



**EFFINGHAM COMMON ROAD,
EFFINGHAM JUNCTION
PROPOSED PEDESTRIAN REFUGE**

**SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL
LOCAL COMMITTEE (GUILDFORD)**

1st DECEMBER 2005

KEY ISSUE

This reports recommends that a scheme to provide a pedestrian refuge on Effingham Common Road, Effingham Junction be abandoned.

SUMMARY

Concerns were raised by a member of the public about the safety of pedestrians crossing at this location, near Effingham Junction railway station. A feasibility study was carried out, which supported the proposal. Consultation with Effingham Parish Council, Surrey Police, County and Borough Members and Guildford Borough Council (GBC) resulted in a majority against the proposals.

Report by

LOCAL TRANSPORTATION DIRECTOR

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GUILDFORD B.C. WARD(S)

EFFINGHAM

COUNTY ELECTORAL DIVISION(S)

HORSLEYS

OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS

The Committee is asked to agree:

- (i) that the pedestrian refuge on Effingham Common Road, Effingham Junction, approved by this Committee on 20 January 2005 and shown in drawing number G744 be abandoned.

BACKGROUND TO RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1 A report on this subject was brought to the last meeting of this Committee. It recommended abandoning the scheme.
- 2 At the meeting, Cllr Liz Hogger proposed that further investigation be carried out with a view to seeking an alternative position for the island without the drawbacks associated with the proposed site. Cllr. Barker offered to put forward £1000 from his Member Revenue Allowance to fund this further investigation.
- 3 Subsequently this has been discussed by Effingham Parish Council (EPC), who have written via Cllr. Hogger expressing their very strong feelings that the island was not be acceptable at any location. In view of this, Cllr. Hogger has withdrawn her suggestion of further investigation, since relocating the island to the other end of the lay-by would plainly not receive the support of EPC. She would not wish to oppose EPC's view even if an alternative site was feasible, and agrees that the scheme should be abandoned.

CONCLUSIONS & REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 4 In view of the above, the officer recommendation put to the previous meeting that the scheme be abandoned is again put forward for the Committee's approval.

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BACKGROUND PAPERS	Guildford Local Committee Reports: 20 January 2005 and 20 October 2005
