From: David Brazier, Cabinet Member – Environment, Highways & Waste John Burr, Director - Highways & Transportation
To: Environment, Highways & Waste Cabinet Committee
Date: 10<sup>th</sup> July 2014
Subject: National Cycle Network Route 16, Dover

Classification: Unrestricted

### Summary:

For Members recommendation to take the highway improvement scheme through the next stages of development ready for implementation

## Introduction

The original report for this scheme came before Members of the JTB in December 2013. The Section 106 money was to be used to address a cycle connection from the bottom of Old Charlton Road to connect to the River Dour Greenway via a new footway/cycleway on the south side of Barton Road and using the quiet side road of Charlton Avenue.

Members resolved to support the scheme but wanted to pursue additional works using the Section 106 spend to address traffic speeds around the sharp bend on Barton Road.

#### What I now propose

The only possible solution that would be viable within the allocated spend would be as demonstrated on Drawing No. KCC-S106-BRD-001A which shows a small build out to the bottom of Connaught Road which would force drivers to slow before turning into Connaught Road, which due to a lack of deflection often does not happen currently. It should also be recognised that the carriageway of Barton Road on the approach to the bend will be physically narrowed by the widened footway, which in itself will help to reduce traffic speeds.

## Finance

All from Section 106 spend.

# Consultation

A public consultation exercise has been carried out, no adverse representations have been made at the time of writing this report but the consultation period finishes on the 9/7/14 so an update will be given on the evening of the JTB.

## Recommendations

That Members approve the scheme going forward as demonstrated on Drg. No. KCC-S106-BRD-001A

# **Background Documents**

Consultation Letter and Drwg. No. KCC-S106-BRD-001A

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Dear Sir / Madam,

## Public Consultation: Cycle Facility Improvements – Barton Road, Dover

Kent County Council (KCC) Highways and Transportation is in receipt of funding negotiated under Section 106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, from the developers of White Cliffs Business Park, to improve pedestrian and cycle facilities.

## Why do we want to carry out this work?

Improvements have already been made to Roman Road and cyclists are provided with a suitable route until the junction of Frith Road, Barton Road, Old Charlton Road, Connaught Road and Castle Avenue. There are no facilities for them to safely reach the existing River Dour Greenway having reached Barton Road.

## What does the proposed scheme involve?

The scheme (as shown on drawing number A2/KHS/S106/TRE/102) involves:-

The proposal is to route cyclists to turn right on leaving Old Charlton Road on the wide area of footway fronting St Edmunds School to the existing pedestrian crossing over Barton Road. The crossing would need to be upgraded to a toucan to accommodate cyclists. The footway on the south side of Barton Road would be widened to a minimum 3m to allow a segregated footway/cycleway to the junction of Charlton Avenue. The widened footway would result in the loss of four trees along Barton Road. Cyclists would then de directed down Charlton Avenue to connect with the River Dour Cycle route at the bottom.

The junction of Barton Road/Connaught Hill will be amended to reduce the speed of vehicles entering Connaught Hill.

The carriageway will also be narrowed as Barton Road turns right into Frith Road to create a visual reduction to control traffic speeds around the bend.



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## What is the purpose of this consultation?

This information is being provided to raise awareness of the proposed traffic scheme. KCC would like to hear from you should you wish to support the proposals or if you have any related concerns or points that are appropriate to be considered as part of the scheme progression. If you have any comments please email <u>thanet.highwayconsultations@kent.gov.uk</u> quoting Barton Road in the email title or call 03000 41 81 81 by Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July to register your views. The attached plan can also be viewed online by using the following web address: <u>http://consultations.kent.gov.uk/consult.ti</u>

## What will happen next?

Subject to the results of this consultation exercise, the scheme will be progressed to its detailed design stage, taking into consideration the feedback received.

Yours faithfully,

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