

Post Consultation Report

Pen-y-Lan Road/Colchester Avenue – Installation of Pedestrian Phase on a signalised junction.

Project No: CO19049

A consultation was held on the above scheme proposals between 13th December 2019 and 3rd January 2020, although any correspondence that was received shortly after the deadline were also included. The purpose of the consultation was to obtain information from the local community in order to improve the scheme and if possible address any local concerns.

From the approximately 100 properties consulted and 4 site notices displayed on site, 11 individual responses were received, these have been summarised as follows:

- 1 objection to the proposal
- 10 support the proposal

The concerns and comments are summarised as below, along with the Council's response in italic.

Recommendation

In view of the below it is proposed to **proceed** with the proposal subject to available funding.

The scheme will install a signalised pedestrian crossing at the junction which is not currently available. The proposal will provide pedestrian crossing facilities which will improve overall road safety in the area for all road users.

The below are comments received during the consultation period that are against the proposal:

Issue: Installation of a pedestrian crossing will have a negative effect on road safety

- Visibility splays are poor for the proposed crossing for pedestrians on Colchester Avenue. The resident is concerned that pedestrians who cross the road will not be able to see vehicles (and vice versa) who turn left onto Colchester Avenue from Pen-Y-Lan Road.
- There is a Fire Station on Colchester Avenue. Fire engines travelling to an emergency, and needing to turn left on to Penylan Rd will sometimes use their sirens to come through this junction on red.

It is agreed that visibility for pedestrians crossing is restricted by the adjacent boundary wall. The proposed crossing will be placed close to Pen-y-Lan Road and the footway will be widened in order to maximise inter-visibility for pedestrians and motorists.

The pedestrian green man is an 'invitation to cross', pedestrians still need to check that the road is safe to cross. The sharp left hand turn will inhibit vehicle speeds and increase reaction time for drivers and pedestrians should conflict occur.

- Visibility splays are poor for the proposed crossing for pedestrians on Pen-Y-Lan Road, south of the junction. The objector is concerned that pedestrians who cross the road will not be able to see vehicles (and vice versa) who turn left onto Pen-Y-Lan Road from Colchester Avenue.

The concept design illustrates that the footway will be widened, and the pedestrian crossing has been sited to ensure that it is clearly visible from the vehicle stop line on Colchester Avenue. The kerbline will be built out, this will inhibit vehicle speeds and increase reaction time for drivers and pedestrians should conflict ensure.

- "There is a well-used bus stop on this block, outside number 115, serving three routes. At certain times of the day, particularly at the end of the school day when the students of St David's College on Ty Gwyn Rd pour out as many as three or even four buses can be lined up behind this bus stop. It is not uncommon for them to clog the junction, which would mean buses trapped on this particular pedestrian crossing, and young people trying to weave across the road around a stationary double-decker. Everybody's view of everything is obstructed at times like this. If the pedestrian lights are showing green the young people may feel entitled to cross □ but it will not be SAFE for them to cross."

Rule 191 of the Highway Code states that you MUST NOT park on a pedestrian crossing. Bus service providers have been consulted on these proposals, and have not raised any concerns regarding the new layout affecting the operation of their services.

Issues – Lane changing

- Issue with drivers who travel southbound Pen-Y-Lan Road, changing lanes and causing a potential accident.

This could potentially occur under the current road layout, and we are not proposing to make any changes to the layout of the lanes. We have reviewed the Police injury-collision database and can confirm that there have been no reported injury-collisions in the last five year period

Issue – Vehicle speeds

- Vehicles speeding on Pen-Y-Lan Road/Colchester Avenue.

The Council will shortly be consulting on extending the 20mph scheme in the Pen-Y-

*Lan area as part of our strategic implementation of speed limit changes.
Implementing a 20mph speed limit will help to create a safer highway environment.*

Issue – Signal staging/phase

- Please retain the right turn arrow from Pen-y-lan & left turn arrow from Colchester Rd and also install an all red pedestrian phase

These issues have been modelled on computer software during the development of the scheme. It is anticipated that the pedestrian crossing will operate under an 'all red' phase and the left-turn and right-turn arrows will be maintained.

Issue – Car parking

- Cars are parked at the junction of Boleyn Walk/Pen-Y-Lan Road and blocking visibility splays

It is unfortunate that this arises, regrettably, there are not currently funds available for a Traffic Regulation Order at this location as part of this scheme. These concerns have been forwarded to the Traffic Regulation Order team for future review at this area.

The below are comments received during the consultation period that support the proposal:

“I would like to support the proposals.”

“The Colchester Ave /Penylan Hill pedestrian crossing facilities plan is long overdue and very welcome.”

“I am delighted to read of the new proposals for Penylan Road and Colchester Avenue that myself and others have been fighting for.”

“I welcome and support the proposed pedestrian crossings at Penylan Road/Colchester Avenue.”

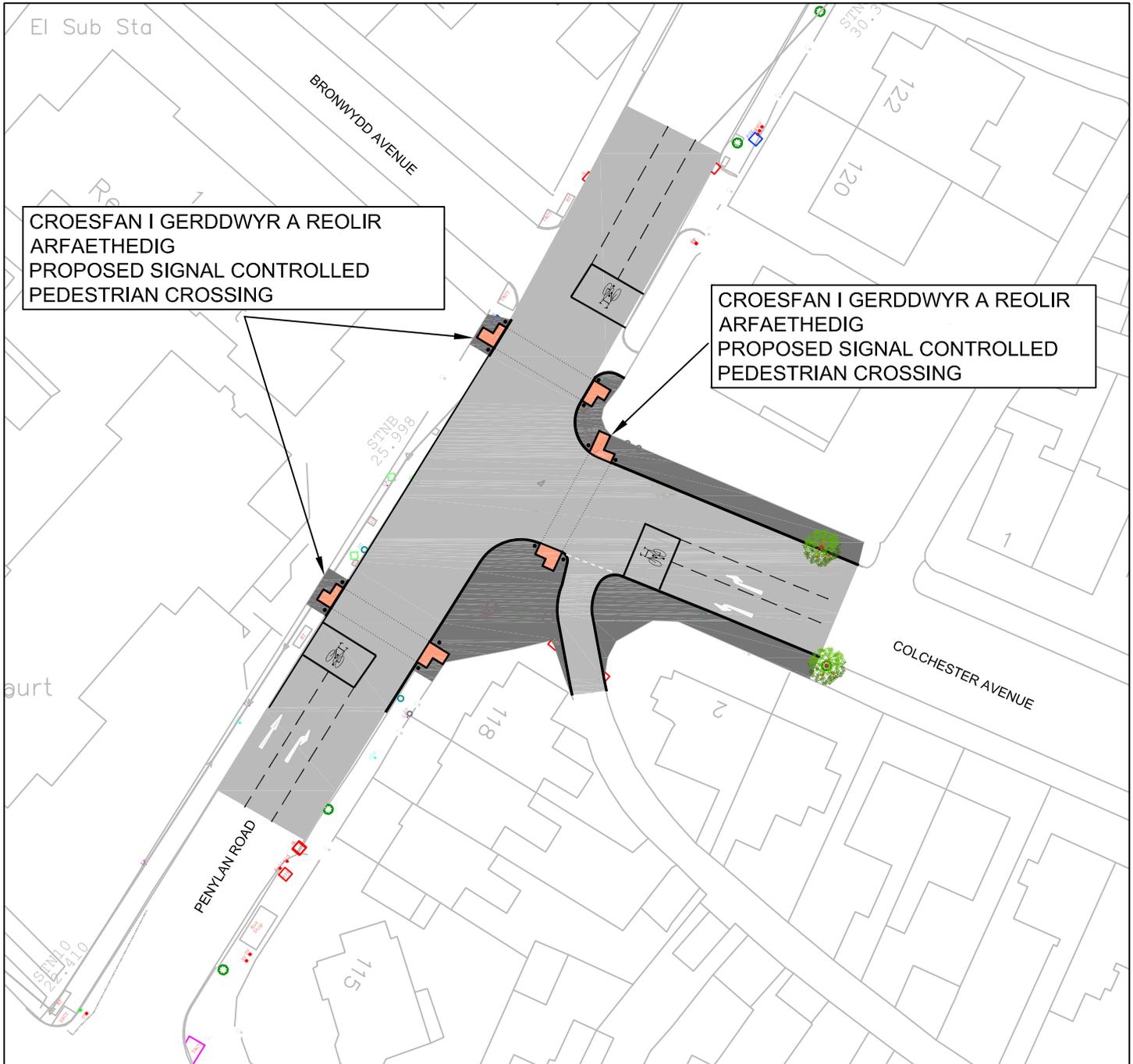
“I welcome the proposed changes to the highway at the junction of Colchester Avenue and Pen-Y-Lan Road.”

“I am writing to support the excellent plan to introduce pedestrian crossing facilities at the Pen-y-lan Road/Colchester Avenue junction.”

“As residents of Colchester Avenue we support the proposal.”

“As a user of this route several times a day, pedestrian crossing facilities at Pen-y-lan Rd /Colchester Ave junction is an excellent idea.”

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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 Cardiff.gov.uk/TransportProjects using the 'view consultations' link.

