REPORT TO HEAD OF TRANSPORT, TRAFFIC AND PARKING SERVICES 19<sup>th</sup> May 2015

PROPOSED STOPPING-UP PART OF CHESTERFIELD ROAD, WOODSEATS, NORTON, SHEFFIELD.

### 1.0 PURPOSE

1.1 To seek authority to support the proposed Stopping-Up Order required for part of Chesterfield Road, Woodseats, 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.) by a private developer.
- 2.2 N.T.C.T has contacted the City Council, as a statutory consultee, in respect of the proposed closure.
- 2.3 The applicant is seeking the closure of part of Chesterfield Road, shown by black hatching on the plan enclosed as Appendix A, in the Woodseats area of Sheffield. The application has been made in conjunction with planning application 15/01149/FUL for the demolition of library and erection of three storey building to provide medical centre, public library and pharmacy with associated car parking, accommodation, and landscaping works.
- 2.4 In order to facilitate the approved development, it is necessary to permanently stop up the area of highway shown by hatching on the closure plan included as Appendix A.
- 2.5 The land within the subject area is currently in the ownership of the City Council (Highways). Following completion of the closure process the land will transferred/sold and will no longer be the responsibility of the Highway Authority.

### 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 Chesterfield Road is a classified (A61) all-purpose adopted highway.
- 5.2 The subject area forms a large grass verge, at the rear of a wide footway, with a footpath accessing the current library facility only. As such the closure will have no adverse effect on highway users.
- 5.3 The Council is satisfied that it is necessary to close the existing highway as shown on the plan attached as Appendix A in order to facilitate the development.

## 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 closure of part of Chesterfield Road, 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 part of Chesterfield Road, as 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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REPORT APPROVED BY HEAD OF TRANSPORT, TRAFFIC AND PARKING SERVICES

Signed 20-5-2015

