

REPORT TO: PLANNING AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
29 APRIL 2002

REPORT ON: BLACKNESS ROAD – PROPOSED PUFFIN PEDESTRIAN CROSSING

REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND TRANSPORTATION

REPORT NO: 260-2002

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To recommend the installation of a Puffin crossing on Blackness Road at Rosefield Street with associated traffic management.

2 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 Committee is asked to approve
- i the installation of a Puffin crossing on Blackness Road in close proximity of the Post Office at Rosefield Street.
 - ii Promotion of a Traffic Regulation Order to make Blackness Street one way south to eliminate a turning manoeuvre at this junction therefore improving road safety at the new crossing. Minor adjustments to the waiting restrictions in Blackness Street at Blackness Road are also necessary.

3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 The total cost of the works are estimate at £30,000 which will require to be met from the draft Capital Allocation for Traffic Signals and Pedestrian Safety in 2002/03, subject to the availability of resources.

4 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 The City Council seeks to capitalise on opportunities which support the reduction of road traffic accidents and promote the preservation of more sustainable transport modes when accessing the facilities and services of the City.

5 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 The technology involved in a Puffin crossing is such that it is reactive to the specific needs of users. The crossing will be of special benefit to the elderly and mobility impaired residents who will receive greater periods of time as required to negotiate the crossing.

6 BACKGROUND

- 6.1 A pedestrian crossing facility has been requested for this locus in the past but failed to meet the previous rigid criteria.
- 6.2 Whilst in isolation the vehicle/pedestrian flows are not at a level which would justify a crossing at this locus the demographic profile and accident record result in this site appearing on the annual assessment as a cluster site for accidents.
- 6.3 A further pedestrian and vehicular survey was carried out in response to requests from the MSP and local elected member for the area.

- 6.4 The findings are such that significant benefit for the many elderly residents in the area will be achieved, particularly as the facility can be placed on the desire line at the Post Office frontage in this retail area.
- 6.5 It is necessary to make Blackness Street one-way south to remove a turning manoeuvre and accommodate a footway landing for the crossing in order to establish it in this position.
- 6.6 The revised layout is shown on the attached drawing.

7 CONSULTATIONS

- 7.1 The Chief Executive, Director of Finance, Director of Support Services, Director of Corporate Planning and The Chief Constable have been consulted and are in agreement with the contents of this report.

8 BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 8.1 None.

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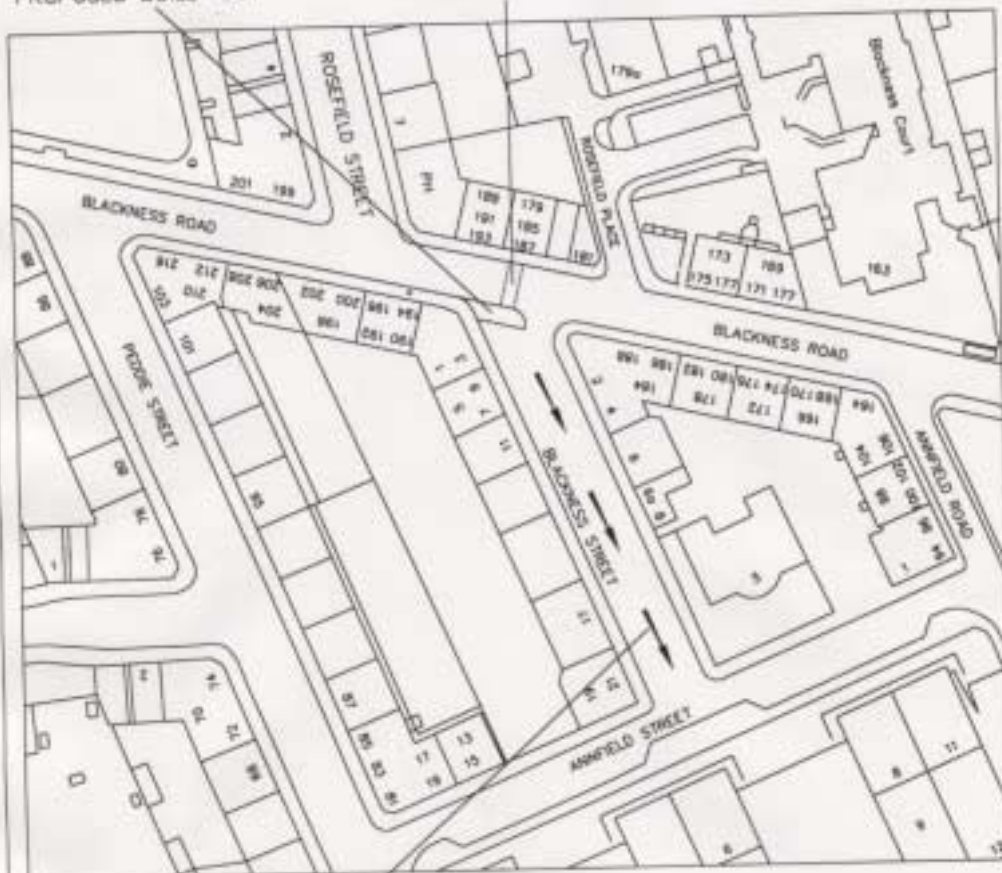
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PROPOSED BUILD-OUT

PROPOSED PEDESTRIAN CROSSING



PROPOSED ONE-WAY TRAFFIC SOUTH

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PROPOSED ALTERATIONS BLACKNESS STREET/ROAD					
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