REPORT TO HEAD OF STRATEGIC TRANSPORT AND INFRASTRUCTURE

30 August 2016

PROPOSED STOPPING UP OF HIGHWAY AT WEST BAR AND FURNACE HILL, SHEFFIELD.

- 1.0 PURPOSE
- 1.1 To seek authority to approve the proposed Stopping-Up Order required for parts of West Bar and Furnace Hill, Sheffield.
- 2.0 BACKGROUND
- 2.1 An application to make a Highways Stopping-Up Order, under Section 247 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, has been made to the Department for Transport National Transport Casework Team (N.T.C.T.).
- 2.2 N.T.C.T has contacted the City Council, as a statutory consultee, in respect of the proposed closure referred to below.
- 2.3 The applicant is seeking the closure of parts of West Bar and Furnace Hill, Sheffield. A planning application has been made under number 14/03218/FUL for a mixed use development including lower ground floor retail unit and 89 apartments to upper floors, site of 137 West Bar Sheffield.
- 2.4 In order to facilitate the approved development, it is necessary to permanently stop up the areas of highway shown by hatching on the closure plan included as Appendix A.
- 3.0 CONSULTATIONS
- 3.1 In this particular case, it is not the role of the City Council to consult the statutory organisations and other relevant bodies. However, as part of the process of making the application to N.T.C.T, the applicant should have consulted the usual sources and been in discussion with affected parties concerning the resiting and protection of their equipment. At the time of writing this report the Council had not received notification of any objections.

4.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 The Director of Legal Services has been consulted and has advised that, assuming the areas of highway need to be stopped up to facilitate the approved development, it would be appropriate to process the closure using powers contained within the Town & Country Planning Act 1990, Section 247.
- 5.0 HIGHWAY IMPLICATIONS
- 5.1 West Bar is a classified (C753) all-pupose highway.
- 5.2 Funace Hill is an all-purpose adopted highway.
- 5.3 The subject areas form part of a planted area behind the current footways serving West Bar and Furnace Hill. The loss of these sections of highway therefore should not affect the public's enjoyment of this area. The closures are necessary for the approved development and will have no detrimental effect on the surrounding highway network and its users.
- 5.4 The Council is satisfied that it is necessary to close the existing highways as shown on the plan attached as Appendix A in order to facilitate the planning consent.
- 6.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITY IMPLICATIONS
- 6.1 No particular equal opportunity implications arise from the proposal in this report.
- 7.0 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS
- 7.1 No particular environmental implications arise from the proposal in this report.
- 8.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS
- 8.1 There will be no increase in liability on the Highway Maintenance Revenue Budget as a result of this highway closure.
- 8.2 All costs associated with, and arising from, the application for the permanent highway closure, and consequent works on site, will be met by the applicant.
- 9.0 CONCLUSION
- 9.1 Based on the above information, I have no objections to the proposed stopping up of parts of West Bar and Furnace Hill, Sheffield, as shown by hatching on the plan included as Appendix A.

10.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 10.1 No objections are raised to the proposed stopping up of parts of West Bar and Furnace Hill, Sheffield, shown by hatching on the plan included as Appendix A, subject to satisfactory arrangements being made with the Statutory Undertakers with regards to such of their mains and services that may be affected.
- 10.2 Authorise the Director of Legal Services to notify N.T.C.T. of this decision.

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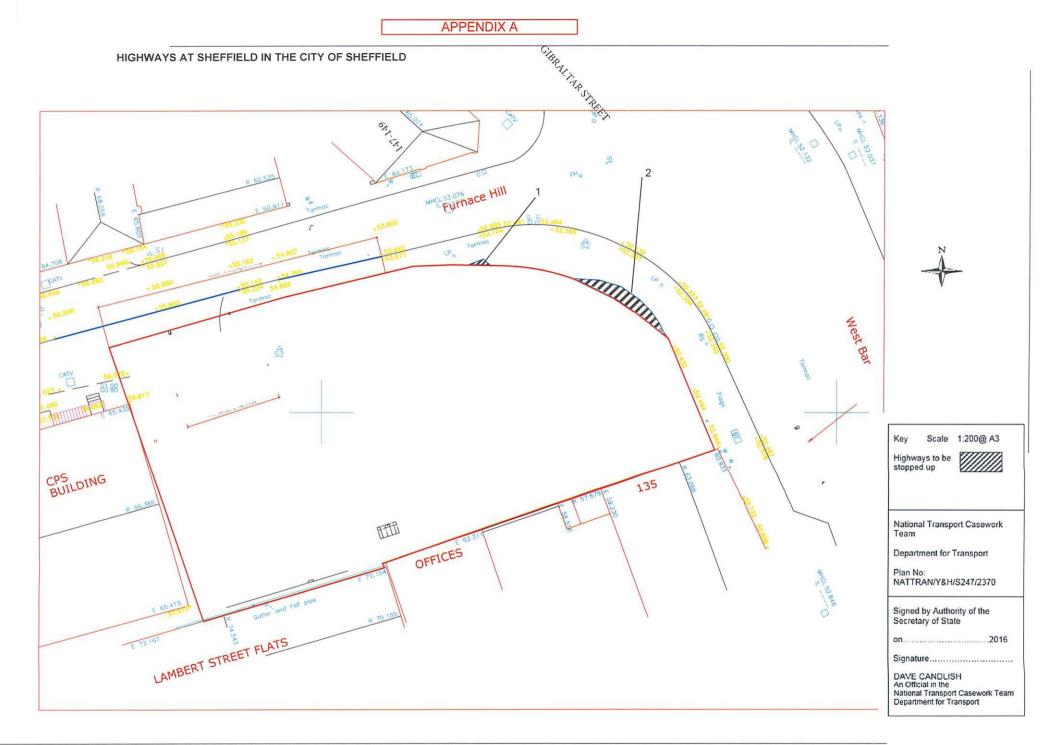
Senior Technician Highway Records.

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REPORT APPROVED BY HEAD OF Strategic Transport and Infrastructure

Signed

Date 31 August 2016.



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