

Petition requesting a pedestrian crossing or central refuge in Crescent Road, Royal Tunbridge Wells

A report by the County Council's Traffic Schemes & Member Highway Fund Manager to the Tunbridge Wells Joint Transportation Board on 20 April 2015.

Background

This report follows the receipt of two petitions by Kent County Council that were organised by Mr Richard Pooley of St Augustine's Church. These petitions, paper and Internet based contained a total of 1,027 respondents and were discussed at the January 2015 meeting (TB33/14). The area where a crossing point has been requested is on the A264 Crescent Road, this road runs generally east/west between Carr's Corner and the junctions of Church Road/Mount Pleasant Road.

The location where the crossing point/refuge has been requested is in the immediate vicinity of several vehicle accesses to/from the multi-story car park, Calverley Park and Calverley Park Crescent. This area is clearly going to limit the options available for such facilities to be provided due to the need to maintain unobstructed access.

There may however be some scope to further explore the feasibility options for a central traffic separator island and/or kerb build-out in the immediately west of St Augustine's Church, or if this is not practicable then look at the option to provide a new refuge between this point and the existing one near to Calverley Terrace.

Recommendation

Kent County Council request that the Board note this report and endorse a dialogue with the local County Councillor for the area should there be options available to fund this work.

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