

Amendments North Reading - Nov 23

Line No.	Ward	Type of Request / Proposal	Street	Location	Details	Officer Comments
3	Caversham Heights	Traffic calming, pedestrian crossing and footway improvements	Kidmore Road	Between its junctions with Highmoor Road and Shepherds Lane, sitting alongside separate request for the section south of Highmoor Road.	Request to install traffic calming features along this road and to make improvements to the footway to prevent pedestrians from having to walk in the road or cross. A crossing (formal or informal) would also be beneficial close to the Richmond Road junction. These would improve access and safety for pedestrians, including school children who walk through the area. Amendment (November 2023): This entry has been extended from Richmond Road to Highmoor Road and, alongside a separate entry for the section south of Highmoor Road, is intended to capture the local desire for speed calming treatment along the entire length of the street.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Comment: A detailed investigation will be required to determine the scope of the footway work and feasibility of a crossing at the requested location. Traffic calming in a 30mph area would also require costly illuminated signs, so 20mph could be a consideration.</li> <li>• Casualty Data: 2 slight accidents reported in the latest 3 year period (up to 30th April 2023). Both near the Oakley Road junction. Speed was considered a contributing factor for both of these incidents.</li> <li>• Anticipated Costs: A detailed investigation would be required before costs can be estimated.</li> <li>• Officer recommendation: Retain with amendments</li> </ul>
6	Multiple: Caversham Heights / Emmer Green	Pedestrian Crossing and Traffic Calming measures	Rotherfield Way	Pedestrian crossing - South- west of its junction with Surley Row Traffic calming - entire length	A petition to install 'safe crossing places' on Rotherfield Way was reported to Jan 2016 TMSC. An update report went to March 2016 TMSC. A further update report (with an outline zebra crossing design) was reported to June 2016 TMSC. Amendment (November 2023): TMSC agreed in March 2023 that this request be amended to include traffic calming following a new petition that was received. The petition highlighted resident's concerns about speeding in the area, alongside a desire for traffic calming features and a pedestrian crossing near Surley Row.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Comment: A concept scheme is awaiting funding to enable it to progress to detailed design and implementation for a zebra crossing. Ground investigation works will determine the deliverability of the crossing. A number of different traffic calming features can be explored, however, if the speed limit is 30mph, then costly illuminated signs will also need to be installed if features such as humps are installed on the road. 20mph could be a consideration.</li> <li>• Casualty Data: No incidents recorded in the latest 3 year period of data (up to 30th April 2023).</li> <li>• Anticipated Costs: A high level estimate would be £80,000 for a zebra crossing. The cost of traffic calming features will vary greatly depending on whether or not the road remains 30mph, and what type of features are installed.</li> <li>• Officer recommendation: Retain with amendments</li> </ul>