

TEAM MANAGER, HIGHWAY RECORDS

REPORT TO HEAD OF STRATEGIC TRANSPORT AND INFRASTRUCTURE

7th December 2021

PROPOSED STOPPING UP OF PART OF ABBEYDALE ROAD, HIGHFIELD, SHEFFIELD 7

1.0 PURPOSE

- 1.1 To seek authority to approve the proposed Stopping-Up Order for part of the public highway at Abbeydale Road, as shown hatched black on the plan included as Appendix A.

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 21/02236/FUL for the erection of a decked area to accommodate outdoor seating to the front of the shop at 89 Abbeydale Road, Highfield.
- 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 Abbeydale Road, Highfield, 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 Abbeydale Road is a Classified (B6081) all-purpose adopted highway in the Highfield area of Sheffield.
- 5.2 The subject area forms part of a wide triangular area of footway, at the junction of Abbeydale Road and Staveley Road, that at its widest point is approximately 8.5m. The proposed closure will remove an area of 7.5m² that directly abuts 89 Abbeydale Road. It is considered that the closure will have little (if any) effect on the main pedestrian routes along Abbeydale Road and Staveley Road, as shown in photo, included as Appendix B.
- 5.3 The remaining footway of Abbeydale Road will be wider than average (3.5 metres at the narrowest point) and therefore, it is considered that the closure of the 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 The 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 (footway) of Abbeydale Road in the Highfield area of Sheffield.
- 10.2 Authorise the Director of Legal Services to notify N.T.C.T. of this decision.

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7th December 2021

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

Date 7th December 2021

HIGHWAY AT SHEFFIELD IN THE CITY OF SHEFFIELD



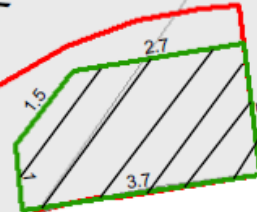
APPENDIX A

3.5 1.75 0 3.5 Meters


ABBEYDALE ROAD

STAVELEY ROAD

68



Key Scale 1:100 @ A4

Highway to be stopped up 

National Transport Casework Team

Department for Transport

Plan No:
NATTRAN/Y&H/S247/4828

Signed by Authority of the
Secretary of State

on.....2021

Signature.....

DAVE CANDLISH
An Official in the
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Department for Transport

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APPENDIX B

