

Item 25

B3015 DEEPCUT BRIDGE ROAD/THE MAULTWAY, CAMBERLEY - CYCLEWAY SCHEME

SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL'S LOCAL COMMITTEE (SURREY HEATH)

8th December 2005

KEY ISSUE:

To request approval of a scheme to provide a pedestrian/cycle facility along the Deepcut Bridge Road and The Maultway, from Swordsman Road to Red Road.

SUMMARY:

The re-development of the Alma Barracks and Dettington Barracks off Deepcut Bridge Road included an obligation by the developers to implement a number of Highway improvements as part of the development. One of the obligations is to provide a new cycleway between the development and the junction with Red Road.

The developer is obliged to enter into a Section 278 Agreement in accordance with their Planning Conditions and as such approval is required from the Local Committee to change the status of the footway along the route to a footway/cycleway before construction begins.

Approval is therefore sought to permit cyclists to use the footways between Swordsman Road, Deepcut and Red Road, Heatherside, as a shared footway/cycleway, once the scheme is completed satisfactory.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Local Committee in Surrey Heath

- i) approve the use of the footway along Deepcut Bridge Road/The Maultway, between Swordsman Road and Red Road as a shared cycleway/footway. Annex A.

INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

1. The Alma Barracks and Dettington Barracks, Deepcut were redeveloped in 2002, which resulted in the construction of a residential development known as Alma Dettington.
2. The developer is obliged to enter into a Section 278 Agreement with Surrey County Council to comply with the conditions of their Planning Conditions. This consists of an Agreement to construct and fund a new cycle provision from the

end of the existing cycleway along Deepcut Bridge Road northwards along The Maultway to it's junction with B311 Red Road.

3. The developer, Barrett Homes Ltd., are also undertaking Traffic Calming measures through Deepcut village and this forms part of other obligations under the same Planning Conditions.

ANALYSIS AND COMMENTARY

4. The proposals would include minor widening of the existing footway to provide a 2 metre wide cycle/footway.
5. Approval is required from the Local Committee to permit cyclists to use the footway between Swordsmans Road and Red Road in order that the developer can comply with their Planning Obligation and begin construction.
6. Surrey Heath LTS are currently progressing designs to continue the cycleway between Red Road along The Maultway, through Sovereign Drive, Portsmouth Road and Gibbet Lane to link with the existing cycle provision on the A30 London Road. This is to be funded from separate Developer contributions.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

7. The costs of implementing the design, construction and supervision of the proposals will be met by the Developer. There are no financial implications on the Local Transportation Service.

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT IMPLICATIONS

8. Surrey has embraced the concept of sustainable development, which is the foundation of Surrey's Local Transport Plan and is committed to the vision of making Surrey a better place.

CRIME & DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

9. The Surrey Heath Crime and Disorder strategy seeks to continually improve the safety of the community. This proposal will formalise off-road cycling at a location where it is currently prohibited.

EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

10. Across the range of transportation issues and problems to be addressed the needs of all highway users require equal consideration. Proposals may benefit a particular group or individuals but it is important to consider and address how one impact may worsen others.

CONCLUSION AND REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

11. The progression of the cycle provision will help to contribute towards encouraging greater use of cycling and provide an improved cycle link between Deepcut and Heatherside and ultimately towards Camberley and Bagshot.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Local Committee in Surrey Heath

- i) approve the use of the footway along Deepcut Bridge Road/The Maultway, between Swordsman Road and Red Road as a shared cycleway/footway. Annex A.
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