

# EXECUTIVE DECISION

made by a Cabinet Member



## REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY BY AN INDIVIDUAL CABINET MEMBER

Executive Decision Reference Number – SPT17 25/26

Decision	
1	<b>Title of decision:</b> 2137351 Kings Road – Pedestrian crossings, road humps and tree removal
2	<b>Decision maker:</b> Councillor John Stephens (Cabinet Member for Strategic Planning and Transport)
3	<b>Report author and contact details:</b> Mike Jones (Senior Traffic Engineer) E. <a href="mailto:trafficmanagementinbox@plymouth.gov.uk">trafficmanagementinbox@plymouth.gov.uk</a>
4	<p><b>Decision to be taken:</b></p> <p>I. To install 2 Humped Zebra Crossings and an additional 7 Road Humps along Kings Road.</p> <p>Following consultation, it is proposed that the crossing nearest to the college be relocated further north to align with the position of the proposed pedestrian access into Foulston Park. This adjustment means that no trees will need to be removed to deliver the scheme in this area.</p> <p>The other crossing near Stonehouse Bridge will proceed as originally planned. An additional review into lighting requirements at the crossing has resulted in a revised proposal which removes the need for felling of the London Plane Tree, as advertised. The lighting requirement can be achieved by sensitive maintenance of the tree which could then be sustainably continued.</p> <p>The Road Humps to be constructed as advertised, subject to modification at the northern pedestrian crossing as they are the best design solution to achieve the scheme benefits.</p>
5	<p><b>Reasons for decision:</b></p> <p>This proposal is designed to make safer journeys for everyone to and from Foulston Park and its fantastic new facilities.</p> <p>Two humped zebra crossings are being proposed for King's Road.</p> <p>A series of speed humps is also being proposed along this road, which has seen several traffic accidents over the last five years, including two fatal and three serious collisions.</p> <p>The crossings are part of the agreed planning conditions for Foulston Park – a multi-million pound investment into sporting excellence and community wellbeing, delivered through a partnership of Plymouth Argyle, Argyle Community Trust, Plymouth City Council, Plymouth Albion RFC and Devonport Community Leisure Limited (DCLL).</p>

6	<p>Alternative options considered:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Do Nothing: Rejected because there is a need to increase the safety for both pedestrians and road users in this location.</li> <li>2. To install the crossing point near the college slightly further south, meaning three trees would need to be removed – this has been rejected following consultation and redesign, please see briefing paper.</li> </ol>																				
7	<p><b>Financial implications and risks:</b></p> <p>The costs of the scheme are being funded by the development with the exception of 4 of the road humps which will be funded by Plymouth Highways as a casualty reduction intervention from its Casualty Reduction Budget. Costs are thought to be between £30-40,000 but an allocation of up to £50,000 is available.</p>																				
8	<p><b>Legal Implications:</b> The proposals have been prepared and consulted upon in accordance with the statutory requirements. All necessary consultation and advertisement processes have been completed, including re- advertisement to ensure compliance with the DEFRA Guidance. All other legislative requirements as set out in section 122 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended) have also been considered.</p>																				
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10	<p><b>Please specify how this decision is linked to the Council's corporate plan/Plymouth Plan and/or the policy framework and/or the revenue/capital budget:</b></p> <p>The Local Transport Plan (LTP) details the transport strategies and policies that the City Council has adopted and will be key in helping the city meet its Corporate Plan priorities, and growth agenda.</p> <p>The project links to the Corporate Plan Priorities of keeping children, adults and communities safe.</p>																				

<b>I 1</b>	<b>Please specify any direct environmental implications of the decision (carbon impact)</b>	The planting of 5 individual trees on the verge on the western side of Kings Road will have a positive environmental impact.		
<b>Urgent decisions</b>				
<b>I 2a</b>	<b>Is the decision urgent and to be implemented immediately in the interests of the Council or the public?</b>	<b>Yes</b>		(If yes, please contact Democratic Support ( <a href="mailto:democraticsupport@plymouth.gov.uk">democraticsupport@plymouth.gov.uk</a> ) for advice)
		<b>No</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>(If no, go to section I 3a)</b>
<b>I 2b</b>	<b>Reason for urgency:</b>			
<b>I 2c</b>	<b>Scrutiny Chair Signature:</b>		<b>Date</b>	
	<b>Scrutiny Committee name:</b>			
	<b>Print Name:</b>			
<b>Consultation</b>				
<b>I 3a</b>	<b>Are any other Cabinet members' portfolios affected by the decision?</b>	<b>Yes</b>		
		<b>No</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>(If no go to section I 4)</b>
<b>I 3b</b>	<b>Which other Cabinet member's portfolio is affected by the decision?</b>	N/A		
<b>I 3c</b>	<b>Date Cabinet member consulted</b>	N/A		
<b>I 4</b>	<b>Has any Cabinet member declared a conflict of interest in relation to the decision?</b>	<b>Yes</b>		If yes, please discuss with the Monitoring Officer
		<b>No</b>	<b>X</b>	
<b>I 5</b>	<b>Which Corporate Management Team member has been consulted?</b>	<b>Name</b>	Glenn Caplin-Grey	
		<b>Job title</b>	Strategic Director for Growth	
		<b>Date consulted</b>	04/02/2026	
<b>Sign-off</b>				
<b>I 6</b>		<b>Democratic Support (mandatory)</b>	JS80 25/26	

<b>Sign off codes from the relevant departments consulted:</b>	<b>Finance (mandatory)</b>	DN.25.26.014
	<b>Legal (mandatory)</b>	LS/2960(76)/JP/130226
	<b>Procurement (if applicable)</b>	N/A
	<b>Corporate property (decisions involving Council owned land or facilities) (if applicable)</b>	N/A
	<b>Human Resources (if applicable)</b>	N/A

### Appendices

<b>I7</b>	<b>Ref.</b>	<b>Title of appendix</b>
	A	Briefing report for publication
	B	Equalities Impact Assessment
	C	Kings Road Overall Traffic Calming Plan
	D	Kings Road Zebra Crossing – Sheet 1
	E	Kings Road Zebra Crossing – Sheet 2
	F	Kings Rd_AIA-AMS Tree Report_150825
	G	Kings Road Tree Removal and Mitigation Proposals
	H	Kings Road Zebra Crossing - North - Original Proposal
	I	Kings Road Zebra Crossing - South-Original Proposal
	J	Original Traffic Calming Consultation Plan
	K	Kings Road 5 Yr Collision Plot
	L	Pedestrian Route to Foulston Park from City College
	M	Road Safety Audit - RSA12 Designers Exception Response - RevA

### Confidential/exempt information

<b>I8a</b>	<b>Do you need to include any confidential/exempt information?</b>	<b>Yes</b>		If yes, prepare a second, confidential ('Part II') briefing report and indicate why it is not for publication by virtue of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 by ticking the relevant box in <b>I8b</b> below.  (Keep as much information as possible in the briefing report that will be in the public domain)
		<b>No</b>	<b>X</b>	

**Exemption Paragraph Number**

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<b>18b</b>	<b>Confidential/exempt briefing report title:</b>							
<b>Background Papers</b>								
<b>19</b>	<p>Please list all unpublished, background papers relevant to the decision in the table below.</p> <p>Background papers are <u>unpublished</u> works, relied on to a material extent in preparing the report, which disclose facts or matters on which the report or an important part of the work is based. If some/all of the information is confidential, you must indicate why it is not for publication by virtue of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 by ticking the relevant box.</p>							
Title of background paper(s)		Exemption Paragraph Number						
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<b>Cabinet Member Signature</b>								
<b>20</b>	<p>I agree the decision and confirm that it is not contrary to the Council's policy and budget framework, Corporate Plan or Budget. In taking this decision I have given due regard to the Council's duty to promote equality of opportunity, eliminate unlawful discrimination and promote good relations between people who share protected characteristics under the Equalities Act (2010) and those who do not. For further details please see the EIA attached.</p>							
<b>Signature</b>				<b>Date of decision</b>	20 <sup>th</sup> February 2026			
<b>Print Name</b>	Councillor John Stephens (Cabinet member for Strategic Planning and Transport)							