

## **NON-KEY DECISION TAKEN BY A CABINET MEMBER UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY**

**1. Title of report and reason for exemption (if any)**

Proposed bus route extension in Victoria Road – Statutory Consultation

**2. Decision maker**

Councillor Andrew Judge, Cabinet Member for **Environmental Sustainability and Regeneration**

**3. Date of Decision**

6<sup>th</sup> January 2014

**4. Date report made available to decision maker**

6 January 2014

**5. Date report made available to the Chairs of the Overview and Scrutiny Commission and of any relevant scrutiny panel**

N/A


**6. Decision**

I, Councillor Andrew Judge, the Cabinet Member for Environmental Sustainability and Regeneration:

- A) Have noted the result of the statutory consultation carried out between 14<sup>th</sup> November and 6<sup>th</sup> December 2013, on measures required to accommodate the proposed bus route on Victoria Road as set out on plan attached within the report.
- B) Have noted and considered representations (detailed in Appendix 2 of the report) received in respect of the proposals as shown in Appendix 1 of the report.
- C) Have considered the objections against the proposed measures and overrule the objections for reasons provided below in section 7 of this decision sheet and in line with officer's comments within section 3 of the report and within Appendix 2.
- D) Agree to proceed with the making of the relevant Traffic Management Orders (TMOs) for the implementation of the following proposed measures as also detailed on plan in Appendix 1:-
  - 1. Introduction of "no waiting at any time" parking restrictions at key locations.
  - 2. Existing speed humps to be constructed to the standard 75mm height
  - 3. Construction of a speed table.
- E) Agree not to hold a public inquiry on the consultation process.

**7. Reason for decision**

The measures are necessary to facilitate the introduction of a new bus route and will have the added advantage of reducing traffic conflicts that already exist at the present time. Parking capacity for residents is an important consideration and I note the objections that relate to this issue. However, the introduction of a bus route into the heart of Lavender Fields will be of real advantage to many residents. I have taken account of the response to consultation and the views of ward councillors.



**8. Alternative options considered and why rejected**

- 8.1 Do nothing. This would not provide the transport link that would benefit the local residents and meet the needs of those who rely on public transport.
- 8.2 Not to introduce the double yellow lines. This, however, would mean that buses and other vehicles would not be able to pass leading to access being impeded for all motorists.

**9. Documents relied on in addition to officer report**

**10. Declarations of Interest**

**11. Publication of this decision and call in provision**

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