

**READING BOROUGH COUNCIL  
REPORT BY DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENT AND NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES**

<b>TO:</b>	<b>TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT SUB-COMMITTEE</b>		
<b>DATE:</b>	<b>14 SEPTEMBER 2016</b>	<b>AGENDA ITEM:</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>TITLE:</b>	<b>RAISED TABLE JUNCTION AT THE ENTRANCE TO THE WELLS HALL DEVELOPMENT, UPPER REDLANDS ROAD</b>		
<b>LEAD COUNCILLOR:</b>	<b>TONY PAGE</b>	<b>PORTFOLIO:</b>	<b>STRATEGIC ENVIRONMENT, PLANNING AND TRANSPORT</b>
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**1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

- 1.1 To report to the Sub-Committee a review of the access arrangements proposed for the Wells Hall development which proposes a raised table junction at the Junction of Upper Redlands Road / New Road / site access road.
- 1.2 This report seeks approval to carry out a Statutory Consultation on the introduction of the raised table junction.
- 1.3 Appendix 1 - Proposed design and location plan

**2. RECOMMENDED ACTION**

- 2.1 That the Sub-committee note the contents of this report.
- 2.2 That in consultation with the Chair of the Sub-Committee, the Lead Councillor for Strategic Environment, Planning and Transport and Ward Councillors, the Head of Legal and Democratic Services be authorised to carry out a statutory consultation and advertise the proposed raised table at the junction of Upper Redlands Road / New Road / site access road shown in Appendix 1 in accordance with the Local Authorities Traffic Orders (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulations 1996.

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| <p>2.3 That subject to no objections received, the Head of Legal and Democratic Services be authorised to make the Traffic Regulation Order.</p> <p>2.4 That any objections received following the statutory consultation be reported to a future meeting of the Sub-Committee.</p> |
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### 3. POLICY CONTEXT

- 3.1 The proposals are in line with current Transport and Planning Policy.
- 3.2 Under the 1988 Road Traffic Act, the Highway Authority has a duty to take steps to both reduce and prevent collisions on the road network. In addition under the Traffic Management Act 2004 the authority has a duty to maintain and manage the road network and secure the safe and expeditious movement of traffic. (Traffic is defined to include pedestrians). It is therefore imperative that the authority continues to strive to reduce road casualties to ensure the network is safe for all users.

### 4. THE PROPOSAL

- 4.1 On 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2013 Planning Applications Committee permitted the Outline application (access only) for the demolition of all existing buildings, halls of residence and associated buildings and the redevelopment of the site to provide 34 dwellings, open space, landscaping, accesses to Upper Redlands Road and all associated works. Application reference 121820.
- 4.2 The reserved matters planning application has since been permitted (application reference 140428) and works are currently commencing on site.
- 4.3 The main access for the development will be from a new access road located directly opposite New Road. A crossroads will be created and a raised table installed on Upper Redlands Road to reduce vehicle speeds.
- 4.4 The design of the junction and the creation of the crossroads are all in accordance with the criteria within the Department for Transport Document, The Manual for Streets, 2007, which is the national design guide for Residential / Urban Roads.

### 6. CONTRIBUTION TO STRATEGIC AIMS

- 6.1 The delivery of road safety and casualty reduction schemes help to deliver the following Corporate Plan Service Priorities:
- Keeping the town clean, safe, green and active.
  - Providing infrastructure to support the economy

- Remaining financially sustainable to deliver these service priorities.

## **6. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND INFORMATION**

- 6.1 Statutory Consultation will be carried out in accordance with the Local Authorities Traffic Orders (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulations 1996.

## **7. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 7.1 Any resultant traffic regulation order will be made under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.

## **8. EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT**

- 8.1 In addition to the Human Rights Act 1998 the Council is required to comply with the Equalities Act 2010. Section 149 of the Equalities Act 2010 requires the Council to have due regard to the need to:-

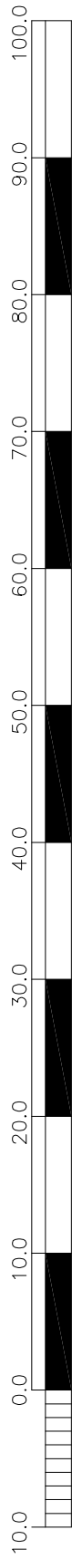
- eliminate discrimination, harassment, victimisation and any other conduct that is prohibited by or under this Act;
- advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it;
- foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it.

## **9. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

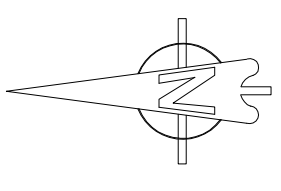
- 9.1 The raised table junction is to be constructed by the developer as part of their agreed planning permission and the design has been agreed as part of their S278 / 38 Agreement for Highway Works. Funding for the legal order has been paid by the developer through the S278 / 38 Agreement process.


## **10. BACKGROUND PAPERS**


- 10.1 None.



Scale = 1 : 500



Proposed Highway Works Area 

Land to be Dedicated to Highway 

**FOR APPROVAL**

REV. No.	DATE	DESCRIPTION	INITIALS
A	26.01.15	Highway works area amended following RBC comments.	LJW
Client		MJA CONSULTING CIVIL AND STRUCTURAL ENGINEERS Monarch House, Barton Lane, Abingdon, Oxon, OX14 3NB Tel: 01235 555173 Fax: 01235 523226	
Project Wells Road, Reading		MJA	
Title		Persimmon Homes (Thames Valley)	
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Section 278 Land Dedication Plan			