Non-strategic Traffic and Highway improvement

Appendix	1
Location	Southwark Park Road
Proposal	Improvement of Bus Stop accessibility, and Pedestrian crossing
	facilities
Ward(s) affected	North Bermondsey

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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.

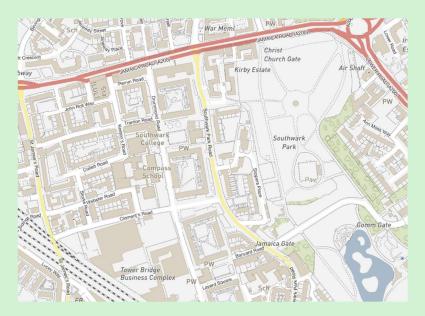
Under Part 3D of the council's constitution, the Cabinet Member is responsible for Transport Issues: To decide to implement a traffic and highway improvement project, subject to statutory consultation.

Background / Request

This request came from Councillors and local residents who are concerned about the lack of adequate crossing facilities between local estates around Bermondsey Station and Southwark Park, and the accessibility of Bus Stop no.71464 at Kirby Estate opposite Moreton House, all of which impact pedestrian, cyclist and other road users safety.

Location

- Southwark Park Road, Bermondsey
- Southwark Park Road has a large number of Permit holders only bays (G).
- The restriction there is Every day 8.30am 11pm



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 Southwark Park Road. The Bus Stop buildout also needs extending due to poor accessibility, and visibility of commuters waiting at the Bus Stop, which is obscured due to parking bays. It was noted that a total of 11 Permit Holder 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 extend the Bus Stop buildout and 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