



HIGHWAYS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

REPORT

14 August 2012

Subject Heading:

JUNCTION ROAD – PROPOSED HUMPED
ZEBRA CROSSING (THE OUTCOME OF
PUBLIC CONSULTATION)

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

Clean, safe and green borough	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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SUMMARY

Junction Road – Humped zebra crossing was one of the schemes approved by Transport for London for funding. A feasibility study has recently been carried out to identify pedestrian facilities along Junction Road and humped zebra crossing is proposed. A public consultation has been carried out and this report details the finding of the feasibility study, public consultation results and recommends that the above proposal be approved.

This scheme is within **Romford Town** Ward.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the Committee having considered the representations made recommends to the Cabinet Member for Community Empowerment that humped zebra crossing along Junction Road by Western Road detailed in this report and shown on Drawing No: QL005/J/1 be implemented.
2. That, it be noted that the estimated cost of £20,000 can be met from the Transport for London's (TfL) 2012/13 financial year allocation to Havering for Accident Reduction Programme.

REPORT DETAIL

1.0 Background

- 1.1 In October 2011, Transport for London approved funding for a number of Accident Reduction Programmes as part of 2012/13 Havering Borough Spending Plan settlement. Junction Road Pedestrian facilities was one of the schemes approved by TfL. A feasibility study has been carried out to identify pedestrian facilities. The feasibility study has now been completed and has looked at ways of providing pedestrian facilities and it is considered that humped zebra crossing, as described in the recommendations will improve road safety and provide pedestrian facilities. In January 2012, Highways Advisory Committee approved this scheme in principle for public consultation.
- 1.2 The Government and Transport for London have set draft targets for 2020 to reduce Killed or Serious injury accidents (KSI) by 33%; Child KSIs by 50%; pedestrian and cyclist KSI's by 50% from the baseline of the average number of casualties for 2004-08. The Junction Road Accident Reduction Programme will help to meet these targets.

Proposals

- 1.3 It is proposed to provide humped zebra crossing along Junction Road shown on Drawing No: QL005/J/1. The proposal would provide pedestrian facility and improve road safety in the area.

2.0 Results of public consultations

- 2.1 Following Highways Advisory Committee approval for a public consultation in January 2012, letters, describing the proposals were delivered to local residents / occupiers. Emergency Services, bus companies and cycling representatives were also consulted on the proposals. Approximately, 200

letters were delivered by hand to the area affected by the proposals. Comments to the Principal Engineer by Friday 13th July 2012 were invited. Twelve written responses from Metropolitan Police, London Buses, Local Members and residents were received and the comments are summarised in the Appendix.

3.0 Staff comments and conclusions

- 3.1 The proposed humped zebra crossing would improve pedestrian facility and reduce vehicles speed in the area. Majority of respondents supported the scheme. It is therefore recommended that the proposed measures in the recommendation should be approved for implementation.

IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS

Financial implications and risks:

The estimated cost of the proposal is £20,000 which can be met from the Transport for London's (TfL) 2012/13 financial year allocation to Havering for Accident Reduction Programme.

Legal Implications and Risks

None of the proposals require a traffic order. They can all be implemented using the Council's highway management powers.

Human Resource Implications and Risks

None directly attributable to the proposals.

Equalities and Social Inclusion

There would be some visual impact from the humped zebra crossing, however the proposal would generally improve safety for both pedestrians and vehicles.

CHERYL COPPELL
Chief Executive

BACKGROUND PAPERS

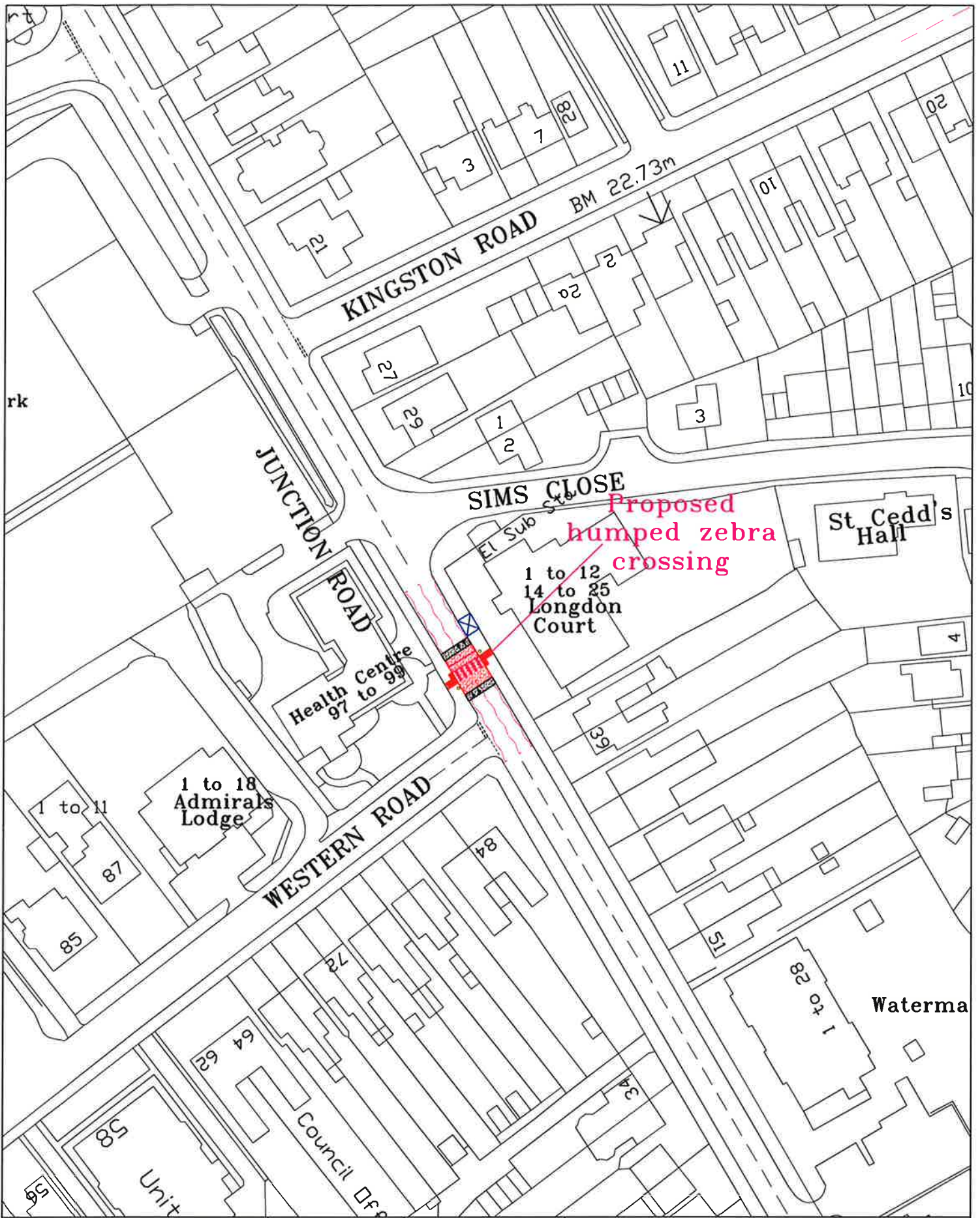
1. **Public consultation Letter.**
2. **Public consultation responses.**

**APPENDIX
SUMMARY OF RESPONSE**

RESPONSE REF:	COMMENTS	STAFF COMMENTS
QL005/J/1 (Metropolitan Police)	Have no issues with the plans as presented.	-
QL005/J/2 (London Buses)	London buses have no comments on this proposal.	-
QL005/J/3 (Local Member)	This is exactly the spot for it as most pedestrians are trying to reach the surgery. The humped crossing also will deter too high an approach speed to the junction with Western Road.	-
QL005/J/4 (Local Member)	Support the scheme.	-
QL005/J/5 (Local Member)	Happy with this proposal.	-
QL005/J/6 (17, Junction Road)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Would very much like to welcome this proposal as it will bring the vehicles speed down and increase the safety of pedestrians. - Request for another hump near Dolphin Way. 	<p>Staff confirmed the exact speed cushion location.</p> <p>Since large vehicles access this area , particularly Dolphin Approach, it is not advisable to provide the hump at this location.</p>
QL005/J/7 (34 Junction Road)	It is an excellent idea, long overdue, desperately needed and a very good use of public money.	-
QL005/J/8 (59/59A Junction Road)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Delighted that there is to be a humped zebra and I see the proposed site seems the most appropriate. - Request for speed table outside Watermans and Drop off place for Medical Centre. 	- Further measures including these requests could be considered at a later date if necessary.
QL005/J/9 (63 Junction Road)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Would be a great safety advantage on Junction Road in respect of drivers and pedestrians. - Request for parking 	- Parking restrictions are already in

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	enforcement by large lorries and vans in the area.	place. Parking team will be advised to carry out further enforcement in the area.
QL005/J/10	This is an excellent idea and probably should have been done years ago.	-
QL005/J/11	-Since I moved, the Council spoke about providing a safe mean of crossing Junction Road. It is more difficult and dangerous to cross the road. - Please now just get on with it.	-
QL005/J/12 (Petition with sixteen signatures)	Although long overdue, but very welcome, it is does not address the problem of traffic speeding between Western Road and Carlton Road.	A separate response sent to the resident. This scheme intended to provide pedestrian facilities along Junction Road. Further investigations could be carried out to identify speeding problems along Junction Road between Western Road and Carlton Road. Further measures could be considered at a later date if necessary.



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