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Consultation Report

Grangetown: Penarth Road Zebra Crossing

Project No: CO18183

A consultation was held on the above scheme proposals between 11th January 2019 and 1st February 2019. 3 responses were received, 2 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 – Cyclist concerns

“If the purpose of the crossing is to facilitate the movement from Dinas Place to Blaenclydach Road the location of the crossing is probably in a good position, however try switching the cycle crossing with the pedestrian crossing so that the cycle crossing is closest to the Blaenclydach Road junction. This would prevent the current proposed situation which means that people using bikes will have to cross people walking which is a designed in conflict that should be avoided.

Presumably you shouldn't be cycling on the pavement there so if the crossing suggests that people can cycle on it in order to start/end your crossing of Penarth Road, the crossing should be designed to direct people on bikes away from the pavement as soon as possible, switching the order of crossing as described above would do this.”

Response

In addition to providing a link for cyclists between Blaenclydach Street and Dinas Place, the crossing will also provide a safe crossing on Penarth Road for cyclists from Blaenclydach Street and from Dinas Place as a link to/from the Taff Trail. However, during the detailed design stage additional surveys shall be undertaken to confirm which the most appropriate position for this cycle facility is.

The footways will become 'shared-use' in the vicinity of the parallel zebra crossing, this will allow cyclists to use the footways. Appropriate warning signs and hazard tactile paving will be introduced in order to highlight the extent of the shared-use area.

Issue 2 – 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.

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

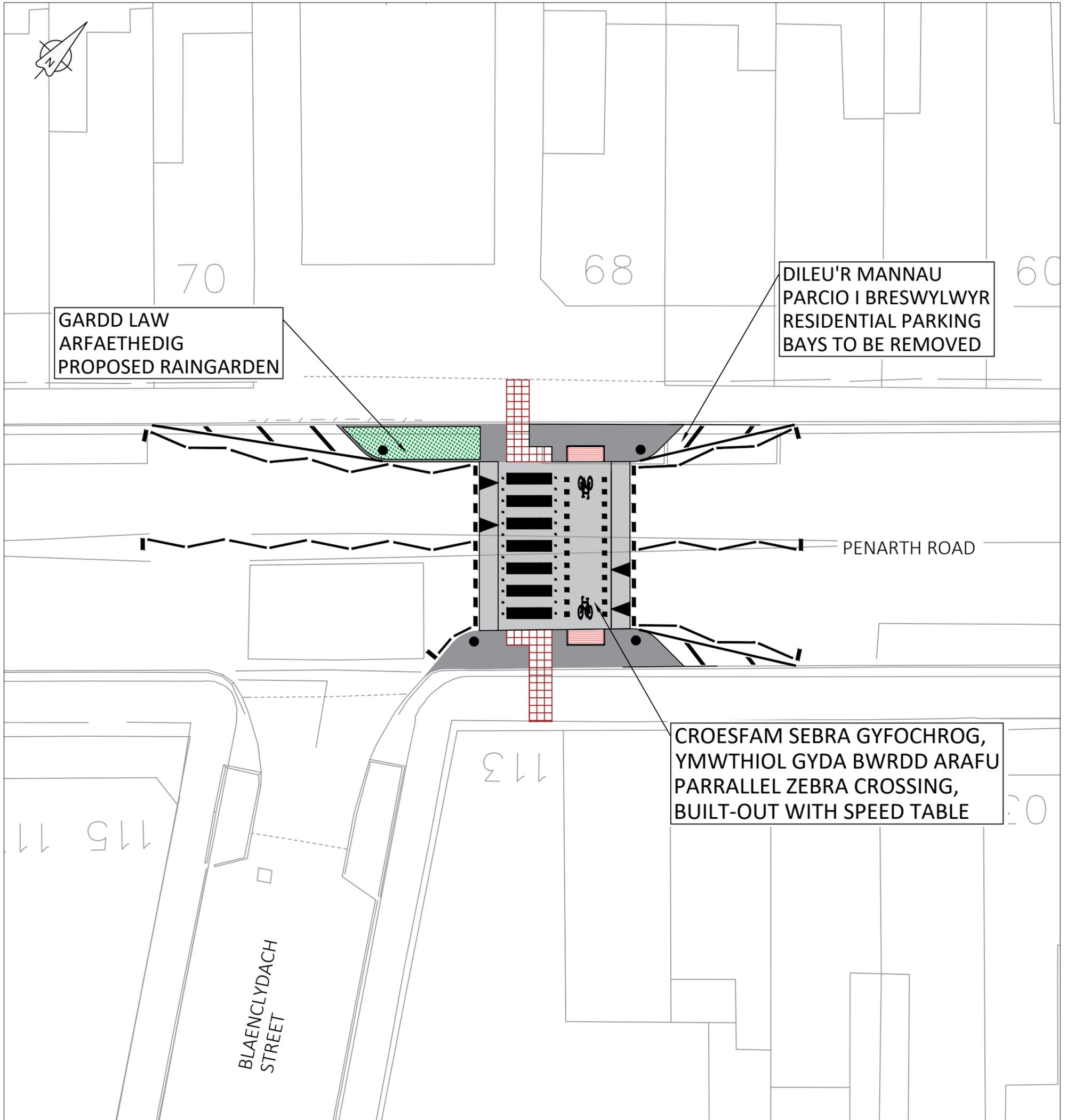
“This will be so useful for my 2 Daughters who risk crossing here to visit friends in Pentra gardens. As well at customers of the shops and restaurants.”

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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.

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