

HIW/18/8

West Devon Highways and Traffic Orders Committee  
9 March 2018

**Proposed Pedestrian Crossing Improvement: A386, Plymouth Road, Horrabridge**

Report of the Chief Officer for Highways, Infrastructure Development and Waste

***Please note that the following recommendations are subject to consideration and determination by the Committee before taking effect.***

**Recommendation: It is recommended that:**

- (a) the contents of the report are noted; and**
- (b) that construction of an improved pedestrian refuge on A386 Plymouth Road Horrabridge as shown on drawing B17014 at a cost of £30,000 is approved.**

**1. Background**

A request to consider improved crossing facilities at this location was considered by this Committee at its meeting on 23 March 2015. Investigation of the request indicated that an improved pedestrian refuge would be the most appropriate option.

The Committee RESOLVED

- (a) that the contents of the Report detailing the results and analysis of surveys undertaken be noted;
- (b) that a bid for up to £20,000 be prepared for funding, if available, to enable the existing pedestrian refuge close to Graybridge Road, Horrabridge to be widened during 2016/17, unless sufficient funding becomes available earlier from other sources e.g. Town and Parish Fund, Members Locality Budgets;
- (c) that the position regarding funding for the widening of the refuge and the impact of future development on vehicles using and pedestrians crossing this stretch of the A386 be reviewed in 12 months time.

The matter was referred again to this Committee at its meeting on 22 March 2016. It was reported that additional resources for the scheme had not been identified and

RESOLVED that the position be noted and no further action be taken at this time.

**2. Proposal**

Local Transport Plan funding for 2018/19 has been identified to progress the provision of a substantially widened pedestrian refuge and footway at this location on the A386 which serves as access between 2 bus stops used by children travelling to Schools in Tavistock and Plymouth, also providing access for residents of the Manor Gardens Estate to facilities in the village centre. A plan of the proposal can be seen in Appendix I to this report.

### **3. Options/Alternatives**

Options for the provision of Zebra and Puffin Controlled Crossings have both been explored. The position of a Safety Camera sited to the South East of the Graybridge Road junction complicates provision of either facility at the location of the existing refuge as the required "Zig Zag" clearway markings will interfere with the operation of the secondary check road markings required for the camera to legally operate.

Relocation of the Camera would be costly, physically difficult to achieve and is not desirable as it is currently sited at the best location to monitor traffic speeds at the entrance to the village.

Siting a controlled crossing at an alternative location to the south east would be not be at the established pedestrian desire line and furthers complicated by the proximity of both the Manor Gardens and Old Station Road junctions which are approached on a downhill bend.

### **4. Consultations**

Horrabridge Parish Council have been made aware of the proposal and have indicated that they are in support.

The proposal has been subject to a Road Safety Audit process which has indicated that the design is acceptable. Further Road Safety Audits will be undertaken both prior to and post construction.

### **5. Financial Considerations**

Estimated costs of the proposal is £30,000 to include design and supervision. Funding has been allocated from the Devon Local Transport Plan.

### **6. Environmental Impact Considerations**

The proposal will improve access to local facilities on foot and encourage the use of Public Transport. The environmental impacts arising from the proposals are therefore positive.

### **7. Equality Considerations**

There are no equality consideration impacts arising from the recommendation.

### **8. Legal Considerations**

There are no specific legal considerations arising from the recommendation.

### **9. Risk Management Considerations**

This recommendation has been assessed and all necessary safeguards or action have been taken to safeguard the Council's position.

### **10. Reasons for Recommendations**

The recommendation provides an appropriate enhancement to pedestrian crossing facilities across the A386 in Horrabridge.

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Local Government Act 1972: List of Background Papers

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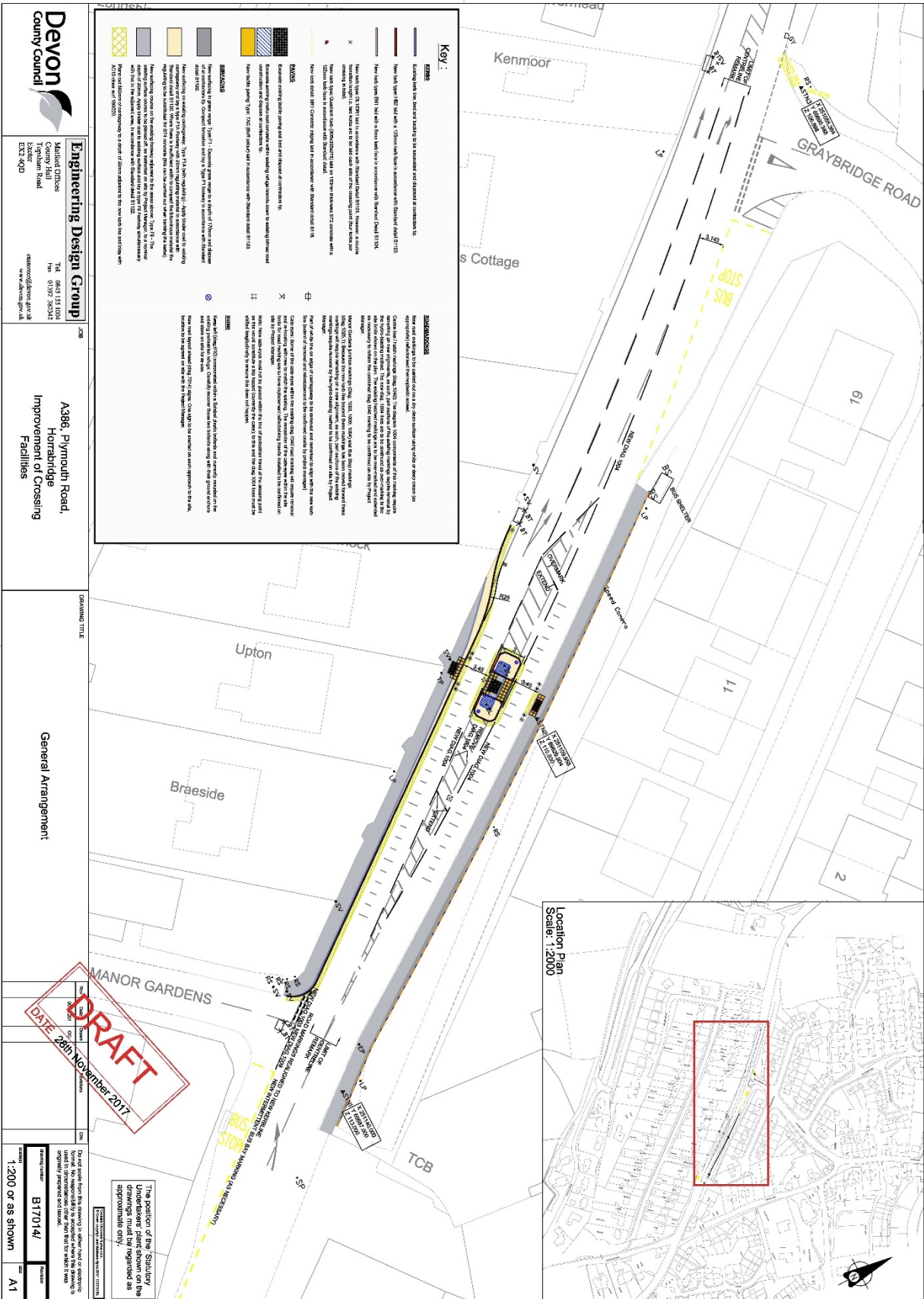
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Background Paper	Date	File Ref.
1. West Devon Hatoc Item 5	23/03/2015	
2. West Devon Hatoc Item 6	23/03/2015	

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# Appendix I To HIW/18/8



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A386, Plymouth Road,  
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Improvement of Crossing  
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DRAWING TITLE

General Arrangement

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DATE 28th November 2017

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