



Officer Decision Report

Date:	03/10/2025
Title:	A4154 Woodside Road Safety Scheme
Cabinet Member(s):	Cllr Thomas Broom (Deputy Leader and Cabinet member for Transport), Cllr Steve Bowles (Cabinet Member for Communities)
Ward Member(s):	Cllr Mark Roberts, Cllr Dominic John Pinkney, Cllr Kelly Thornton
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Ward(s) affected:	Amersham & Chesham Bois
Decision:	Approval to proceed to Statutory Consultation for the introduction or amendment of raised controlled crossings, flat top humps and implementation of a permanent Traffic Regulation Order for the parking restrictions at A4154 Woodside Road and Plantation Road, Amersham.
Reason for decision:	For avoiding harm to people or other traffic using the road or nearby areas or preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising, for facilitating the passage on the road or any other road for all types of traffic (including pedestrians) and for preserving or improving the amenities of the area through which the road runs.

1. Background

- 1.1** The A4154 Woodside Road in Buckinghamshire has been identified as a route with a high collision rate. This 1.4 km section, from the roundabout at Raans Road to the junction with Sycamore Road in Amersham, saw eight road traffic injury collisions between 2018 and 2022. The number of collisions has remained consistent over these five years, and no changes have been made to the road environment during this period. A significant number of these collisions involved vulnerable road users.

1.2 Woodside Road is an important urban road that connects to Chesham. It passes through residential areas, schools, a leisure centre, and is the main route to the railway station. There is also a shopping area nearby in the centre of Amersham. The road is a single carriageway with one lane in each direction and has a speed limit of 30 mph. On average, about 9,900 vehicles travel on this road daily, with average speeds of 29 mph and the 85th percentile speed at 34.5 mph.

1.3 The consultation aims to reduce the severity and risk of personal injury through the design and implementation of measures.

1.4 The extent of implementation of proposals and the type of proposal to be proposed are shown in table below.

Table 1- Road name and type of Proposal

Road Name	Type of Proposal/Restriction
Woodside Road (In the vicinity of 193 Stockbridge)	Proposed raised controlled zebra crossing
Woodside Road (Outside House no. 88)	Existing controlled zebra crossing to be upgraded as raised controlled zebra crossing
Plantation Road junction with Woodside Road	Uncontrolled crossing with flat top hump
Woodside Road (in an easterly direction from outside No.160-162) & (In a westerly direction from Acre wood nursery school)	Revocation (Removal) of No Waiting at Any Time (Double Yellow Lines – 24/7)
Woodside Road (in an easterly direction from outside No.164-168) & (In a westerly direction from outside No.191-193) & (in an easterly direction from outside No.84) & (In a westerly direction from outside No.119)	Revocation (Removal) of No Waiting between Monday and Friday between the hours of 11am and 12pm (Single Yellow Line)
Plantation Road junction with Woodside Road	Proposed No Waiting at Any Time (Double Yellow Lines – 24/7)

2. Authority to take this decision

2.1 The Council scheme of delegation is contained within the Council's constitution.

3. Other options available, and their pros and cons

3.1 Any other options considered would also involve a Statutory Consultation process.

4. Local Councillors & Community Boards consultation & views

4.1 All local members and Amersham Town Council were informed of the proposals via email on 05th September 2025 and have received their initial feedback on the scheme.

5. Feedback from Local Members

5.1 Table 2 below shows the responses received from Ward Members.

Table 2- Comments from Ward Members

Comments from Ward Members	
Consultee	Comments
Amersham Town Council	"The comments I have had back are very positive for this project."
Cllr Mark Roberts	"Cllr Roberts and I do not have any issues with this. I understand Amersham Town Council are collating feedback from the town councillors and will email you and I am just awaiting confirmation as to whether Cllr Pinkney would like to raise anything."
Cllr Kelly Thornton	
Cllr Dominic John Pinkney	"Many thanks for this, I do not have any comments to add about the proposed plan."
Cllr Steve Bowles	"Thanks for sending this through I have no queries."

6. Financial & Legal Implications

6.1 The scheme is fully funded by Buckinghamshire Council's Network Safety Team.

6.2 Traffic Regulation Orders are made under the provisions of Sections 1, 2 and 4 for the Road Traffic Regulation Act (RTRA) 1984.

6.3 Buckinghamshire Council as the local Highway Authority and while having regard to the matters specified in Sections 90A-90F respectively of the Highway Act 1980, have proposed to introduce a raised table.

6.4 Section 23 of the RTRA 1984 Power of local traffic authorities with respect to pedestrian crossings.

6.5 Section 122 of the RTRA 1984 places a duty on Buckinghamshire Council to secure the expeditious, convenient, and safe movement of vehicular and other traffic (including pedestrians), on its highway.

6.6 Regulation 14 of the Local Authorities' Traffic Orders (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulation 1996 states that an order making authority may modify an order, whether in receipt of any objections or otherwise, before it is then made.

6.7 When the decision is taken and recommendations agreed, a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) will be made. Correspondents to the consultation and those who will likely be affected will be informed of the decision taken.

6.8 If approved, this key decision will be the authority for Buckinghamshire Council to 'make' as well as publicise the TRO and advertise a Notice of Making in the local press in accordance with the Local Authorities' Traffic Orders (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulations 1996.

7. Your questions and views

7.1 If you have any questions about the matter contained in the paper, please get in touch with the Contact Officer whose email address is given at the head of the paper.

8. Background Papers

8.1 Appendix A – Woodside Road Consultation Plan

8.2 Appendix B – Responses from Local Members

Approval Signature

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Dave Roberts', with a stylized, cursive script.

Dave Roberts

Head of Highways

Date: 14/10/2025