

08 January 2021

Dear Sir/Madam,

## RIDGEWAY CONNECTIONS (B1365 STOKESLEY ROAD TO WOODLEA FOOTPATH/CYCLEWAY SCHEME): PUBLIC CONSULTATION EXERCISE

As set out in the Middlesbrough Integrated Transport Strategy, Middlesbrough Council is committed to increasing the number of local journeys made on foot and by cycle. Reducing the current dependence on the private car for such journeys will reduce congestion, improve air quality and contribute towards the social and economic regeneration of the Borough.

To achieve this objective, the Council is investing in new pedestrian and cycle infrastructure designed to provide safe and convenient routes between residential areas and local facilities such as shops and schools. One of the residential areas included in this programme is Hemlington Grange which, because of its location to the south of Stainton Way and the west of B1365 Stokesley Road, is poorly connected to the footpath and cycleway network.

In order to address this situation, it is proposed to construct a new footpath/cycleway link from the existing traffic signal-controlled crossing facility at the junction of Stokesley Road and Hemlington Grange Way to the existing footpath/cycleway between Woodlea and Ridgeway, and an additional light controlled signal crossing on Stainton Way to the west of the Stokesley Road roundabout.

The new link will connect Hemlington Grange to the existing pedestrian and cycle network serving Coulby Newham, thereby allowing journeys between the two communities – including to the Parkway Centre, the Rainbow Centre, The King's Academy and Rose Wood Academy – to be made safely on foot and by cycle.

As an occupier of one of the properties or one of the potential users who live in the vicinity of the proposed footpath/cycleway, I would welcome your views on the proposal. I would, therefore, be grateful if you could contact me either via e-mail at transportconsultation@middlesbrough.gov.uk or by 'phone on (01642) 728383 with the following information by **Friday 12 February 2021**:

- Your name;
- Your address;
- Whether you are in favour of the proposed scheme; and
- Whether you have any additional comments about the proposal.

Please find attached a schematic plan where you will see how the proposed Ridgeway connection route will connect into the foot and cycle network, and also the site of the proposed light controlled crossing on Stainton Way.

There is also an additional site plan showing the route of the proposed Ridgeway connection footpath/cycleway.

All responses received by this date will be taken fully into account when a decision is made on whether to proceed with the proposal.

Please note all residents who responded to the original consultation exercise in November 2020 your comments will be taken fully into account during the expanded consultation, and there is no need for you to comment again unless you wish to make any further comments.

I look forward to hearing from you. If you have any queries about the proposed scheme, or if would like to discuss the proposals in more detail, please contact me, either via e-mail at transportconsultation@middlesbrough.gov.uk or by 'phone on (01642) 728383.

Yours faithfully,

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