Consultation Report

Grangetown: Avondale Road And Corporation Road Pedestrian Facilities

Project No: CO18185

A consultation was held on the above scheme proposals between 4th January 2019 and 28th January 2019. 4 No. responses were received, 3 of which were in support of the scheme. The concerns and comments received are summarised as below, along with the Council's response.

Recommendation
In view of the below report, it is proposed to proceed with the implementation of the scheme, subject to available funding.

The following comments were received against the proposals

Issue 1 – Speed Table Concerns

Wherever full width speed tables are introduced we always express concern around their profile of them and the ongoing maintenance. Across the city there are many examples where the profiles vary to such a degree that they compromise both our vehicles and quality of ride experience.

The ongoing operation over these restrictions hasten the deterioration of components on the bus and thus incur a higher replacement rate and cost of our operation. They also have a detrimental impact on the ride quality, and this can have a negative impact on the number of journeys customers undertake.

Response

It is acknowledged that there are speed ramps with different gradients across the City and we will try to provide a consistent ramp gradient on all new ramps. In order to provide a comfortable ride for bus passengers, these ramps will be designed with a gradient of 1 in 16, with a minimum distance of six metres between the on and off ramps, which should not cause damage to vehicles if driven over at a suitable speed. We are also using an enhanced road surfacing material both on the table and its immediate approach and departure areas to minimise any change in profile.

Regrettably, speed tables are the only method we have available to slow traffic down. Speed tables are suitable for these locations in order to create a safer highway environment at the pedestrian crossings.
Issue 2 – Drainage concerns

I believe the current issue with flooding on our street should be addressed in order for the proposal to be beneficial to pedestrians.

Response

The drainage provision will be assessed during the detailed design stage, new gullies will be provided as necessary to ensure that adequate highway drainage is provided.

The following are extracts of letters received in support of the proposals

"Just writing to share my appreciation of the proposed crossing on Corporation Rd. It has been needed for a long time as people cross for the bus stops regularly and for residents crossing for general purpose can take a long time due to the traffic off the roundabout, and can often be dangerous as cars try to pull out to overtake the stationary buses without seeing any pedestrians crossing there."

"We are pleased with the proposed traffic management"
Following the recent consultation on a traffic management proposal, the Council is preparing to implement the scheme based on the plan shown. Further details about this consultation are available at www.cardiff.gov.uk/TransportProjects using the ‘view consultations’ link. Alternatively, please e-mail TransportProjects@cardiff.gov.uk or telephone 029 2087 3802 to request a paper copy.