



Report ABPC/24/012

To: Aldington and Bonnington Parish Council.

Date: 9 September 2024

Status: Public Report

Subject: Highways Improvement Plan

1. **SUMMARY:**

The Parish Council Highways Improvement Plan is due to be reviewed and any new requests considered before meeting with the Community Engagement Team at KCC.

2. **REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION.**

As part of the process of submitting a Highways Improvement Plan research and consultation is required before the proposal is submitted and a meeting with the Community Engagement Team arranged to discuss the next steps in the process.

3. **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1. **To receive and note Report ABPC/24/012.**
2. **To return to the Parish Council with a full report once the outcome of the pre-consultation questionnaire is known and the traffic survey received.**

4. **INTRODUCTION:**

Pre-consultation engagement is the first step to ensure that any proposals has full stakeholder and community buy-in. this step is required as some requests require a Traffic Regulation Order to be made these area advertised and formal consultation with relevant stakeholders takes place. Should more than five valid objections be received it will be necessary to discuss them at a meeting of the local joint transport bears incurring extra cost.

As the principle area being considered is Roman Road between the top of Forge Hill and the School a questionnaire has been delivered to all households in that vicinity seeking feedback. A traffic survey has also been commissioned over a four week period to determine the number of vehicles passing the school as well as speed which will inform the process.

5. **THE PROPOSALS:**

- Traffic calming in the vicinity of Aldington Primary School on Roman Road
- A 20mph speed restriction between the top of Forge Hill and the Primary School on Roman Road
- Extending the double yellow lines at the top of Forge Hill to move parked cars away from the junction enhancing visibility
- Double yellow lines at the junction of Goldwell Lane and Roman Road to move parked cars away from the junction
- Install bollards on the verges at the top of Goldwell Lane to prohibit parking on the verges.

6. **POTENTIAL COSTS:**

Due to budgetary constraints at County level it is possible that the Parish Council may be asked to fund any works that are approved the following figures are indicative:

- Traffic Regulation Order (double yellow lines, speed limit etc) from £3,000
- 20mph zone entry treatment from £1,600 each entry point
- Yellow lines from £800
- Bollards £275 each
- Design fee £1,124

7. **CONTACT OFFICER AND BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS.**

If you have any queries about this report please contact the Responsible Financial Officer of the Council Tel.: 07928453208 or email: clerk@abpc.org.uk prior to the meeting.