SECTION 66(4) AND 65 (1) of the HIGHWAYS ACT 1990

Proposal for the conversion of existing footways to cycle track for shared use along the south eastern kerbline of (A4) London Road, Bath (from outside No. 10 Walcot Buildings and heading south west).

(Ward division: Walcot, Bath)

1 The Issue

1.1 The proposal is to convert the existing footway along the south eastern kerbline of London Road (from outside of No. 10 Walcot Buildings, heading south west for 168m) to shared use footways for cyclists and pedestrians.

2 Recommendation

2.1 The proposals referred to in paragraph 1.1 are converted to cycle tracks as shown on the attached plan MPLONPRE/TRO/3.

3 <u>Financial implications</u>

3.1 The funding for the scheme is part of the A4 London Road Regeneration scheme. The project involves the revision of the existing parking restrictions and the installation of various highway improvement works on London Road.

4 Legal background

4.1 In order to convert a footway to cycle track, the footway must be removed under Section 66(4) of the Highways Act 1980 and a cycle track 'constructed' under Section 65(1) of the Act. No physical construction is necessary, however there needs to be clear evidence that the power has been exercised.

5 <u>Background information</u>

5.1 This scheme forms part of the larger A4 London Road regeneration scheme, developed to address concerns over increasing problems related to parking, which is becoming a greater concern on many streets around the authority due to the increasing volume of vehicles on our roads and the growing number of vehicles parking inappropriately. Throughout this project, consultations have taken place with a variety of end users.

AUTHORISATION

Under the Council's Constitution, Part 3, Section 4D9, the authority to make or amend Orders has been delegated to the Group Manager - Highways & Traffic. In accordance with that delegation, and subject to sections 66(4) and 65(1) of the Highways Act 1990, I authorise the conversion of the length of footway shown hatched in green on accompanying drawing MPLONPRE/TRO/3 into a shared footway / cycleway.

Signed..

Dated 29/3/2016.

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