultation.
3. The community council is now being given opportunity to make final representations to the Cabinet Member following public consultation.
4. Full details of all results associated with the study can be found in Appendix A the 'consultation report'.
5. A previous report was approved by the Cabinet Member in March 2013 to proceed with the scheme on a trial basis.
6. The Riverside traffic management proposals, including one-way restrictions in Pottery Street and Wilson Grove, were implemented in 2012 on a trial basis. It is now proposed to make the arrangements permanent and a further public consultation has been undertaken to gauge support in the local community for this.

KEY ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION

7. The scheme is considered a success since traffic volumes and speeds have reduced throughout the study area.

8. Informal public consultation took place with all residents and businesses within the consultation area from the 24th November 2014 until the 22nd December 2014.
9. Overall, support from respondents to the consultation is 76% for permanent retention of the scheme.
10. Full details of the consultation strategy, results, conclusions and recommendations can be found in Appendix 1.

RECOMENDATIONS TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR REGENERATION, PLANNING AND TRANSPORT

11. On the basis of the results of the public re-consultation the Cabinet Member is recommended to approve the retention of the existing traffic management measures in Pottery Street and Wilson Grove (subject to formal statutory consultation).

Policy implications

12. The recommendations contained within this report are consistent with the policies of the Transport Plan 2011, particularly:

Policy 1.1 – pursue overall traffic reduction

Policy 2.3 – promote and encourage sustainable travel choices in the borough

Policy 4.2 – create places that people can enjoy

Policy 5.1 - Improve safety on our roads and to help make all modes of transport safer.

Community impact statement

13. The implementation of any transport project creates a range of community impacts. All transport schemes aim to improve the safety and security of vulnerable groups and support economic development by improving the overall transport system and access to it. Cycling infrastructure proposals also have the added advantage of improving the environment through reduction in carbon emissions and social health and fitness benefits. No group has been identified as being disproportionately adversely affected as a result of these proposals. Cyclists and pedestrians will benefit.

Resource implications

14. This report is for the purposes of consultation only and there are no resource implications associated with it.
15. It is however noted that this project is funded by the 2014/2015 LIP programme which has an allocated budget of £100K for scheme reviews. Part of this £100K will be utilised to pay for the cost of consultation, officer time and drafting / advertising of the relevant traffic management orders.

Consultation

16. Ward members were consulted prior to commencement of the consultation.
17. Informal public consultation was carried out in November / December 2014, as

detailed above.

18. This report provides an opportunity for final comment to be made by the community council prior to a non-key decision scheduled to be taken by the Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Planning, and Transport following this community council meeting.
19. If approved for implementation this will be subject to statutory consultation required in the making of any permanent Traffic Management Orders.

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Background Papers	Held At	Contact
Transport Plan 2011	Southwark Council Environment Public Realm Network Development 160 Tooley Street London SE1 2QH Online: http://www.southwark.gov.uk/info/200107/transport_policy/1947/southwark_transport_plan_2011	Matthew Hill 020 7525 3541

APPENDICES

No.	Title
Appendix 1	Riverside Traffic Management Consultation Report

AUDIT TRAIL

Lead Officer	Des Waters, Head of Public Realm	
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