

# **Hamadryad School Safety Zone And Access Improvements** **Consultation Report**

## **Introduction:**

A consultation was held on the above scheme proposals between 23<sup>rd</sup> March and 27<sup>th</sup> April 2018 with the purpose of obtaining information from the local community, in order to improve the scheme and if possible address any local concerns. Four responses were received from members of the public and these have been summarised as follows:

## **Summary of responses received:**

- 4 Do not support the proposals

The comments and Cardiff Councils responses are summarised below. For data protection reasons, the full comments are not shown with only the main observations included. However, the response takes into consideration the full content of the comments received.

In addition to the above, we received feedback from 35 parents and pupils of the school and this feedback has been addressed separately below.

## **Recommendation:**

In view of the feedback received it is recommended that the scheme proceeds, unchanged (see Appendix 1) to implementation, subject to available funding.

## **Concerns / Comments Received:**

The consultation comments are shown in *italics* with Cardiff Councils responses shown in normal print.

### **Comment 1.1:**

#### Initial comments:-

*.....Since the 55 flats were built at the hamadryad the traffic in the area has increased and so has the speeding.*

*You now have a clash of resources/infrastructure in the area ,which has and will , make residents life worse ,you obviously do not care or have little understanding of the damage you have all caused !.....*

#### Additional Letter:-

*WHILST we are pleased with kerb realignment to pomeroy st and drop down corner yellow lines, it appears you have removed all parking at ferry road/hamadryad road which is the overspill area from pomeroy st/hunter st.*

*If this is removed and no zonal parking given to the whole area, we will be worse off overall. What are the proposals on resident parking increase?*

*Every Saturday the football kid parents fill the area with cars including hamadryad road without this parking our streets next to the park will face 7 day a week issues!*

*Some houses in pomeroy st etc have more than one car per household ,how do you propose to accommodate all the cars/vans ,when there is only space for one vehicle per household?*

*There are many unanswered questions that council taxpaying residents need resolving!?*

*We look forward to your support and comments /meeting?*

### **Response:**

Initial comments - These comments have been noted and will be taken into consideration in the delivery of the scheme.

Additional Letter – The reference to parking at the Ferry Road / Hamadryad Road junction has been assumed to be referring to parking at the Clarence Embankment / Clarence Road junction. This parking has been removed in order to ensure that this adopted footway area is safe for pedestrian use to access the school. This parking is not considered to be safe and legal parking. However, the scheme includes to revocation of parking restrictions on Clarence Embankment which will create an additional approximately 4 spaces which will mitigate this loss. The loss of parking is regrettable but the consideration of safety for vulnerable road users (in this instance particularly for school children) must take precedent over the provision of parking spaces.

The issue of resident parking is being dealt with separately and is not an element of this road safety scheme. These comments will be taken into consideration for any decisions made in relation to any resident parking provision in the area.

### **Comment 1.2:**

*..... I wanted to raise that there will be increased use of the entrance/exit to the staff car park area (for the Hamadryad building) as it is also the access point to the proposed staff parking for the school.*

*There is nothing currently preventing Parents driving into the car park (for the Hamadryad building) to drop off/pick up children attending the school. I also have concerns regarding children crossing the entrance/exit to the car park as there is poor visibility to the right on leaving the car for pedestrians crossing the entrance/exit.*

**Response:** The control of traffic into and out of this entrance will be the responsibility of the land owners and the School Service Area and is not part of this consultation. However, the design team has been advised of this concern, and the entrance will be

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designed such that there is an appropriately safe route for pedestrians across the access. This report, and this specific item, will be copied to the Road Safety Audit team and the Schools Service Area for their attention.

**Comment 1.3:**

*.....My comments would be that there appears to be an error on the plan used in terms of trees specifically outside nos 53-49 Pomeroy Street. The tree marked in green which is to remain blew down in a storm last year and has been removed apart from a 3ft stump and the tree which is marked in red for removal was planted not that long ago. Can you please clarify if a new tree is to be put in place of the old tree stump and the young tree on the corner will be removed or if the stump will be removed properly and the young tree will remain? I.....*

**Response:** The issue of the blown down tree has been referred to the maintenance department for their consideration. However, the design team has been advised of the situation and every effort will be made to maximise the number of trees whilst ensuring that road safety is not compromised.

**Comment 1.4:**

*Like you, I was disappointed that the residential parking areas were not on the plans. I too am very keen to be updated on how residents are going to be enabled to park in the street that they live in as this is currently not possible due to the police and staff from businesses parking here. I would like to be provided with clear detail on where the residential parking will be as it is desperately needed and will bring us in line with other residential areas in Cardiff.*

**Response:** The issue of residential parking is not part of this consultation and is being dealt with in a separate process. However, the relevant officers dealing with the resident parking processes has been advised and this report, and this specific item, will be copied to them.

**Comment 1.5: Feedback from School Pupils and Parents**

*Feedback was received from 35 parents and pupils from the school and can be summarised as follows.*

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- **Comment 1.5.1 - Crossing assistance at this junction**  
Response - This is a generic issue which is not specifically related to the layout of the proposed scheme; it is an issue which is dealt with by the Road Safety Education Department. The comments have been passed onto the relevant officers and will also be considered by the design team.
- **Comment 1.5.2 - The crossing on the bridge isn't for bikes, a bike crossing and cycle path here is importance for safety**  
Response - This is a generic issue which is not specifically related to the layout of the proposed scheme; it is an issue which is dealt with by the Road Safety Education Department. The comments have been passed onto the relevant officers and will also be considered by the design team.
- **Comment 1.5.3 - A lollipop person on the crossing as cars coming off the A4232 frequently fail to stop and often exceed speed limit**  
Response - This is a generic issue which is not specifically related to the layout of the proposed scheme; it is an issue which is dealt with by the Road Safety Education Department. The comments have been passed onto the relevant officers and will also be considered by the design team.

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- **Comment 1.5.4** - *That cyclists use the cycle lanes*  
Response - This is a generic issue which is not specifically related to the layout of the proposed scheme; it is an issue which is dealt with by the Policy/Strategy Department. The comments have been passed onto the relevant officers and will also be considered by the design team.
- **Comment 1.5.5** - *Proper cycle routes - proper park and stride spaces*  
Response - This is a generic issue which is not specifically related to the layout of the proposed scheme; it is an issue which is dealt with by the Policy/Strategy Department. The comments have been passed onto the relevant officers and will also be considered by the design team.
- **Comment 1.5.6** - *Improve pavements along river, I cannot get a double buggy down there due to tree roots*  
Response - This is a generic issue which is not specifically related to the layout of the proposed scheme; it is an issue which is dealt with by the Policy/Strategy Department. The comments have been passed onto the relevant officers and will also be considered by the design team.
- **Comment 1.5.7** - *Cycle lanes, zebra crossings*  
Response - This is a generic issue which is not specifically related to the layout of the proposed scheme; it is an issue which is dealt with by the Policy/Strategy Department. The comments have been passed onto the relevant officers and will also be considered by the design team.
- **Comment 1.5.8** - *Street lighting*  
Response - This is a generic issue which is not specifically related to the layout of the proposed scheme; it is an issue which is dealt with by the Street Lighting Department. The comments have been passed onto the relevant officers and will also be considered by the design team.
- **Comment 1.5.9** - *Rail along the bridge, designated cycle/scooter path*  
Response - This is a generic issue which is not specifically related to the layout of the proposed scheme; it is an issue which is dealt with by the Policy, Strategy and Planning Department. The comments have been passed onto the relevant officers and will also be considered by the design team.
- **Comment 1.5.10** - *Easier access to site via car - if possible of a bus - this would reduce traffic going down the 'red zone' A bridge across the river would cut travel time dramatically and make green travel much more accessible*  
Response - This is a generic issue which is not specifically related to the layout of the proposed scheme; it is an issue which is dealt with by the Policy and Strategy Department. The comments have been passed onto the relevant officers and will also be considered by the design team.

## **Appendices**

Appendix 1 – Site Notice 2 – Scheme Plans (Post Consultation)

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