

**Item 20**

**A322 Guildford Road, Bisley  
Proposed Pedestrian and Cycle Improvements**

SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL'S  
LOCAL COMMITTEE (SURREY HEATH)

**9<sup>th</sup> March 2006**

**KEY ISSUE:**

To approve advertisement for the implementation of 'toucan crossings', the revocation an existing 'No Entry' traffic order and to permit sections of footway to be widened and used by cyclists at A322 Guildford Road, Bisley.

**SUMMARY:**

A scheme to improve the junction of A322 Guildford Road/ Shaftesbury Road/Church Lane, Bisley was approved by the County Council's Executive. The improvement formed part of the A322 Route Management Study, promoted by the County Council following its decision to abandon the West End/Bisley Bypass.

The Executive allocated funding over 3 financial years to provide the scheme and now that the outstanding land issues have been resolved, construction can be progressed. The overall scheme is shown in Annex A and includes for a new roundabout and enhanced pedestrian and cycle provision. This requires the construction of a new crossing and the conversion of an existing crossing near to Bisley Village Hall. The sections of footway linking the crossing points will be widened to accommodate a shared cycle route. The proposals also require the revocation of a 'No Entry' traffic order.

**OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS:**

That the Local Committee (Surrey Heath)

- i. approve the use of the footways along Guildford Road, Bisley as shared cycleways/footways, as shown in Annex A,
- ii. advertise a notice in accordance with the Traffic Regulation Act 1984 the effects of which will be to:
  - (a) implement one new and convert an existing crossing to toucan crossings as shown in Annex A,
  - (b) revoke the existing 'No Entry' traffic Order as shown in Annex A; and subject to no objections being maintained the order be made,
- iii. The Local Transportation Manager in consultation with the Chairman of the Local Committee resolve any objections received in connection with the proposals.

## **INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND**

1. A scheme to improve the junction of A322 Guildford Road/Shafesbury Road/Church Lane, Bisley was approved by the County Council's Executive. The improvement formed part of the A322 Route Management Study, which was promoted by the County Council following its decision to abandon the West End/Bisley Bypass.
2. Due to the cost of the scheme it has been progressed as an intermediate scheme and funded centrally rather than from the Committee's devolved LTP budget.
3. The Executive allocated funding over 3 financial years to provide the scheme and now that the outstanding land issues have been resolved, construction can be progressed.

## **ANALYSIS AND COMMENTARY**

4. The overall scheme is shown in Annex A and includes for a new roundabout and enhanced pedestrian and cycle provision. This requires the construction of a new crossing, which can be used by both pedestrians and cyclists. Furthermore, an existing crossing near to Bisley Village Hall requires conversion to allow it to be used by cyclists. The sections of footway linking the crossing points as shown in Annex A will be widened to accommodate a shared cycle route.
5. The existing road layout provides for a 'No Entry' traffic order to prevent vehicles from entering a section of carriageway adjacent to Shafesbury Road. Following construction of the scheme it will be necessary to revoke the existing traffic order.

## **CONSULTATION**

6. Consultation has previously been undertaken for the scheme. The advertising of the traffic orders will provide for the statutory requirements for the scheme to progress.

## **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

7. The scheme is being funded, centrally, from Surrey's LTP and does not effect Surrey Heath District's devolved budget.

## **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. Funding from the integrated transport budget will be expended on projects and schemes in line with this vision whilst fulfilling its key commitments.

## **EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS**

9. 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.

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**BACKGROUND PAPERS: None**

**Number of Annexes: 1**