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**ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984**  
**PEDESTRIAN CROSSING - B4534 PURTON ROAD, PURTON**

**Purpose of Report**

1. To consider two comments and one objection in connection with the proposed PUFFIN crossing on Purton road, Purton, adjacent to residential area known as Moulden View (see **Appendix 2**).

**Relevance to the Council's Business Plan**

2. To encourage resilient communities by facilitating links between residential areas.

**Background**

3. Planning permission for the second tranche of the residential area, known locally as Moulden View, included a Section 106 Agreement securing a 'light controlled crossing' on the adjacent B4534 Purton Road to facilitate movement between Moulden View and the new residential area known locally as Ridgeway Farm. This also allows for access to a shared use path on the northern side of Purton Road, facilitating pedestrian access into Swindon.

**Main Considerations for the Council**

4. The provision of a pedestrian crossing on the B4534 Purton Road will help pedestrians wishing to walk between Moulden View and the facilities on the new Ridgeway Farm development. The main objection to the proposal is in relation to the possible effect on the functionality of the Mustang Way junction and the ease of exit from the junction. The Council's traffic team has fully considered the impact of a crossing at the proposed location in relation to the potential effect on the operation of this junction. The location of the crossing has been chosen to allow for acceptable forward visibility for drivers approaching both the crossing and the Mustang Way junction. It was concluded that the vehicles waiting at the crossing will not have an impact upon the junction.

**Safeguarding Implications**

5. Not applicable.

**Public Health Implications**

6. The crossing will encourage pedestrian movement, especially in relation to school access, helping to promote a healthier means of travel.

### **Corporate Procurement Implications**

7. Not applicable.

### **Environmental and Climate Change Considerations**

8. The introduction of a crossing will help to encourage residents to use more sustainable methods of transport for local journeys, helping to remove vehicles from the road network and in turn reducing emissions.

### **Equalities Impact of the Proposal**

9. Though the introduction of a crossing may lead to a small amount of vehicle delay on Purton Road, it will provide a safe location to cross this B Class road, encouraging residents to walk.

### **Risk Assessment**

10. Not applicable.

### **Financial Implications**

11. All costs associated with the advertising, processing and implementation on site is to be met by the developer.

### **Legal Implications**

12. There are none.

### **Options Considered**

13. To:
- (i) Implement the proposals as advertised.
  - (ii) Not implement the proposals.
  - (iii) Implement the proposals with amendments.

### **Reason for Proposal**

14. The introduction of a PUFFIN crossing (built to accommodate a change to a TOUCAN crossing when required) will provide a safe means of crossing Purton Road for residents of Moulden View. The crossing will facilitate pedestrian access to the new school and access to bus stop facilities on the new Ridgeway Farm development.

### **Proposal**

15. That the proposals be implemented as advertised.

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**The following unpublished documents have been relied on in the preparation of this Report:**

None