



Notice of Non-key Executive Decision

Subject Heading:	Proposals for road markings to facilitate turning manoeuvres of vehicles at Chandlers Corner, Rainham.
Cabinet Member:	Cllr. Osman Dervish Environment
SLT Lead:	Dipti Patel Assistant Director for Environment
Report Author and contact details:	Musood Karim Engineer Street Management highways@havering.gov.uk
Policy context:	Havering Local Development Framework (2008) Havering Local Implementation Plan 2018/19 Delivery Plan.
Financial summary:	The estimated cost of implementing the measures is £0.005m which will be met by Transport for London through their Local Implementation Plan bid allocated for 2018/19 (A2950).
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

That having considered the information contained in this report, The Assistant Director for environment authorises the implementation of minor highway works to place road markings to improve turning manoeuvres at the junction of Chandlers Way, Rainham.

The proposals are shown on drawing No. QR022_19_OF_101_GA, which is attached in appendix 1 of this report.

AUTHORITY UNDER WHICH DECISION IS MADE

Council's Constitution

Assistant Director, Environment; Part 3, Section 3.8.3,

Paragraphs (b);

Other than in those matters delegated to the Lead Member following consideration by the Highways Advisory Committee, to exercise all powers and duties in respect of maintaining and improving highways, providing facilities, and interference with highways arising under Parts IV, V, VII, IX and XIV of the Highways Act 1980.

and

Paragraph (dd)

To determine the provision, positioning and layout of road signs and other street furniture.

STATEMENT OF THE REASONS FOR THE DECISION

Background

When turning right at a signalised junction, particularly where traffic exits simultaneously from the opposite direction, it is important to wait safely and move forward when there is a suitable gap in traffic proceeding on the opposite side of the road.

In the case of Chandlers Corner in Rainham, right turning traffic exiting from Upminster Road North and Upminster Road South and both arms of New Road (A1306) is held back as there are no road markings to guide drivers a safe spot to stop. This adversely affects the traffic flow, highway safety and increases congestion at the junction.

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Reasons: To overcome the problem, it is proposed to install road markings ie 'Port to Port' road markings at the junction of Chandlers Corner in Rainham. The purpose is to improve the turning manoeuvres by means of guidance road markings. These markings are 'site specific' ie are only installed at junctions where there is a special need identified. The proposals are shown on drawing No. QR022_19_OF_101_GA.

The proposals are aimed at keeping the junction clear which will reduce congestion and increase traffic flow.

It is the responsibility of the borough to reduce potential accidents, subject to availability of funds, wherever these are identified in the borough. As a result, Transport for London had approved special funding of £10k with a view to improve safety at the junction.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED

The 'Do Nothing' option was considered but this was abandoned due to the current problem at the junction which cannot be ignored on road safety grounds.

PRE-DECISION CONSULTATION

The original request was highlighted by a councillor of Rainham and Wennington ward.

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

Name: Musood Karim

Designation: Engineer

Signature: x



Date: 23rd October 2018

Part B - Assessment of implications and risks

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS

The Council has powers to install traffic signs on its road network by virtue of powers granted under Part V of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, with S65 granting powers and giving duties for the placing of traffic signs.

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The form and conditions under which traffic signs may be installed are prescribed by the Traffic Signs Regulations & General Directions 2016 and road markings that indicate stopping controls are prescribed traffic signs for this purpose.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS

The estimated cost of implementing the proposals is £0.005m which will be met by Transport for London through their Local Implementation Plan bid allocated for 2018/19 (A2950). Details of the estimated costs are shown below:

Description of works	Amount (£)
Topographical survey	2250
Installation & traffic management costs	1500
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Sub-total	3750
Other costs	
Add 10% contingency	375
Add 15% supervision costs	620
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Total	4745

This is a standard project for Street Management 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 Environment 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.

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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**

Designation: Assistant Director for Environment

Date: x

Lodging this notice

The signed decision notice must be delivered to the proper officer, Andrew Beesley, Committee Administration & Interim Member Support Manager in the Town Hall.

For use by Committee Administration

This notice was lodged with me on 19/11/2018

Signed 

Appendix1

Chandlers Corner, Rainham

Drawing of proposals
