

LOCAL COMMITTEE (REIGATE & BANSTEAD)**DATE: 1 MARCH 2021****LEAD OFFICER: ZENA CURRY, AREA HIGHWAY MANAGER****SUBJECT: A240 REIGATE ROAD/GREAT TATTENHAMS/TATTENHAM WAY, BURGH HEATH TRAFFIC SIGNALS IMPROVEMENT****DIVISION: NORK & TATTENHAMS****SUMMARY OF ISSUE:**

In June 2015 Reigate & Banstead Local Committee approved a scheme to provide a shared pedestrian cycle path along the A240 Reigate Road, Burgh Heath between the path across Burgh Heath to Chetwode Road and Church Lane.

This report is supplementary to that report and seeks authority to make changes to the traffic signals at the junction of the A240 Reigate Road with Great Tattenhams and Tattenham Way to enable cyclists to use the crossing. Authority is also sought to extend the length of footway to be widened as part of the scheme.

RECOMMENDATIONS:**The Local Committee (Reigate & Banstead) is asked to:**

- i. Approve the planned changes to the traffic signals at the junction of the A240 Reigate Road with Great Tattenhams and Tattenham Way.
- ii. Agree that the additional length of the A240 Reigate Road footway be widened as part of the shared pedestrian cycle path scheme.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS:

To enable improvements to the signalised crossing at the junction of the A240 Reigate Road with Great Tattenhams and Tattenham Way to be included as part of the scheme to provide a shared pedestrian cycle path along the A240 Reigate Road.

1. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND:

- 1.1 A scheme to provide a shared pedestrian cycle path along the A240 Reigate Road, Burgh Heath between Church Lane and the path across Burgh Heath to Chetwode Road is currently being designed – see **Annex 1**. This path will provide part of a route for cyclists linking the Preston estate with The Beacon school and Banstead town centre.
- 1.2 The junction of the A240 Reigate Road, Burgh Heath with Great Tattenhams and Tattenham Way is a four- armed junction controlled by traffic signals and is part way along the shared pedestrian cycle path. There are push button pedestrian crossing facilities and these have a narrow central island on each arm of the crossing. The current pedestrian crossing facilities are not wide enough to comply with current standards for a shared pedestrians and cyclists

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crossing. Cyclists could use the current crossing by dismounting and using the crossing as a pedestrian.

- 1.3 There is an existing cycle route on the carriageway of Great Tattenhams between Shawley Way and the A240 Reigate Road and on Church Lane between the A240 Reigate Road and The Drive – see **Annex 1**. This cycle route forms part of National Cycle Network (NCN) route 22 which currently links Banstead and Batts Corner south of Farnham.

2. ANALYSIS:

- 2.1 It is proposed that the current pedestrian crossings on all four arms of the junctions are upgraded to toucan crossings. A toucan crossing is a type of crossing that cyclists can ride their bicycles across and is wider than a pedestrian crossing. It is called a toucan as two (both pedestrians and cyclists) can cross together.
- 2.2 It is suggested that this work is carried out in two phases:

Phase 1 - improvements to the Great Tattenhams arm, and the northern arm of the A240 Reigate Road, detailed in **Annex 2**.

Phase 2 - improvements to the Tattenham Way arm, and the southern arm of the A240 Reigate Road, detailed in **Annex 2**.
- 2.3 The Phase 1 works will allow cyclists, using both the new shared pedestrian cycle path on the A240 Reigate Road and the existing NCN route 22, to cycle across Great Tattenhams and Reigate Road without needing to dismount and push their bikes across the crossing.
- 2.4 The Phase 2 works are desirable as the junction is near The Beacon secondary school. The Beacon School is on Picquets Way which is off Tattenham Way. The junction can be busy with pedestrians at the beginning and end of the school day and school pupils will be more likely to use the crossing correctly if all four arms have wider, toucan crossings.
- 2.5 Design work has started on the A240 shared pedestrian cycle path. It has been identified that two sections of the footway, between the signalised junction into the Asda superstore and the path across to Burgh Heath to Chetwode Road, do not meet current Department for Transport guidance for the recommended minimum width of shared use routes.
- 2.6 There is a grass verge between the footway and carriageway along these sections. It is proposed that these sections of footway be widened into the verge as part of the construction of the shared pedestrian cycle path – see **Annex 3**.

3. OPTIONS:

3.1 OPTION 1

Approve changes to the traffic signals at the junction of the A240 Reigate Road, Great Tattenhams and Tattenham Way to provide toucan crossings on all four arms of the junction. Construction work to be carried out in two phases.

Approve the widening of two sections of footway on the A240 Reigate Road south of the signalised junction into the Asda superstore, as part of the construction of the shared pedestrian cycle path.

3.2 OPTION 2

Do not approve changes to the traffic signals at the junction of the A240 Reigate Road, Great Tattenhams and Tattenham Way to provide toucan crossings on all four arms of the junction.

Do not approve the widening of two sections of footway on the A240 Reigate Road south of the signalised junction into the Asda superstore, as part of the construction of the shared pedestrian cycle path.

4. CONSULTATIONS:

- 4.1 The frontages on the affected section of the A240 Reigate Road footway will be advised of the proposals.
- 4.2 The scheme will be the subject of road safety audit at appropriate times.

5. FINANCIAL AND VALUE FOR MONEY IMPLICATIONS:

- 5.1 The cost of the scheme includes the design and implementation of changes to the traffic signals, widening the footway and installing the appropriate signs.
- 5.2 There is developer funding available from a Section 106 agreement for improvements to the traffic signals at the junction of the A240 Reigate Road with Great Tattenhams and Tattenham Way.
- 5.3 It is estimated that this funding will be sufficient to carry out Phase 1 of the improvements to the junction detailed in paragraphs 2.2 and 2.3 above.
- 5.4 Additional funding will be sought to enable Phase 2 of the improvements to the junction detailed in paragraphs 2.2 and 2.4, to be carried out in the future.
- 5.5 There is developer funding available from the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) for the construction of the shared pedestrian cycle path.

6. EQUALITIES AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS:

- 6.1 The Highway Service is mindful of its needs within this area and attempts to treat all users of the public highway with equality and understanding.

7. LOCALISM:

- 7.1 The Highway Service is mindful of the localism agenda, and the wishes of the local community are taken into account wherever possible.

8. OTHER IMPLICATIONS:

Area assessed:	Direct Implications:
Crime and Disorder	Set out below.
Sustainability (including Climate Change and Carbon Emissions)	Set out below.
Corporate Parenting/Looked After Children	No significant implications arising from this report
Safeguarding responsibilities for vulnerable children and adults	No significant implications arising from this report
Public Health	No significant implications arising from this report

8.1 Crime and Disorder implications

A well-managed highway network can contribute to a reduction in crime and disorder.

8.2 Sustainability implications

The creation of a new cycle link will encourage use of sustainable transport thus reducing the number of car journeys and therefore emissions.

9. CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 9.1 The proposed changes to the traffic signals at the junction of the A240 Reigate Road with Great Tattenhams and Tattenham Way to enable cyclists to use the crossing are currently being designed.
- 9.2 Two additional sections of footway on the A240 Reigate Road, Burgh Heath are widened as part of the construction of the shared footway/cycleway approved by the Local Committee in June 2015.
- 9.3 It is recommended that Option 1 is implemented as set out in paragraph 3.1.

10. WHAT HAPPENS NEXT:

- 10.1 Subject to Local Committee approval Phase 1 of the improvements to the traffic signals at the junction of the A240 Reigate Road with Great Tattenhams and Tattenham Way are implemented in 2021/22.

- 10.2 Subject to Local Committee approval the two sections of footway on the A240 Reigate Road be widened into the verge as part of the construction of the shared footway/cycleway during 2021/22.
- 10.3 Subject to Local Committee approval additional funding will be sought to enable Phase 2 of the improvements to the traffic signals at the junction of the A240 Reigate Road with Great Tattenhams and Tattenham Way to be carried out in future.

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Consulted:

Not applicable

Annexes:

Annex 1 – Location plan detailing the proposals at the signalised junction of the A240 Reigate Road with Great Tattenhams and Tattenham Way

Annex 2 – Location plan detailing the additional footway widening works on the A240 Reigate Road

Sources/background papers:

- Report to Reigate & Banstead Local Committee
A240 Reigate Road, Burgh Heath Shared Pedestrian Cycle Path
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