
Meeting	Hendon Area Environment Sub-committee
Date	16 October 2012
Subject	Road Traffic Personal Injury Accident Clusters
Report of	Interim Director, Environment, Planning and Regeneration
Summary	The report contains the review carried out on the worst 4 accident cluster sites identified in the report presented to this committee in March 2012.

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Status (public or exempt)	Public
Wards affected	Only wards with the cluster areas
Enclosures	Appendix A – Accident Clusters Details and Responses
For decision by	Hendon Area Environment Sub-committee
Function of	Executive
Reason for urgency / exemption from call-in	Not applicable

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1. RECOMMENDATION

- 1.1 That the Sub-Committee approve the recommendations made for each of the four cluster sites and authorise their progression as appropriate pending further design and consultation with Ward Members.**
- 1.2 That any objections from the consultation stage be resolved by the Director for Environment, Planning and Regeneration in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Environment.**

2. RELEVANT PREVIOUS DECISIONS

- 2.1 Hendon Area Environment sub-committee, 21 November 2011, item 6. Following discussion and consideration of a report on road traffic accident locations the subcommittee resolved:
 - To request that further data analysis during a latest available 3 year period be provided to a future meeting in respect of table 9.9 in the report [Locations in the Hendon Area where 7 or more injury accidents have occurred within a 50 metre radius over the 3 years 2008-2010] and including the junction of Colindeep Lane and Rushgrove Avenue;
 - To request the appropriate officer to identify whether the neighbouring boroughs of Harrow and Brent can make available any data they may hold on re-surfacing policy and their approach to introducing or removing road humps or similar with a view to ascertaining the impact on vehicle speeds following the introduction or removal of such measures.
- 2.2 Hendon Area Environment sub-committee, 14 March 2012, item 6. Following discussion and consideration of a report on road traffic accident locations the subcommittee resolved:
 - That the sub-Committee note the report.
 - That the sub-Committee instruct the Interim Director of Environment, Planning and Regeneration to review the following clusters/junctions for the benefit of pedestrian safety and other road users, to consider what further improvements can be made.
 - Cluster 2 - PARSON STREET J/W FINCHLEY LANE
 - Cluster 7 - WEST HENDON BROADWAY J/W PARK ROAD
 - Cluster 9 - EDGWARE ROAD J/WCOLINDALE AVENUE
 - Cluster 10 - EDGWARE ROAD HIGH STREET J/W STATION ROAD

This review is to be reported to the Hendon Area Environment Committee in September or the nearest available meeting to September.

3. CORPORATE PRIORITIES AND POLICY CONSIDERATIONS

- 3.1 The Corporate Plan priority “A Successful London Suburb” includes the objective “to work with all strategic partners (particularly the Police) to ensure Barnet is a safe place”.

4. RISK MANAGEMENT ISSUES

- 4.1 No risk management issues arising directly out of this report.

5. EQUALITIES AND DIVERSITY ISSUES

- 5.1 In Barnet the majority of road traffic casualties are car occupants but, in common with other areas, pedestrians, cyclists and motorcyclists are more likely to be seriously injured if involved in an accident. Younger adults aged 17 to 30 are disproportionately likely to

be traffic casualties but older people (over 70) more likely to suffer serious injury. 12-16 year olds are also slightly more likely to be seriously injured. Men are more likely to be road traffic casualties than women.

- 5.2 There are documented links between deprivation and accident risk and some evidence of variation between ethnic groups that is independent of differences in deprivation, although these are not well understood.

6. USE OF RESOURCES IMPLICATIONS (Finance, Procurement, Performance & Value for Money, Staffing, IT, Property, Sustainability)

- 6.1 It is proposed that the funding required to implement the proposed measures be met by the LIP's Traffic and Road Safety allocation for financial year 2012/13.

- 6.2 Fund will be required as follow:

- Cluster 2: £5,000
 - Cluster 7: £15,000
 - Cluster 9: £0
 - Cluster 10: £0
- Total: £20,000**

- 6.3 There will be no staffing, IT, property, sustainability, or procurement issues as a result of the implementation of these measures.

- 6.4 Any financial implications will be contained within the Environment, Planning and Regeneration budgets.

7. LEGAL ISSUES

- 7.1 The Council has a statutory duty under section 39 of the Road Traffic Act 1988 to monitor traffic accidents on its road network and take such measures as appear appropriate to address them.

8. CONSTITUTIONAL POWERS

- 8.1 Constitution Part 3 – Responsibility for Functions – Area Environment Sub- Committees perform functions that are the responsibility of the Executive including highways use and regulation not the responsibility of the Council

9. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 9.1 Accident information is recorded by the Police in accordance with the national Stats 19 reporting system. In London the information is provided to Transport for London who produce a wide range of reports and also make the data available to individual boroughs.

- 9.2 A report to the Area Environment sub-committee on 21st November 2011 identified locations in the borough and in the sub-committee's area where seven or more Personal Injury Accidents had occurred in the three year period 2008-2010. The report also included background information which may be helpful in interpreting this report.

- 9.3 A subsequent report was presented to the Area Environment sub-committee on 14th March 2012 when it was agreed that the worst four locations in terms of accident record will be reviewed to see if improvement can be made.

9.4 Appendix A provides the original assessment for the worst four clusters as well as the assessment made by the Traffic and Development Section in terms of potential improvements to each of these sites.

10. LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

10.1 Hendon Area Environment sub-committee report and decision, 21 November 2011

10.2 Hendon Area Environment sub-committee report and decision, 14 March 2012

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