

	<p>Finchley and Golders Green Area Committee</p> <p>4 February 2019</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Title</p>	<p>Leslie Road/ Leopold Road, N2- Consultation Results</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Report of</p>	<p>Strategic Director for Environment</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Wards</p>	<p>East Finchley</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Status</p>	<p>Public</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Urgent</p>	<p>No</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Key</p>	<p>No</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Enclosures</p>	<p>Appendix - Summary of Consultations BC/000742-03-1200-01 Rev A</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Officer Contact Details</p>	<p>Jamie Blake – Strategic Director for Environment Jamie.blake@barnet.gov.uk</p>

Summary

This report details the results of consultation for the road safety improvement scheme on Leslie Road and Leopold Road including introducing a one-way system, reducing the speed limit to 20mph and providing 'Keep Clear' road markings at the junction with the High Road. The statutory consultation raised concerns regarding the proposals. This report considers the objections and asks the Committee to determine the way forward.

Recommendations

- 1. That the Finchley and Golders Green Area Committee note the results of the statutory consultation as set out in this report and the requests for a Controlled Parking Zone (CPZ).**
- 2. That the Finchley and Golders Green Area Committee agreed that no further action will be taken to progress the one-way system and 20 mph zone on Leslie Road and Leopold Road.**
- 3. That the Finchley and Golders Green Area Committee give instruction to the Strategic Director for Environment to carry out a detailed design and statutory consultation related to the introduction of a Controlled Parking Zone (CPZ) on Leslie Road and Leopold Road.**
- 4. That the results of the Statutory Consultation referred to in recommendation 3, are reported back to the Finchley and Golders Green Area Committee to determine whether the agreed proposal should be implemented or not, and if so, with or without modification and to allocate funding to implement the scheme.**
- 5. That the Finchley and Golders Green Area Committee note that the detailed and Statutory consultation will be undertaken with the existing funded allocated to one-way and 20mph scheme from this year's CIL Area Committee budget.**

1. WHY THIS REPORT IS NEEDED

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to consider objections to the statutory consultation on the proposed one-way system and reducing the speed limit to 20mph on Leslie Road and Leopold Road, N2.
- 1.2 The proposals involve converting Leslie Road to one-way in a south-westbound direction and continuing onto Leopold Road in a one-way north-eastbound direction with entry into Leslie Road from Church Lane prohibited and an introduction of a 20umph zone on both roads. Then proposal also includes the provision of 'Keep Clear' road markings at the junction with the High Road.

2. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 Statutory consultation was carried out on proposals to improve road safety on Leslie Road and Leopold Road including installing a one-way system and reducing the speed limit to 20mph. As part of the statutory consultation process, the proposals were advertised on notices and published in the local press and London Gazette.
- 2.2 In addition, similar notices were erected on lamp columns and letters with the associated plans were delivered to properties on affected roads near the scheme.

- 2.3 A total of 336 properties on Leslie Road, Leopold Road, Church Lane and Trinity Road received a hand delivered letter and plans illustrating the scheme.
- 2.4 A summary of the representations, comments and objections are included in Appendix A.
- 2.5 81 responses to the statutory consultation were received comprising of statements of support, suggestions, comments and objections.
- 2.6 Of the 81 responses, 44 were either objections to the entire proposal or aspects of it. 6 responses included requests to extend the consultation area and a request for residents parking only for St. John's Villas.
- 2.7 The most prevalent issues raised by the objectors are as follows:
- That the measures will cause substantial inconvenience for some residents, particularly those at the south west end of Leslie Road and Leopold Road who routinely access Leslie Road from Church Lane (10 mentions).
 - That the measures will lead to an increase in vehicle speeds on Leslie Road and Leopold Road. (21 mentions).
 - That the measures will lead to an increase in noise and pollution on both roads. (13 mentions)
- 2.8 Of the 81 responses received, 19 requested the introduction of a Controlled Parking Zone (CPZ) on Leslie Road and Leopold Road to increase the availability of parking for residents of both roads. The residents do not want non-residents parking in their streets and they complained that they park on neighbouring roads.
- 2.9 It should also be noted that a total of 31 responses in support of the proposals were also received, which is less than the number of objections received.
- 2.10 Following the consultation period, ward members requested a meeting with officers to discuss the proposals and responses to the consultation. At the meeting on 7 November 2018, ward members also raised concerns related to the one-way proposals including a possibility of increased traffic speeds on Leslie Road and Leopold Road.
- 2.11 Ward members confirmed that the feedback from local residents was that a CPZ would be the preferred option, this was also the preferred option with ward members and the consensus of the meeting was that the proposed scheme with the one- way should not be progressed.
- 2.12 In addition to the consultation responses, it should also be noted that a petition co-signed by 144 households, requesting for a CPZ to be introduced, was

presented to the Finchley and Golders Green Residents forum on 9 January 2019. At the forum it was noted that the petition would be considered as part of this report.

- 2.13 Having considered the feedback to the comments made during the consultation period and following the meeting with ward members, Officers views are as follows:
- The responses received to the one-way proposals were mostly negative with 19 responses requesting a CPZ;
 - Officers are satisfied that there is sufficient evidence from the responses to the statutory consultation and meeting with ward councillors to justify that the scheme including the one way and the 20 mph zone is not progressed.
- 2.14 If approved by Committee, a statutory consultation would need to be carried out related to the request for a CPZ.

3. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND NOT RECOMMENDED

- 3.1 Officers considered modifying the proposals to allow access to Leslie Road from Church Lane but consensus from the meeting with ward members was that the one-way proposals shouldn't be progressed. However, if subsequently a one-way system is progressed the modified scheme as shown in drawing no. BC/000742-03-1200-01 would be proposed.

4. POST DECISION IMPLEMENTATION

- 4.1 Not applicable in the context of this report

5. IMPLICATIONS OF DECISION

5.1 Corporate Priorities and Performance

- 5.1.1 The scheme will help to address the Corporate Plan delivery objectives of “a clean and attractive environment, with well-maintained roads and pavements, flowing traffic”, “Barnet’s children and young people will receive a great start in life”, “Barnet will be amongst the safest places in London” and “a responsible approach to regeneration, with thousands of new homes built” by helping residents to feel confident walking to school, helping to reduce traffic congestion.
- 5.1.2 Improvements that encourage walking or other active travel will help to deliver the active travel and recreation opportunities identified in the Health and Wellbeing Strategy for children and the population generally.
- 5.1.3 The Joint Strategic Needs also identifies that encouraging travel by foot, bicycle or public transport could drive good lifestyle behaviours and reduced demand for health and social care services.

5.2 Resources (Finance & Value for Money, Procurement, Staffing, IT, Property, Sustainability)

- 5.2.1 An annual allocation of £150k is made to each Area Committee. The Finchley and Golders Green Area Committee balance is £17,315. This takes account of the amount allocated for the current year together with under and overspends relating to previous financial years. The balance is reduced for 2018/19 due to a lack of CIL awards in 2017/2018 in the Finchley and Golders Green Area.
- 5.2.2 The £12,650 that was allocated to implement the proposed one-way system and 20mph scheme (based on prices contained in Year 4, Volume 4 Adjusted Rates – London Highways Alliance Contract (LoHAC) Northwest). If alternative proposals, such as a CPZ, are recommended by the Committee the costs of the design and statutory consultation can be met from the original budget allocation.
- 5.2.3 Future maintenance of electrical apparatus shall pass to Barnet Lighting Services, the PFI Contractor, who will charge a commuted sum for the maintenance – the cost of this can be absorbed within existing Council revenue budgets.
- 5.2.4 The work will be carried out under the existing PFI (electrical) and LoHAC (non-electrical) term maintenance contractual arrangements.

5.3 Social Value

- 5.3.1 As procurement is via existing term or framework agreements, there are no relevant social value considerations in relation to this work.

5.4 Legal and Constitutional References

- 5.4.1. The Council's Constitution, in Article 7, states that that Area Committees: "In relation to the area covered have responsibility for all constituency specific matters relating to the street scene including parking, road safety, transport, allotments" parks and trees.
- 5.4.2. The Traffic Management Act 2004 places obligations on authorities to ensure the expeditious movement of traffic on their road network. Authorities are required to make arrangements as they consider appropriate for planning and carrying out the action to be taken in performing the duty.

5.5 Risk Management

- 5.5.1 None in the context of this report. Risk management may be required for work resulting from this report.

5.6 Equalities and Diversity

- 5.6.1 Section 149 of the 2010 Equality Act outlines the provisions of the Public-Sector Equalities Duty which requires Public Bodies to have due regard to the need to:

- Eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation and other conduct prohibited by the Equality Act 2010
- Advance equality of opportunity between people from different groups
- Foster good relations between people from different groups.

5.7. Corporate Parenting

5.7.1. Not applicable in the context of this report

5.8. Consultation and Engagement

5.8.1. The responses from the statutory consultation have been reviewed and officers met with ward members. If a CPZ is progressed they will be a further Statutory consultation on the proposal.

5.9. Insight

5.9.1. None in context of this report.

6. BACKGROUND PAPERS

6.1 FINCHLEY AND GOLDERS GREEN AREA COMMITTEE 14 NOV 2017

<https://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/documents/g9275/Printed%20minutes%2014th-Nov-2017%2019.00%20Finchley%20Golders%20Green%20Area%20Committee.pdf?T=1>