

Title of meeting: Traffic and Transportation Decision Meeting

Date of meeting: 17 October 2019

Subject: Speed Reduction - Proposed locations

Report by: Tristan Samuels - Director of Regeneration

Wards affected: Cosham/Drayton and Farlington/Fratton

Key decision: No

Full Council decision: No

1. Purpose of report

- 1.1 To consider the locations suggested for speed reduction measures as part of the speed reduction LTP 2019/20 programme that was agreed in March 2019.

2. Recommendations

It is recommended that the Cabinet Member for Traffic and Transportation:

- 2.1 **Approves the spend from the Speed Reduction Measure budget of speed reduction measures along Southwick Hill Road, Old Manor Way and Clive Road (all locations illustrated in Appendix A).**

3. Background

- 3.1 In June 2018, a total of 1,783 people were killed in reported road traffic accidents in Great Britain, a similar number to the 1,793 deaths reported in 2017. This figure is also similar to the level of fatalities seen since 2012 which followed a period of substantial reduction in fatalities from 2006-2010. There were 26,610 seriously injured casualties and 165,100 slightly injured casualties.
- 3.2 Local authorities have various statutory duties under Section 39 of the Road Traffic Act 1988 related to road safety, including taking steps to reduce and prevent accidents, promoting road safety, and securing the safe movement of traffic and pedestrians.
- 3.3 The Speed Reduction Measures budget allocated within the LTP 3 funding 2019-20 will address those statutory duties.

4. Consultation

- 4.1 Consultation will be undertaken with representatives and the residents in/around Southwick Hill Road and Clive Road. It will not be necessary to consult with the residents of Old Manor Way when replacing the obsolete VAS signs that are no longer working.
- 4.2 Letters will be addressed to residents of Clive Road and Southwick Hill Road, the extent of the consultation area will be defined by population density in the surrounding area.
- 4.3 Following the letters addressed to residents, public notices detailing the proposed schemes will be displayed on-street in Southwick Hill Road and Clive Road, uploaded to the City Council website and sent to statutory consultees and ward councillors, inviting comments. A 28-day consultation period will be undertaken, and any objections raised will see the schemes brought back to Traffic and Transport committee for further consideration.

5. Reasons for recommendations

5.1 Southwick Hill Road

Portsmouth City Council Safer Travel Team have carried out speed and traffic surveys on Southwick Hill Road to review the existing vehicle speeds and volumes that utilised the road from 11 July 2019 until 22 July 2019. The data indicated that within the existing 30mph speed limit:-

Westbound Traffic-Total vehicles = 34,962 Average speed = 43mph, 85th percentile = 50mph;
Eastbound Traffic - Total vehicles = 31,406, Average speed = 40mph, 85th percentile = 47mph;
Combined Traffic - Total vehicles = 66,368, Average speed = 42mph, 85th percentile = 49mph.

- 5.2 A review of the accident data shows that in the last three year period there have been 7 accidents recorded Southwick Hill Road. Of these accidents 2 have been classed as serious and the remaining 5 have been classed as slight. From the data provided this has indicated that 3 of the accidents have involved pedestrians

5.3 Old Manor Way

There are existing vehicle activated speed signs positioned along Old Manor Way, these no longer work and the technology is obsolete. The signs will be replaced with new ones with the latest technology to enable them to be connected to the Portsmouth City council traffic signals network.

5.4 Clive Road

Portsmouth City Council have carried out speed and traffic surveys on Clive Road to review the existing vehicle speed that use the road.

The data indicated that within the existing 20mph speed limit:-

Total vehicles = 14,302 Average speed = 23mph, 85th percentile = 30mph.

5.5 In the last 5 years there have been 8 slight accidents along the length of Clive Road, there have been no incidents that involved pedestrians.

5.6 No parking spaces will be removed as a result of the proposed speed reduction measures.

6. Equality impact assessment

6.1 This report has undergone a preliminary Equality Impact Assessment (EIA) and a full EIA is not required as the recommendations do not have a disproportionate negative impact on any of the specific protected characteristics as described in the Equality Act 2010.

7. Legal implications

7.1 The Council's statutory duties as a local authority under Section 39 of the Road Traffic Act 1988 include the following:

- to prepare and carry out a programme of measures designed to promote road safety
- to carry out studies in relation to accidents arising out of the use of vehicles on roads within its area, and
- in the light of such studies, to take such measures as appear to the authority to be appropriate to prevent such accidents. Such steps may include the provision of information, advice and practical training in relation to road safety, the carrying out of works of improvement, maintenance and repair to roads in its area or any other measures within its powers to control, assist or protect the movement of traffic on roads in its area.

8. Director of Finance's comments

8.1 The cost of these works will be met from the approved £150,000 in the approved Local Transport budget. Officers believe that this budget will be sufficient to meet the cost of these works.

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Signed by:
Tristan Samuels - Director of Regeneration

Background list of documents: Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972

The following documents disclose facts or matters, which have been relied upon to a material extent by the author in preparing this report:

Title of document	Location
Work Mandate	W:\TES\COMMON\New Work\New Mandate - Proposed Schemes\Southwick Hill Road Speed Reduction Measures
Work Mandate	W:\TES\Common\New Work\New Mandate - Proposed Schemes\Old Manor Way Traffic Calming Scheme

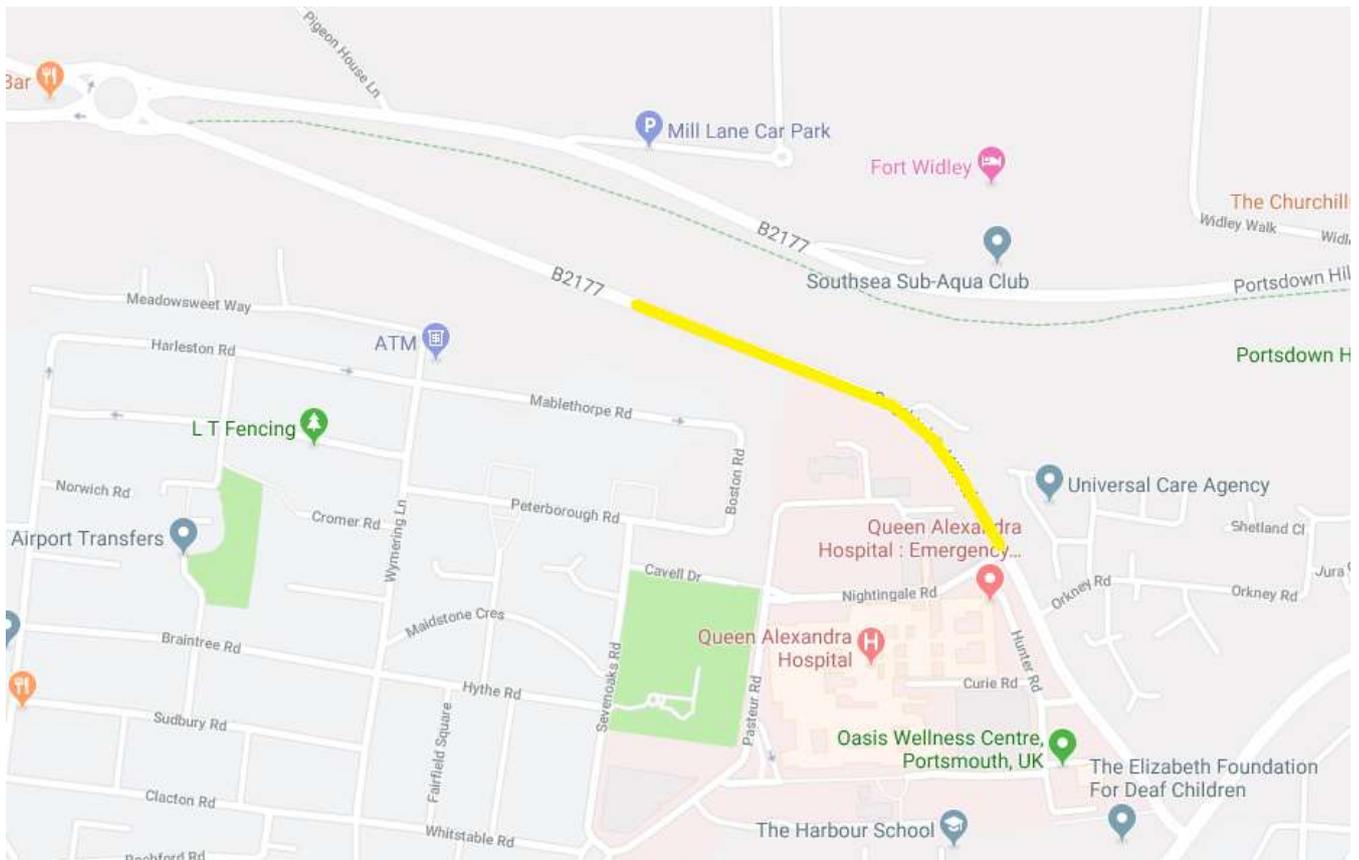
The recommendation(s) set out above were approved/ approved as amended/ deferred/
rejected by on

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Signed by:
Councillor Lynne Stagg - Cabinet Member for Traffic and Transportation

Appendices:

- APPENDIX A - Location maps:

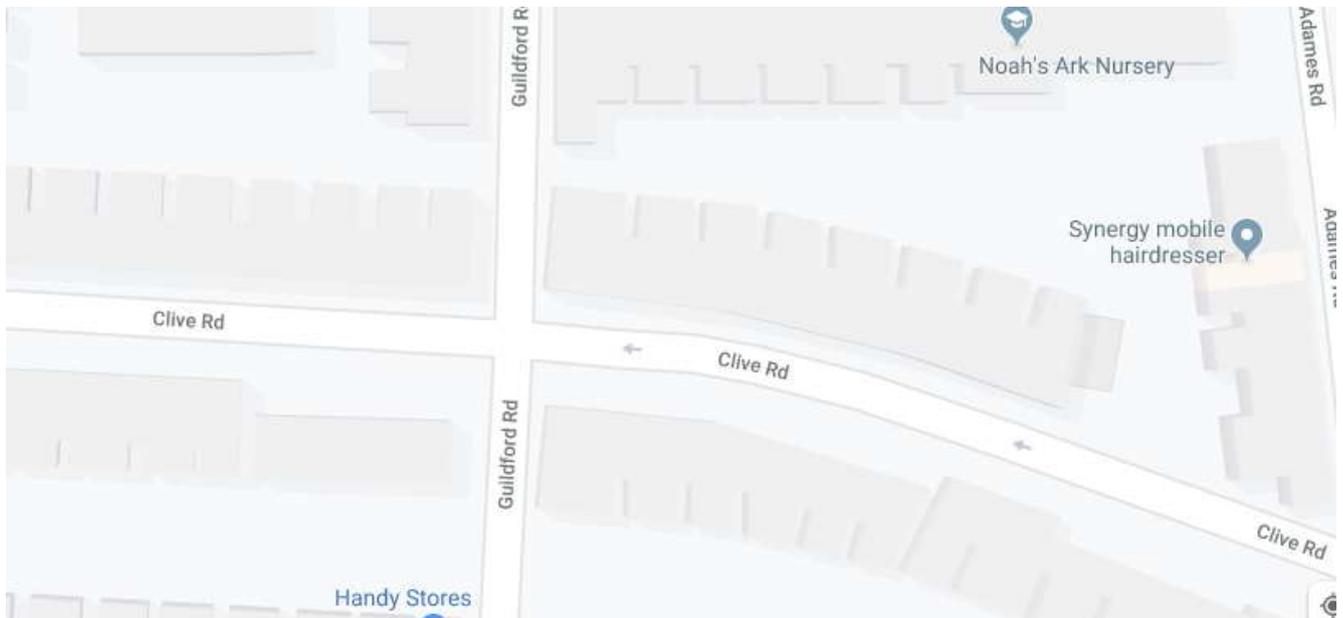
Southwick Hill Road



Old Manor Way



Clive Road



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