TEAM MANAGER, HIGHWAY RECORDS

REPORT TO HEAD OF STRATEGIC TRANSPORT AND INFRASTRUCTURE

19th October 2017

HIGHWAYS ACT 1980 – SECTION 116

PROPOSED CLOSURE OF PART OF STEPNEY STREET, SHEFFIELD S2

1.0 PURPOSE

To seek authority to process the Stopping-Up Order required for closing part of Stepney Street in the Hyde Park area of Sheffield.

2.0 BACKGROUND

2.1 The applicant is seeking to close the area shown by black hatching on the plan attached as Appendix A. The applicant contends that this area is no longer needed as public highway.

2.2 The subject area is within land owned by the applicant and no neighbouring land owners will be affected.

2.3 This part of Stepney Street has been enclosed behind gates for a number of years, though this part of the highway serves only to access the applicants land. No complaints have been received at any time regarding the enclosure of the highway.

3.0 CONSULTATIONS

3.1 Consultations have been carried out with the Statutory Undertakers, the Emergency Services and other relevant bodies.

3.2 Not all consultees had responded at the time of writing this report but of those who have replied none have equipment within the proposed area of closure.

4.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

4.1 Legal Services have been consulted and have advised that, assuming the areas of highway are unnecessary, it would be appropriate to process the closure using the powers contained within Section 116 of the Highways Act 1980.

5.0 HIGHWAY IMPLICATIONS

5.1 Stepney Street is an adopted all-purpose highway.
6.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITY IMPLICATIONS
6.1 There are no particular equal opportunities implications arising from the proposals in this report.

7.0 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS
7.1 There are no environmental implications associated with this closure.

8.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS
8.1 There will be a slight reduction in liability on the Highway Maintenance Revenue Budget as a result of this highway closure.
8.2 Any associated costs, relating to the proposals, will be met by the applicant.

9.0 CONCLUSION
9.1 Based on the above information, I have no objections to the proposed closure as shown by hatching on the plan included as Appendix A.

10.0 RECOMMENDATIONS
10.1 Raise no objections to the proposed closure of part of Stepney Street in the Hyde Park area of Sheffield, as shown by hatching on the plan included as Appendix A, subject to satisfactory arrangements being made with Statutory Undertakers with regards to their mains and services that may be affected.
10.2 Authorise Legal Services to take all necessary action on the matter under the powers contained within Section 116 of the Highways Act 1980 and to apply to the Magistrates’ Court for an Order to stop-up the said area of highway.

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Highway Records

19th October 2017

REPORT APPROVED BY HEAD OF STRATEGIC TRANSPORT AND INFRASTRUCTURE
Signed
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