

NON-KEY DECISION TAKEN BY A CABINET MEMBER UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY

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Title of report: Lingfield Road-Facilitate contra-flow cycling

Reason for exemption (if any) – N/A

Decision maker

Councillor Martin Whelton, **Cabinet Member for Housing, Regeneration, & the Climate Emergency**

Date of Decision

6 September 2021

Date report made available to decision maker

06th September 2021

Decision

Having considered the representations received during the statutory consultation, I approve officer's recommendation to proceed with the implementation of the proposed contraflow cycle scheme.

Reason for decision

There is evidence that this is already used by cyclists and to continue to facilitate the needs and the safety of cyclists and to encourage active travel, it would be a positive action to legalise the contraflow use of the one- way system by cyclists.

I have also read the safety audit which did not raise concerns and whilst noting residents' concerns, also note that the support of Merton Cycling Campaign for the proposal and that the use of contraflows are widespread across the country.

Alternative options considered and why rejected

To abandon the proposal. There is no doubt that cyclists will continue to use this road in contravention of the one way system and not to address this would mean not addressing the current risk to cyclists and other road users. This option would do nothing to facilitate the safety and needs of the cyclists.

Documents relied on in addition to officer report

N/A

Declarations of Interest

N/A

Signature

Cllr Martin Whelton

6 September 2021

Publication of this decision and call in provision

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