



Notice of Non-key Executive Decision

Subject Heading:	ROMFORD LEISURE CENTRE COACH/ VEHICLE DROP-OFF FACILITY Statutory advertisement of proposals
Cabinet Member:	Cllr. Osman Dervish Environment & Community Safety
SLT Lead:	Dipti Patel Assistant Director for Environment
Report Author and contact details:	Mark Philpotts Principal Engineer Street Management mark.philpotts@havering.gov.uk
Policy context:	Havering Local Development Framework (2008) Havering Local Implementation Plan 2017/18 Delivery Plan.
Financial summary:	The estimated cost of £0.004m for the works will met by the Council's capital budget for the Romford Leisure Centre (A1544).
Relevant OSC:	Environment
Is this decision exempt from being called-in?	No

The subject matter of this report deals with the following Council Objectives

Communities making Havering	[X]
Places making Havering	[X]
Opportunities making Havering	[]
Connections making Havering	[X]

Part A – Report seeking decision

DETAIL OF THE DECISION REQUESTED AND RECOMMENDED ACTION

This Executive Decision approves the statutory advertisement and public consultation of a proposal to introduce a coach/ vehicle drop-off facility in Grimshaw Way to serve the Romford Leisure Centre.

AUTHORITY UNDER WHICH DECISION IS MADE

Council's Constitution

Part 3, Section 3.8.3, paragraph (r)

To approve local highway management schemes in principle for public consultation.

STATEMENT OF THE REASONS FOR THE DECISION

The development of the Romford Leisure Centre on Western Road requires the provision of a coach/ vehicle drop-off facility as set out in Condition 21 (planning reference P1492.12);

The coach/ vehicle drop-off facility shall be provided and available for use, in accordance with details which shall previously be submitted to and approved in writing by the local Planning Authority before the building is occupied. The approved facility provided shall be retained permanently thereafter and shall not be used for any other purpose.

In order to take this matter forward, a traffic management order is required to enable the Council to enforce a drop-off facility. This will need to be formally advertised and any written objections received referred to the Highways Advisory Committee for consideration and then a recommendation made to the Cabinet Member for Environment & Community Safety.

Drawing QQ063-101 provides a general arrangement.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED

The alternative option of doing nothing is not considered appropriate given the requirements of the planning consent and associated Condition 21.

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PRE-DECISION CONSULTATION

None.

NAME AND JOB TITLE OF STAFF MEMBER ADVISING THE DECISION-MAKER

Name: Mark Philpotts

Designation: Principal Engineer

Signature: 

Date: 30th November 2017

Part B - Assessment of implications and risks

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS

The Council's power to make an order regulating or controlling vehicular traffic on roads is set out in section 6 of Part I of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 ("RTRA 1984"). Schedule 1 of the RTRA 1984 lists those matters as to which orders can be made under section 6. These include:

'Places in streets where vehicles, or vehicles of any class, may, or may not, wait, either generally or at particular times.'

The provision of a drop-off bay is compliant with the Council's powers under the RTRA 1984.

Before an Order is made, the Council should ensure that the statutory procedures set out in the Local Authorities Traffic Orders (Procedure)(England & Wales) Regulations 1996 (SI 1996/2489) are complied with. The Traffic Signs Regulations & General Directions 2016 govern road traffic signs and road markings.

Section 122 RTRA 1984 imposes a general duty on local authorities when exercising functions under the RTRA. It provides, insofar as is material, to secure the expeditious, convenient and safe movement of vehicular and other traffic (including pedestrians) and the provision of suitable and adequate parking facilities on and off the highway. This statutory duty must be balanced with any concerns received over the implementation of the proposals.

In considering any responses received during consultation, the Council must ensure that full consideration of all representations is given including those which do not accord with the officers' recommendation. The Council must be satisfied that any objections to the proposals were taken into account.

In considering any consultation responses, the Council must balance the concerns of any objectors with the statutory duty under section 122 RTRA 1984.

The Council is satisfied that the proposed works will be of benefit to the public in terms of enabling coach and other vehicle drop-offs at the Romford Leisure Centre; and the works are compliant with the Council's powers under the RTRA 1984.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS

The estimated cost of £0.004m for the advertisement of the proposals and the subsequent implementation of the scheme (if ultimately approved) will be met by the Council's capital budget for the Romford Leisure Centre (A1544).

The costs shown are an estimate of the full costs of the scheme, should all proposals be implemented. It should be noted that subject to the recommendations of the committee a final decision then would be made by the Lead Member – as regards

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actual implementation and scheme detail. Therefore, final costs are subject to change.

This is a standard project for Environment and there is no expectation that the works cannot be contained within the cost estimate. There is an element of contingency built into the financial estimate. In the unlikely event of an overspend, the balance would need to be contained within the overall Asset Management Capital budget.

**HUMAN RESOURCES IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS
(AND ACCOMMODATION IMPLICATIONS WHERE RELEVANT)**

None arising from this decision.

EQUALITIES AND SOCIAL INCLUSION IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS

The Council has a general duty under the Equality Act 2010 to ensure that its highway network is accessible to all users. Where infrastructure is provided or substantially upgraded, reasonable adjustments should be made to improve access. In considering the impacts and making improvements for people with protected characteristics (mainly, but not limited to disabled people, the young and older people), this will assist the Council in meeting its duty under the Act.

Short term dropping off bays do not allow parking by blue-badge holders, but are sometimes necessary in order provide dropping off space to serve community facilities. In the case of the Romford Leisure Centre, specific parking for blue badge holders is provided within the site (Condition 19 of the planning consent).

BACKGROUND PAPERS

None.

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Part C – Record of decision

I have made this executive decision in accordance with authority delegated to me by the Leader of the Council and in compliance with the requirements of the Constitution.

Decision

Proposal agreed.

Signed x 


Name: **Dipti Patel**

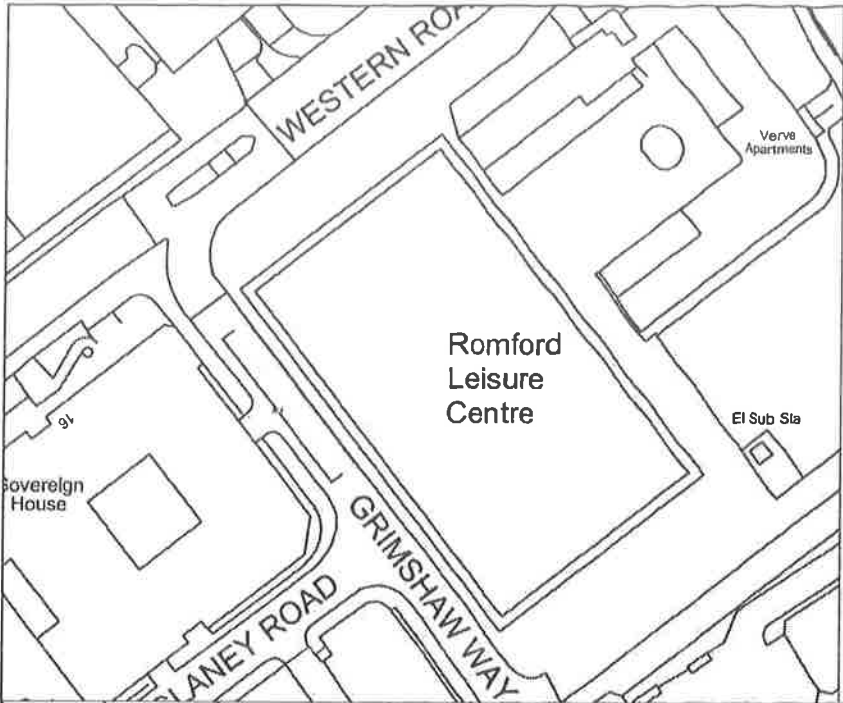
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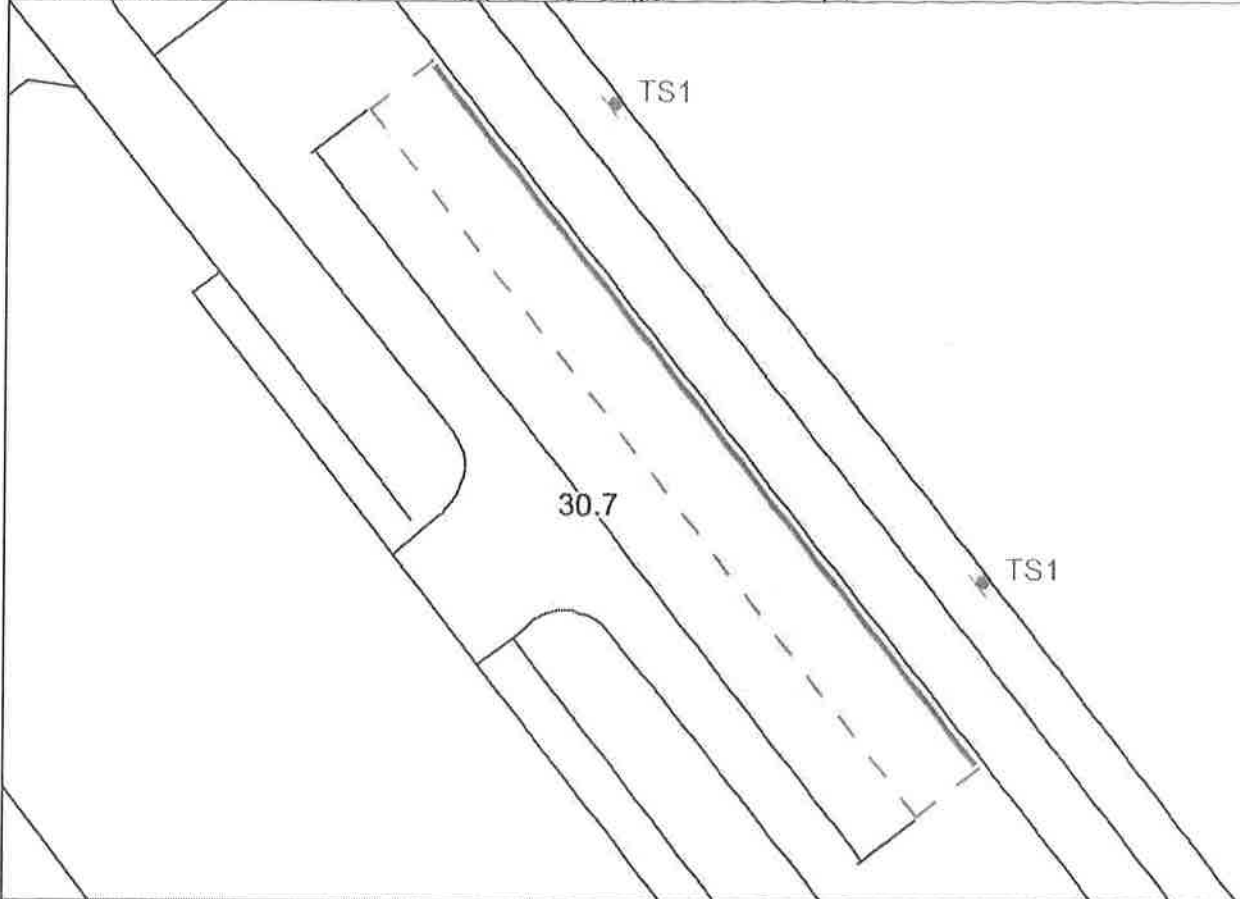
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<p>For use by Committee Administration</p> <p>This notice was lodged with me on <u>4/12/2017</u></p> <p>Signed <u></u></p>
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