TEAM MANAGER, HIGHWAY RECORDS

REPORT TO HEAD OF STRATEGIC TRANSPORT AND INFRASTRUCTURE 21st August 2023

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 SECTION 247 PROPOSED STOPPING UP OF PART OF GLEADLESS COMMON, SHEFFIELD 12

1.0 PURPOSE

1.1 To seek authority to approve the proposed Stopping-Up Order for part of the public highway at Gleadless Common as shown hatched black on the plan included as Appendix A (hereby referred to as the plan).

2.0 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 An application to make a Highway Stopping-Up Order, under Section 247 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, has been made to the Department for Transport's National Transport Casework Team (N.T.C.T.).
- 2.2 Planning consent has been granted conditionally, under application number 23/00246/FUL for the use of land as an extension to a private garden and associated repositioning of boundary wall, hedges and road signs.
- 2.3 N.T.C.T. has contacted the City Council, as a statutory consultee, in respect of the proposed closure.
- 2.4 The applicant is seeking the permanent closure of part of Gleadless Common, Gleadless, Sheffield.
- 2.5 The applicant contends that, in order to facilitate the development, it will be necessary to permanently stop up the area of highway shown by black 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. It is understood that the N.T.C.T. also make their own consultations as appropriate. 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 subject area of highway needs to be stopped up to facilitate the development, and that planning consent has been granted, it will be appropriate to process the closure using the powers contained within Section 247 of the Town & Country Planning Act 1990.

5.0 HIGHWAY IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 Gleadless Common is an adopted all-purpose public highway in the Gleadless area of Sheffield.
- The subject area is located at the junction of Gleadless Common and Leadbeater Road, as shown in the photo attached as Appendix B. It forms part of a wide footway/visibility splay with a maximum width of 6.7 metres. The proposed closure will reduce the footway at Leadbeater Road to 1.8 metres and to 3.5 metres at Gleadless Common, similar to the extent of highway adjacent to the property opposite at 6 Leadbeater Road.
- 5.3 Colleagues in Highway Development Control have been consulted and are satisfied that the removal of this area of highway will not affect visibility at this junction.
- 5.4 Therefore, closure of these areas of highway should not affect the public's enjoyment of the area. The closures are necessary for the proposed development and it is considered that they will have no detrimental effect on the surrounding highway network and its users.

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 The closure will result in a slight reduction to the Highway Maintenance budget.
- 8.2 All costs associated with, and arising from, the permanent highway closure will be met by the applicant.

9.0 CONCLUSION

9.1 Based on the above information, I have no objections to the proposed Order, as shown on the plan included as Appendix A.

10.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 10.1 Raise no objection to the proposed stopping up of part of the public highway of Gleadless Common as shown on the plan included as Appendix A.
- 10.2 Authorise the Director of Legal Services to notify N.T.C.T. of this decision.

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21st August 2023

REPORT APPROVED BY TOM FINNEGAN-SMITH HEAD OF STRATEGIC TRANSPORT AND INFRASTRUCTURE

Date 21st August 2023



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