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DELEGATED DECISION

Regeneration and Local Services
Transport and Contract Services

Monday 16th October 2017

Agreement to accept dedication of land off the B6291 at the west bound approach to Thinford roundabout for Highway maintainable at the public expense.



Report of Adrian White : Head of Transport and Contracted Services

Purpose of the Report

- 1 To record the decision to accept dedication of land to be adopted and maintained as highway at the public's expense to allow widening of the west bound approach lane to Thinford roundabout and permit access to development land to the north east of the roundabout.

Background

- 2 Capacity constraints, queuing and delay at Thinford roundabout west bound approach can be addressed by widening of entry lanes. This will allow improved capacity which in turn will facilitate increase in travel demand generated from development land to the north east of the junction.
- 3 A scheme to introduce a new access which includes a priority junction and Ghost Island protected right turn from the B6291 has been designed. To permit this scheme to be implemented land outside the public highway as outlined in red on drawing ARC-17-322 (14/09/2017) is required to be dedicated as public highway.
- 4 The dedicated land amounts to 603.241m² (0.149 acres or thereabouts) and will permit access to development land to the north east of Thinford roundabout.
- 5 The land will be dedicated pursuant to Section 38 of the Highways Act 1980 by No Ordinary Estates Limited, The Paddock, Kirk Merrington, Spennymoor, England, DL16 7JT. The sub soil will remain in the ownership of No Ordinary Estates.

Details of any alternative options considered and rejected when making the decision

- 6 There are no alternative options to improving west bound capacity of the B6291 other than considering a Compulsory Purchase of land currently occupied on the south east side of the junction.

Recommendations and reasons

- 7 It is recommended that the land identified on drawing ARC-17-322 is accepted as highway maintainable at the public expense. This will permit improvements at the Thinford Roundabout and access to development land.

Decision

- 6 Accept the dedication and enter the land on the Council's adopted highway plans.

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