

**Decision Maker:** Environment Portfolio Holder

**Date:** Following Environment PDS Committee on 1st October 2013

**Decision Type:** Non-Urgent Executive Non-Key

**Title:** CONGESTION RELIEF SCHEME: WENDOVER ROAD /  
MASONS HILL, BROMLEY - JUNCTION IMPROVEMENTS

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**Chief Officer:** Nigel Davies, Executive Director of Environment and Community Services

**Ward:** Bromley Town

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1. Reason for report

To improve the junction of Wendover Road with Masons Hill (A21) in order to reduce traffic congestion

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2. RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 That the Portfolio Holder approves consultation on a highway scheme to improve traffic flows out of Wendover Road.

That the Portfolio Holder delegates decisions regarding details of any design to the Executive Director of Environment and Community Services, in consultation with Ward Members and the Portfolio Holder , and having regard to the outcome of public consultation.

## Corporate Policy

1. Policy Status: Existing Policy:
  2. BBB Priority: Quality Environment Safer Bromley
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## Financial

1. Cost of proposal: Estimated Cost: £30k
  2. Ongoing costs: Non-Recurring Cost:
  3. Budget head/performance centre: Section 106 funds
  4. Total current budget for this head: £30k
  5. Source of funding: Section 106 funds from the agreement relating to the Bristol Street Motors development
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## Staff

1. Number of staff (current and additional): One
  2. If from existing staff resources, number of staff hours: 60 hours
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## Legal

1. Legal Requirement: Non-Statutory - Government Guidance:
  2. Call-in: Applicable:
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## Customer Impact

1. Estimated number of users/beneficiaries (current and projected): All road users which pass through this junction on route either to Bromley High Street or towards Hayes.
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## Ward Councillor Views

1. Have Ward Councillors been asked for comments? Yes
2. Summary of Ward Councillors comments: No comments have been received to date, but any received will be reported before or at the meeting.

### 3. COMMENTARY

- 3.1 The junction of Wendover Road with Masons Hill has seen an increasing number of vehicle movements which cut through the east side of Bromley Town from Widmore Road in order to avoid Kentish Way. Traffic can either turn left towards Hayes Lane or right towards Bromley High Street. However, it currently only has a single lane exit, thus long queues can build up at peak times when a vehicle is waiting to turn right across busy traffic in Masons Hill.
- 3.2 The junction of Wendover Road with Masons Hill has always been recognised as a localised problem for exiting vehicles, as there is not enough width for two safe exit lanes. However, if the carriageway in Wendover Road were to be slightly widened then two exit lanes could be implemented to provide one lane for left turning vehicles and another for right turning vehicles. The carriageway would be widened by slightly reducing the current width of the footways.
- 3.3 Transport for London will need to be closely involved in this project due to the proximity of Wendover Road to Masons Hill which is on the Transport for London Road Network.
- 3.4 Drawing number 11371-01 shows a layout for the junction indicating reduced footway widths and 3m vehicle exit lanes.
- 3.5 Statutory utility services have been investigated and it is not currently anticipated that any will need to be moved in order to widen the carriageway under the current footways. Trial holes will be dug in the normal way to ensure this to be the case.

#### Consultation

- 3.6 TfL have been informally consulted, as Masons Hill is a Red Route, and have raised no objections but have made some minor observations.

### 4. POLICY IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 The proposals in this report are within existing policy. In ' Building a Better Bromley 2020 vision – Quality Environment ' one of the stated issues is: improving the road network for all users. In addition the Environment Portfolio Plan 2012/15 includes the key aim of improving the road network and journey times for all users.

### 5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 The estimated cost of the works is £30k. This will be funded from Section 106 monies that were secured as part of the agreement for the Bristol Street Motors development. An amount of £30k was provided towards highways works for the improvement of the Wendover Road / Masons Hill Bromley junction.

<b>Non-Applicable Sections:</b>	Legal and Personnel Implications
Background Documents: (Access via Contact Officer)	Drawing number 11371-01