

Southend-on-Sea Borough Council

Agenda
Item No.

Report of Corporate Director for Place
To
**Traffic & Parking Working Party & Cabinet
Committee**
On
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**Petition Requesting Amendments to Junction Layout
Carnarvon Road and Victoria Avenue**

Executive Councillor: Councillor Terry
A Part 1 Public Agenda Item

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 To advise Members of a petition received from residents with 73 signatories of Tunbridge Road and Penhurst Avenue to amend the current junction layout at Carnarvon Road and Victoria Avenue to accommodate a right turn manoeuvre into Victoria Avenue from Carnarvon Road.

2. Recommendation

That the Traffic & Parking Working Party and Cabinet Committee:

a) Note the petition and thank the residents for taking the time to compile the petition ; and

b) Note that investigations are being undertaken with regard to the existing manoeuvres and traffic flows at this location as part of development potential on the west side of Victoria Avenue.

c) Agree that once the investigation is completed and designs created, to advertise any required Traffic Regulation Order amendments related to traffic flow.

d) If approved, further agree that in the event of there being no objections to the proposals, the Traffic Regulation Order be confirmed;

e) Note that all unresolved objections will be referred to the Traffic and Parking Working Party for consideration.

3. Background

- 3.1 The currently empty commercial premises on the west side of Victoria Avenue are subject to negotiations related to potential development. Victoria Avenue has been the subject of a City Deal and Local Growth Funding and it is also included in the Southend Central Area Action Plan (SCAAP) which is planning the future of this and other areas within the town centre.
- 3.2 It is likely that developments will increase and affect traffic movements and as such, investigations are currently being undertaken to assess the likely impact and explore the potential of amendments to the existing junction layout in order to accommodate additional movements.

4. Other Options

- 4.1 Take no further action. The Council will be investigating traffic flows at this location and as such, the petitioners request can be considered.

5. Reasons for Recommendations

- 5.1 To gather information related to the traffic movements and create an appropriate proposal designed to manage the anticipated traffic flows.

6. Corporate Implications

6.1 Contribution to Council's Vision & Corporate Priorities

- 6.1.1 The recommendation meets the objectives of the Local Transport and Implementation Plan and the Council's aims of being a Safe and Prosperous Southend.

6.2 Financial Implications

- 6.2.1 Any costs are to be met through existing budgets and contributions from developers.

6.3 Legal Implications

- 6.3.1 Statutory consultation will be undertaken if traffic flows are to be amended.

6.4 People Implications

- 6.4.1 Any works will be undertaken with existing resources.

6.5 Property Implications

- 6.5.1 None.

6.6 Consultation

- 6.6.1 Statutory consultation will be undertaken if traffic flows are to be amended.

6.7 Equalities and Diversity Implications

- 6.7.1 The objectives of improving safety and traffic flow takes account of all users of the public highway including those with disabilities and childcare responsibilities.

6.8 Risk Assessment

- 6.8.1 None.

6.9 *Value for Money*

6.9.1 N/A

6.10 *Community Safety Implications*

6.10.1 Traffic flows are amended to improve traffic flows and reduce accidents. The objectives of improving safety takes account of implications for community safety.

6.11 *Environmental Impact*

6.11.1 None

7. Background Papers

7.1 None

8. Appendices

8.1 None