

Non-strategic Traffic and Highway improvement

Appendix	1
Location	Evelina Road
Proposal	Improvement of Pedestrian crossing facilities and footway widths
Ward(s) affected	Nunhead & Queens Road

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A non-strategic traffic and highway improvement is a small project where the council proposes to modify the existing Highway layout. This may include changes to waiting and loading restrictions, traffic calming, improved crossing facilities etc.

Under Part 3D of the council's constitution, the Cabinet Member is responsible for Transport Issues: To decide to implement a traffic and highway improvement project, subject to statutory consultation.

Background / Request

This request came from Councillors and local residents who are concerned about the lack of adequate crossing facilities along Evelina Road where local shops and restaurants are frequented by residents of the Nunhead & Queens Road area. The width of footways are also an issue, with accessible footway widths around 1m in places, which impact pedestrian, cyclist and other road users safety. A Loading bay is also to be installed on Kimberley Avenue in order to remove large vehicles unloading outside the Evelina Road shops.

Location

- Evelina Road, Nunhead & Queens Road
- Evelina Road has a large number of short stay parking bays
- The restriction there is Maximum stay 1 hour



Investigation and conclusions

- Officers visited site, and data was collected to analyse the situation raised by the Councillors and residents adequately. It was concluded that there is indeed poor pedestrian crossing facilities along Evelina Road. The footway also needs extending due to limited width in places, making it very difficult for double buggies and wheelchair users to easily pass. It was noted that a total of around 7 short stay parking bays will need to be removed in order to facilitate the works.



Recommendation

It was recommended to install a raised Zebra crossing to improve crossing facilities, and to buildout the footway resulting in road narrowing, thus reducing traffic speed and increasing safety for all road users.

This proposal is subject to Traffic Management Order (TMO) statutory consultation. A TMO is the legal mechanism the council as traffic authority uses to control aspects of the way that the highway is used. They provide the legal backing to signs and road markings used on the highway and allow them to be enforceable.

A detailed design drawing of the proposal is provided within this document.

Next steps

Should this non-strategic Traffic and Highway improvement proposal be approved, then arrangement will be made to carryout statutory consultation.

Following the statutory consultation period, the council will make arrangements to install the restrictions (road marking and signage).

Should objections be received during the statutory consultation period, these will be presented to the Cabinet Member for determination.

Reference	1
Report author	BR
Ward members notified	Yes
Comments	None