

TONBRIDGE & MALLING BOROUGH COUNCIL

JOINT TRANSPORTATION BOARD

19 September 2011

Report of the Director of Planning, Transport and Leisure

Part 1- Public

Matter for Recommendation to Borough Cabinet - Non-Key Decision (Decision may be taken by the Cabinet Member)

1 PEDESTRIAN GUARD RAILING

Summary

This is an update on the report to the March meeting of the Board and it provides information on the position adopted at the recent Borough Council's Planning and Transportation Advisory Board meeting.

1.1 Introduction

1.1.1 At the March meeting, the Board received a detailed presentation on the pedestrian guard rail assessment report prepared by Jacobs. It resolved as follows:-

- *That consideration of this matter be held in abeyance until the Borough Council has reconsidered the issue at a future meeting of the Planning and Transportation Advisory Board.*

1.1.2 The Planning and Transportation Advisory Board (PTAB) duly reconsidered the matter at its meeting on 27 July and it resolved as follows:-

- 1) *The recommendations, set out in Annex 3 of the report, be adopted as the Borough Council's formal response to the County Council's pedestrian guard rail removal project, subject to the further views of the Advisory Board as follows:-*

the retention of all panels at Site 2 (Railway Approach/Priory Road/Waterloo Road); and- the retention of 3 panels at Site 12 (Hildenborough on Tonbridge Road at the junction of Coldharbour Lane); and

- 2) *this be conveyed to the County Council through the Joint Transportation Board.*

1.2 The Adopted Borough Position

1.2.1 This paper gives effect to the decision of the PTAB and the full details of what has been agreed are set out in **Annex 1**. The Board is invited to lend the adopted position further weight by registering its endorsement for the contents of Annex 1.

1.3 Legal Implications

1.3.1 None.

1.4 Financial and Value for Money Considerations

1.4.1 There are none directly at this time because any intervention arising from the recommendation will be prompted by necessary action to deal with repairs when damage has occurred.

1.5 Risk Assessment

1.5.1 As detailed in the Jacobs report.

1.6 Equality Impact Assessment

1.6.1 See 'Screening for equality impacts' table at end of report

1.7 Recommendations

1.7.1 That the adopted position on pedestrian guard rail set out in Annex 1 **BE ENDORSED**.

The Director of Planning, Transport and Leisure confirms that the proposals contained in the recommendation(s), if approved, will fall within the Council's Budget and Policy Framework.

Background papers:

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Nil

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Director of Planning, Transport & Leisure

Screening for equality impacts:		
Question	Answer	Explanation of impacts
a. Does the decision being made or recommended through this paper have potential to cause adverse impact or discriminate against different groups in the community?	No	

Screening for equality impacts:		
Question	Answer	Explanation of impacts
b. Does the decision being made or recommended through this paper make a positive contribution to promoting equality?	N/A	
c. What steps are you taking to mitigate, reduce, avoid or minimise the impacts identified above?		

In submitting this report, the Chief Officer doing so is confirming that they have given due regard to the equality impacts of the decision being considered, as noted in the table above.