

STATEMENT OF REASONS

Proposed Zebra Crossing – Church Road, Leckhampton, Gloucestershire

Proposals

It is proposed to introduce a new Zebra Crossing on Church Road. The proposals are as follows:

Crossing to be installed:

<i>Type</i>	<i>Road</i>	<i>Location</i>
Zebra Crossing	Church Road (C194)	At a point approximately 23m Southwest of its junction with Hall Road (490607)

Reasons

Gloucestershire County Council is proposing to introduce a zebra crossing on Church Road, Leckhampton near Leckhampton C of E Primary School. The crossing will address pressing safety concerns from residents, Leckhampton C of E Primary School, Ward Councillors and Parish Council members. The scheme is looking to promote a safer journey, increase active travel and promote a more sustainable and safer community environment.

It was identified that there are no controlled crossings in this area resulting in pedestrians relying on gaps in traffic to cross safely, which is challenging for vulnerable road users at peak times where traffic volumes are higher. Pedestrian volumes increase at school drop-off/pick-up times, due to being in close proximity of Leckhampton C of E Primary School, which increases traffic flow and further highlights the need for improved crossing facilities to enhance safety and minimise traffic disruption.

Following the undertaking and analysis of site observations, collision data, traffic data, pedestrian data and feedback from key stakeholders, the proposed location of the zebra crossing aligns with the primary pedestrian desire line. This is proposed to deliver a pragmatic and efficient solution to enhance road safety and accessibility for residents, schoolchildren, and other pedestrians along Church Road representing the most balanced approach, addressing the core safety needs of the community in a financially responsible way.

Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984

The proposal for the Zebra Crossing is made under Section 23 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.

Equality Act 2010

Thorough consideration was given to the equalities duty of the County Council under Section 149 of the Equality Act 2010.

Statutory Consultation

Consultation will be carried out with statutory consultees as part of this statutory notice process, including The Police, Emergency Services, Freight Transport Association, Road Haulage Association and the local County Councillor.