Delegated Decision

15 January 2019

Introduction of shared-use to existing footway – Kilburn Drive, Horden

Ordinary Decision



Report of Regeneration and Local Services

Adrian White, Head of Transport

Electoral division(s) affected:

Horden.

Purpose of the Report

To identify and formally approve the conversion of an existing pedestrian footway to shared-use to also allow use by pedal cycles.

Executive summary

- 2 Extension of shared-use facility for the length of Kilburn Drive in Horden
- This will improve the existing footway to allow use by both pedestrians and cyclists.

Recommendation

To note and agree to the alterations highlighted in this report and its associated appendices in accordance with the Highways Act 1980 Section 65(1) and 66(4).

Background

- In order to provide a safer environment for cyclists and promote cycling to users of all abilities, the introduction of 'shared use' to footways on key routes has been identified.
- To introduce this, an existing footway will, where permitted, be widened up to 3m to provide a suitable width for cyclists and pedestrians to pass each other.
- This provision extends along the eastern side of Kilburn Drive from the A1086/B1283 roundabout to the junction with Blackhills Road, widening the path, relocation of street lighting columns and other associated improvements.
- The improved section of path is approximately 860m in length and links with an existing shared-use route heading north along the A1086. It also incorporates and upgrades and existing stretch of shared-use path adjacent to the Kilburn Drive/Blackhills Road junction.

Main implications

9 Introduction of bicycles onto a current footway route in conjunction with necessary mitigation measures.

Conclusion

10 It is recommended that this route is designated as shared-use

Appendix 1: Implications

Legal Implications

Cycling will be permitted on path

Finance

Costs of widening the existing surface, street lighting and associated improvements (approx. £150,000)

Consultation

Portfolio Holder and Local Councillors

Equality and Diversity / Public Sector Equality Duty

None

Human Rights

None

Crime and Disorder

Potential of cyclists/pedestrians not being respectful to other users

Staffing

None

Accommodation

None

Risk

Potential conflicts between pedestrians and cyclists – mitigated by increase width and signage

Procurement

None

Appendix 2: Plan of route

