# ENVIRONMENT AND COMMUNITY SAFETY OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

# Agenda Item 17

**Brighton & Hove City Council** 

Subject: Pedestrian Crossings

Date of Meeting: 13 September 2010

Report of: Acting Director of Strategy and Governance

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Wards Affected: All

# FOR GENERAL RELEASE

# 1. SUMMARY AND POLICY CONTEXT:

1.1 During discussion on the annual work plan, ECSOSC on 21 June 2010 asked for information on 'Pedestrian Crossings.' This report provides a summary of the assessment of potential sites for crossings and the criteria used.

# 2. RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 2.1 That Members:
  - (1) Consider the attached report
  - (2) Decide if any scrutiny action is needed.

# 3. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 3.1 The main questions asked by ECSOSC concerned: prioritisation of locations for pedestrian crossings and funding for new crossings.
- 3.2 Appendix 1 to this report shows the process used to assess requests for pedestrian crossings in the form of a flow chart.
- 3.3 The criteria used to assess the provision of a crossing and the choice between pelican/puffin/toucan and zebra crossings are based on detailed measurements and calculations of volumes of pedestrian- and vehicular- traffic, accident record, types of pedestrian, and site characteristics.

3.4 These include whether a central refuge is provided, whether the site is at an existing traffic signal junction, the geometrical layout and visibility, approach speed of vehicles, whether a high percentage of blind or partially sighted pedestrians will use the crossing and whether a high number of pedestrians will be crossing which, with a Zebra crossing, could cause undue delay to vehicular traffic.

# 4. CONSULTATION

4.1 No consultation has been carried out on this report for information.

# 5. FINANCIAL & OTHER IMPLICATIONS:

# Financial Implications:

5.1 None identified directly in relation to this report for information.

# Legal Implications:

5.2 None identified directly in relation to this report.

# **Equalities Implications:**

5.3 None identified directly in relation to this report.

# Sustainability Implications:

5.4 None identified directly in relation to this report.

# Crime & Disorder Implications:

5.5 None identified directly in relation to this report.

# Risk and Opportunity Management Implications:

5.6 None identified directly in relation to this report.

# Corporate / Citywide Implications:

5.7 The Council's approach to Pedestrian Crossings is included in the report.

### SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

# Appendices:

1. Flowchart showing assessment of potential sites for Pedestrian crossings

# **Background Papers**

None

# Agenda Item 17 Appendix 1

# PEDESTRIAN CROSSING ASSESSMENT

