

AGENDA MANAGEMENT SHEET

Name of Committee Nuneaton and Bedworth Area Committee

Date of Committee 13 April 2011

Report Title Church Way, Bedworth - Proposed Informal Raised Pedestrian Crossing

Summary Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council requested that Warwickshire County Council provide an informal raised pedestrian crossing on Church Road, Bedworth to assist pedestrians crossing within the vicinity of Bedworth Market and Aldi.

Formal consultation has taken place which has generated one objection.

This report considers the objection and recommends that the raised pedestrian crossing should be implemented as advertised.

For further information please contact Tristan Hall
Road Safety Engineer
01926 412889
tristanhall@warwickshire.gov.uk

Would the recommended decision be contrary to the Budget and Policy Framework? No

Background Papers Objections and letter/email of meeting invitation.

CONSULTATION ALREADY UNDERTAKEN:- *Details to be specified*

Other Committees

Local Member(s) Councillor R Chattaway
(With brief comments, if appropriate)

Other Elected Members

Cabinet Member
(Reports to The Cabinet, to be cleared with appropriate Cabinet Member)



- Chief Executive
- Legal
- Finance
- Other Chief Officers
- District Councils
- Health Authority
- Police No objection - Have expressed the view it is entirely appropriate for the nature of the road.
- Other Bodies/Individuals Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council, Emergency Services, Road Haulage and Freight Associations, DDA, Residents.

FINAL DECISION **YES/NO** *(If 'No' complete Suggested Next Steps)*

SUGGESTED NEXT STEPS :

Details to be specified

- Further consideration by this Committee
- To Council
- To Cabinet
- To an O & S Committee
- To an Area Committee
- Further Consultation

Nuneaton and Bedworth Area Committee – 13 April 2011

**Church Way, Bedworth - Proposed Informal Raised
Pedestrian Crossing**

Recommendation

That the proposed informal raised pedestrian crossing, funded and championed by Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council should be implemented on Church Way, Bedworth as advertised.

1. Introduction

- 1.1 Following the formal advertisement of a proposed raised informal pedestrian crossing on Church Way, one objection from a resident has been received relating to the proposal. This report considers the objection and recommends that the informal raised pedestrian crossing point be implemented as advertised.
- 1.2 The proposal consists of an informal raised crossing point along Church Way. This will provide a raised table that will allow pedestrians to cross the road at footway level and will slow vehicles on approach. The informal crossing will not however give pedestrians formal right of way over traffic. The proposal is shown in Drawing No: RSE/11-12/043V/101 as **Appendix A**.

2. Background

- 2.1 Church Way Bedworth is a “D” Class road providing access to Aldi, Bedworth Market, a small number of retail outlets and a number of residential flats. The road is not a through route and terminates near a number of garages associated to the residential flats and rear access to a number of retail outlets.
- 2.2 There is significant pedestrian activity within the vicinity of the proposal with pedestrians accessing Bedworth Market, Aldi and crossing from Congrave Walk.
- 2.3 Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council have approached Warwickshire County Council with a request to install a raised pedestrian crossing point across Church Way from Bedworth Market to a proposed pedestrian only access point into the Aldi car park. The Borough Council have agreed to pay for the construction of the scheme and all other associated costs.
- 2.4 It is envisaged that the crossing point will assist all pedestrians but particularly the more vulnerable and less mobile pedestrians in the area accessing the Market, Aldi and crossing from Congrave Walk.

5. Formal Consultation

- 5.1 Consultation has been carried out with the Local Member, Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council, Warwickshire Police, the Fire Brigade, The Ambulance Service, Road Haulage and Freight Associations, Disabled Drivers Association, Market Traders and residents and businesses along Church Way and Congrave Walk.
- 5.2 The Police have no objection to the proposals and have commented that it is entirely appropriate to the nature of the road.
- 5.3 The local Member, Councillor Richard Chattaway has inspected the proposals and is happy for the scheme to be put forward.
- 5.4 The proposal is supported by the Market Traders at Bedworth Market when discussions were undertaken during the letter drop.

6. Objections

- 6.1 A Legal notice advertising the proposed feature was placed in the Nuneaton Weekly Tribute on the 4 November 2010, with the objection period ending on the 6 December 2010. Yellow backed notices were also placed on street to inform local people and advise them of their right to object.
- 6.2 One letter of objection from a resident of Church Way was received and raised the following points:-
- 6.3 **Objection 1**

Point (i)

The feature will cause major problems in accessing the residential properties along Church Way and cause great delays in leaving them.

Response

The single feature is designed to provide minimum discomfort for road users by incorporating a relatively shallow on/off ramp and a relatively long flat top/plateau length. It is not envisaged that proposed single feature will introduce any significant delay for vehicles accessing properties serviced by Church Way.

Point (ii)

The proposals do nothing to address the inappropriate parking along Church Way and the issues associated with accessing properties.

Response

The scheme has not been designed to address parking issues along Church Way. It is accepted that there appears to be a high number of "blue badge"

holders parking legitimately on the existing double yellow lines and that it may be causing problems for residents and market traders. Environment and Economy Directorate are aware of the issue and will review the situation when the wider parking issues at Nuneaton and Bedworth are investigated in 2011. The objector has been invited to a site meeting to discuss the issues but no response to the invitation has been received.

7. Conclusion

- 7.1 The advertised proposals have general support and will provide an improvement for pedestrians along Church Way.
- 7.2 It is recommended that the proposed informal raised pedestrian crossing along Church Way be implemented as advertised.

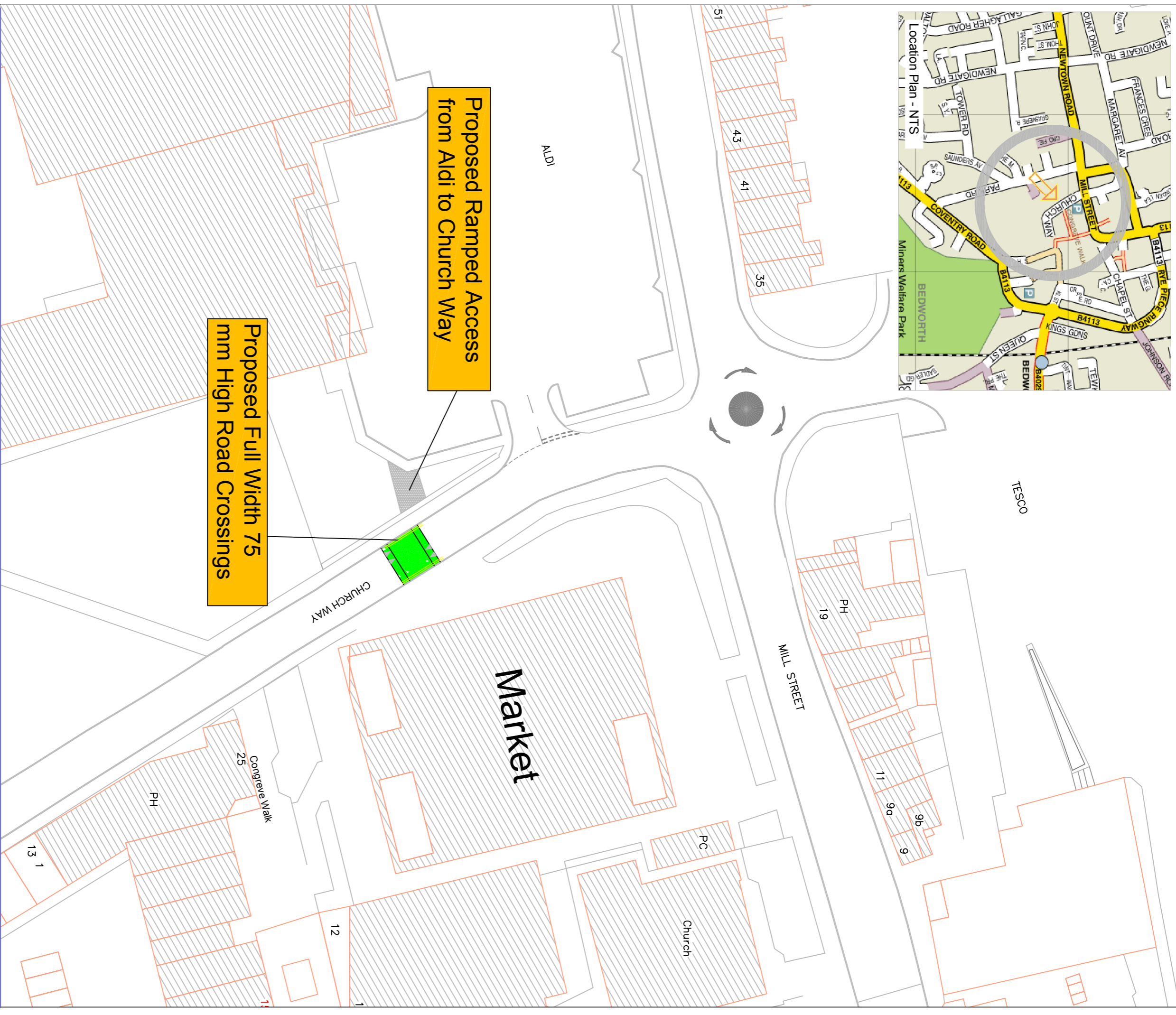
Report Author: Tristan Hall

Head of Service: Graeme Fitton

Strategic Director: Paul Galland

Portfolio Holder: Councillor Alan Cockburn

19 January 2011



Proposed Ramped Access from Aldi to Church Way

Proposed Full Width 75mm High Road Crossings



BO Box 43, Shire Hall
Warwick, CV34 4SX
Tel : 01926 410410
Fax : 01926 491665
Email : pies@warwickshire.gov.uk
Web : www.warwickshire.gov.uk

ENVIRONMENT AND ECONOMY DIRECTORATE

Paul Galland MBA, DMS, DTS, FTSI
Strategic Director

Graeme Fitton BSc, MSc, C.Eng, MICE
Head of Transport for Warwickshire

APPENDIX A

Rev	Date	By	Chk	Amendment	NOTES	TITLE	DRN	TJH	CKD
						Nuneaton & Bedworth Borough Council Church Way - Proposed Crossing Points			
							DATE	SEPT 2010	LW
							SCALE	1:500 @ A3	
							DRG. NO.	RSE/11-12/043V/101	

Based on the Ordnance Survey map with the permission of the Controller of Her Majesty's Stationery Office (C) Crown Copyright. All rights reserved. Unauthorised reproduction infringes Crown Copyright and may lead to prosecution or civil proceedings. Warwickshire County Council, 10001820, 2010

Based on the Ordnance Survey map with the permission of the Controller of Her Majesty's Stationery Office (C) Crown Copyright. All rights reserved. Unauthorised reproduction infringes Crown Copyright and may lead to prosecution or civil proceedings. Warwickshire County Council, 10001820, 2010

