

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**Executive Decision Record**

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Economy, Transport and Environment
Date:	7th October 2013
Title:	Project Appraisal: Yew Tree Drive Bus Gate Opening Trial and Mitigation Measures in Burr ridge, Swanwick, Park Gate and Whiteley
Reference:	5181
Report From:	Director of Economy, Transport and Environment

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1. The decision:

- 1.1. That the Yew Tree Drive bus gate be opened on a trial basis to allow a 3 month assessment of traffic impacts to be carried out.
- 1.2. That measures to mitigate the effect of the trial opening of the Yew Tree Drive bus gate be constructed along Yew Tree Drive, Sweethills Crescent, Botley Road and Swanwick Lane. The measures are to be delivered at a cost of £284,609.52, to be funded from developers' contributions.

2. Reasons for the decision:

- 2.1. To respond to the positive outcomes of the public consultation exercise, ending on 17 February 2013, regarding the trial opening of the bus gate on Yew Tree Drive.
- 2.2. To support the trial opening of the Yew Tree Drive bus gate by mitigating for the expected increase in traffic volume on Yew Tree Drive and the surrounding road network.
- 2.3. To increase the safety of pedestrians by providing five new crossing points: a toucan crossing, two pedestrian refuge islands and two uncontrolled crossing points.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1. The feasibility report considered a number of different options, some of which needed further justification before they could be implemented. If following the

trial the bus gate is opened permanently and there is sufficient justification for further mitigation, the options listed below may be scheduled for delivery.

New controlled crossing on Yew Tree Drive, near Sweethills Crescent.

Traffic calming scheme – Curbridge Village and a nearby junction.

3.2. Options investigated in the feasibility report, which were found not to be viable:

Traffic calming build outs on Botley Road North.

Reclassification of Botley Road A3051, downgrading from an A-class road.

4. Conflicts of interest:

4.1. Conflicts of interest declared by the decision-maker: None.

4.2. Conflicts of interest declared by other Executive Members consulted: None.

5. Dispensation granted by the Conduct Advisory Panel: none.

6. Reason(s) for the matter being dealt with if urgent: not applicable.

7. Statement from the Decision Maker:

7.1. Councillor Woodward declared a non-pecuniary interest as the Leader of Fareham Borough Council and spoke and voted thereon.

7.2. Councillor Woodward also noted the representations received from members of the public regarding this Decision and requested that officers investigate the possibility of introducing a pedestrian safe crossing point on Yew Tree Drive, in addition to the proposed new school crossing patrol.

Approved by: ----- Executive Member for Economy, Transport and Environment Councillor Seán D T Woodward	Date: 7 October 2013
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