

APPENDIX 3 – Comments and Officer Response

Ref	Comments received in support of proposal	Officer Response
1.	<p>Evening</p> <p>I just read the proposals for crossings on stickleback road and lickhill and traffic calming on honeysuckle.</p> <p>I have good knowledge of all areas. I moved from Nightingale way just off Stickleback road to Honeysuckle Close and my children attended school on Duncan street and walked every day so crossing the lickhill roundabout was a daily part of our commute.</p> <p>In terms of stickleback, my son plays football at beversbrook. We used to walk there every week. I am also a runner regularly using the bypass. I don't think I have ever had a difficulty crossing that road with small children using the half way islands. It isn't even a game of patience. I think this proposal is a waste of tax payers money.</p> <p>Lickhill road on the other hand, is very difficult to cross especially at school times and I used to meet my child at the roundabout to cross him or ask him to cross the other side of the road where it was quieter. I think there is much more foot traffic here as it is a main route to town and the schools so support this proposal.</p> <p>Traffic calming on honeysuckle. If you have driven into that road you will realise that it isn't possible to turn in at excessive speed. The bypass is busy. Turning out you have to wait. Turning in you have to full stop on the slip turning right and from left you can't take it at speed due to the camber. I fail to see what benefit the measure would have. My house is directly on this road further up from the junction and in the main I do not believe there is a speed issue. My children play safely. I would also query whether</p>	<p>The proposal at Stickleback Road, School Road and Honeysuckle Close are proposed to form safety improvements along the existing pedestrian and cyclist corridor.</p> <p>The proposal at Stickleback Road forms part of this proposal, giving priority to those pedestrian and cyclists, while separating the pedestrians and cyclists from each other by way of a parallel crossing. The inclusion of this crossing type is also expected to reduce vehicle speed exiting the roundabout, improving the opportunity to cross at this location.</p> <p>Your comments of support for the School Road/Lickhill Road improvements are noted.</p> <p>While the proposal at Honeysuckle Close appears to be traffic calming in nature, this raised table is included to improve accessibility and useability of the crossing. The raised table in combination with a tightened entry kerb alignment is designed to enforce the priority pedestrians and cyclists have over the road users.</p> <p>Measures to address the bypass carriageway conditions are also being progressed under a separate scheme.</p>

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	<p>it is wise to construct on the road while the bypass is subsiding. The repair on Newbury has already crumbled away. Funds would be better spent on fixing that, which is a pedestrian trip hazard and then dealing with the roller coaster of a bypass. Has any investigation actually been done on the speed of traffic on the road? I really think there are other areas that would benefit over this one.</p> <p>Kind Regards</p>	
<p>2.</p>	<p>Hi,</p> <p>I have seen your post on Facebook with regards to traffic calming measures.</p> <p>I think it would be good to have something just past the roundabout as you come out of High Penn Park estate (on the right hand side). There is currently an island there but in the summer when the bushes grow, you can't see any traffic coming down, with the speed being 40mph, they also drive quite fast down this road.</p> <p>I have added a red X on the picture attached for reference.</p> <p>Regards</p>	<p>Your comments are noted but do not appear to relate to the order in question.</p>
<p>3</p>	<p>Good evening,</p> <p>Having looked at the proposals for crossings on School Road and Stickleback Road, my opinion is that both of the proposed crossings are too close to the roundabouts and the proposed locations are dangerous to both drivers and pedestrians.</p> <p>Regards,</p>	<p>The proposal at Stickleback Road, School Road and Honeysuckle Close are proposed to form safety improvements along the existing pedestrian and cyclist corridor.</p> <p>The decision to position the proposed crossing at this location aligns with current highway standards. This considers the desire lines of the facility users while maintaining space for a single vehicle on the exit of the roundabout, avoiding any blocking back.</p>

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4	<p>Concerns about the impact on the flow of traffic and safety of pedestrians and cyclists.</p> <p>It is likely that there will uncertainty over right of way on the crossing which could increase the risk of accidents of vehicles turning left or right into School Road or Stickleback Road then encountering</p> <p>No evidence had been provided which suggests that the volume of walkers and cyclists at this location would warrant a crossing in any other circumstances.</p> <p>If the issue is speed of traffic why is the speed limit not being reduced.</p>	<p>The safety of pedestrians and cyclists is improved by use of a familiar formal crossing type. The crossing shall improve clarity over rights of way with increased visibility to the crossing location.</p> <p>It is expected that the introduction of this crossing will increase the use of this existing facility.</p> <p>Speed is not considered a significant risk at this location due to the proximity to the junctions.</p>
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