

TRAF/7403 – Puffin Crossing, B1012 Burnham Road, South Woodham Ferrers, Chelmsford

We are writing in reference to your communication of the 3rd of November. Please accept our apologies for the length of time that it has taken to reply. This scheme has received some objections and as a result a report has been compiled for the Cabinet Member for Infrastructure.

Thank you for your feedback about this proposed crossing scheme.

You suggested that our consultation drawing was missing a lot of detail that was included in the KFC planning application. This was deliberate, we always produce a scheme specific consultation document for the purposes of consulting the public. It is desirable not to overwhelm the consultee with non-pertinent technical detail.

Your comment with regards the no pavement shown on the south-side of the carriageway is a comment that is a criticism of the development and planning permission and does not have a bearing to the consultation the Town Council is commenting on.

We accept that the vegetation can affect sightlines to the upgraded crossing location and it will be removed as part of the proposed works.

The turn off lane into the petrol garage complies with the Design Manual for Roads and Bridges (DMRB) document CD123, which provides requirements for the geometric design of at-grade priority and signal-controlled junctions.

The layout at this site provides drivers from Willow Grove (the next exit) approach, full visibility of crossing as well as signal heads from their 'give-way line' as recommended in DMRB CD116, which provides requirements for the geometric design of roundabouts and outlines visibility requirements for pedestrian crossings on roundabout approach arms.

Drivers on the A132 from Chelmsford travelling in the direction of Burnham once they have joined the circulatory roundabout, will also have full width visibility to the crossing as well as signal heads. There are no requirements for vehicles approaching the roundabout junction from (A132) Chelmsford and travelling towards Burnham, to have full width visibility, across the roundabout circulatory island, from the give way line.

The distances in the public notice detail the length of the road markings. The appropriate consideration has been taken into account as per DMRB CD116.

The planning condition requires the crossing to be implemented prior to occupation. Once the Cabinet Members Action report has been signed off we shall be proceeding with this scheme.

We note your suggestion of rumble strips and this is something that will be looked at as part of the Stage 3 Road Safety Audit that is completed after the implementation of this scheme.

As advised above this scheme is now being referred to the Cabinet Member for Infrastructure who will now make the decision about whether to proceed with this proposal. The decision will be made public on our website.

Thank you again for your participation in our consultation

Regards

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