



PORTFOLIO HOLDER FOR HOUSING, INFRASTRUCTURE AND TRANSPORT

18th December 2025 at 3.30pm

Present

Councillor S Swinburn (in the Chair)

Officers in Attendance:

- Eve Richardson-Smith (Head of Law and Governance)
- Sophie Pickerden (Committee Support Officer)
- Paul Evans (Assistant Director – Infrastructure)
- Martin Lear (Head of Highways and Transport)
- Anthony Snell (Traffic and Transport Manager)
- Richard Dowson (Head of Project Management)

Others in Attendance:

- Councillor Humphrey (Scarcho Ward Councillor)

There were two members of the public and one member of the press in attendance at the meeting.

PH.HIT.29 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence for this meeting.

PH.HIT.30 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest from the Portfolio Holder in respect of any items on the agenda for this meeting.

PH.HIT.31 MINUTES

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the Portfolio Holder for Housing, Infrastructure and Transport meetings on 22nd October and 14th November 2025 be agreed as a correct record.

PH.HIT.32 RESPONSE TO PETITION – PEGASUS CROSSING ON THE A18 UPDATE

The Portfolio Holder considered a report responding to the petition requesting the introduction of a Pegasus crossing on the A18.

Miss Pickerden read out a statement on behalf of the lead petitioner, Ms Brown.

Ms Brown was pleased that the Council had carried out a further survey this year which showed a significant rise in the number of users crossing over the A18 to connecting bridleways. She understood the cost of a Pegasus crossing had to be compared with other road safety issues. Ms Brown referred to Section 1.8 in the Design Manual that stated that “Pegasus crossings shall not be provided where the 85th percentile speed is over 50 mph”. Ms Brown commented that this was the petitioners’ point, that the road was too fast to be able to cross safely. She referred to Section 2.1 and wrote that the risk might be classed as minimal, but the risk was still there, and she could assure the portfolio holder that a collision, especially with a horse, was catastrophic. Ms Brown urged the portfolio holder to at least consider reducing the speed limit as has been done at the Barnoldby le Beck roundabout. She wrote that this would give both users and drivers more time to calculate crossing over.

The portfolio holder stated that the council did take safety issues as a priority but not everything could be approved. He said that whilst cost did come into it, cost was not more important than safety, but a Pegasus crossing was not seen as a way forward at present. The portfolio holder asked officers to keep an eye on the speed limit and any further developments that would impact the situation. He stated that he would like officers to keep the situation under review, regarding any accidents or issues, but would approve the recommendations as set out in the report.

RESOLVED – That following consideration of the new usage data collected in August 2025, the request to install a formal Pegasus crossing across the A18 be rejected.

PH.HIT.33 RESPONSE TO PETITION - REDUCE SPEED LIMIT AND ADD PEDESTRIAN CROSSING ON GRIMSBY ROAD, WALTHAM

The Portfolio Holder considered a report responding to the petition requesting that the speed limit be reduced and that a pedestrian crossing be introduced on Grimsby Road, Waltham.

Mr Parkin spoke as the lead petitioner. He said that he was disappointed by the report but did understand that officers had to follow rules. Mr Parkin couldn't understand why the reduction to the speed limit had been objected to as there would be no cost involved other than the removal of signs and would only add twelve seconds to the journey. He stated that most residents were in support of the petition and people did struggle with getting in and out of their properties in a vehicle. Mr Parkin said that the Planning Committee had approved for more houses to be built in the area, which would add to the issues with traffic. He said that whilst he knew that hadn't been many accidents, the traffic was increasing. Mr Parkin asked the portfolio holder to keep the situation under review and approve the 30mph speed reduction as it wouldn't cause much inconvenience to people and would make the road safer.

Councillor Humphrey spoke as a Ward Councillor for the Scartho Ward. He said that he wasn't aware that any consultation had been undertaken with Scartho residents. Councillor Humphrey said that he wanted to raise the issue of the bus stop location as it was one of the worse positioned bus stops, was on a junction and if the speed limit was being reviewed, he would like to see the bus stop reviewed. He had previously raised this issue a few years ago but was informed by Equans that it was not a priority. Councillor Humphrey said that what the petition had unveiled was that as more properties were being built in the area, there was an argument to reduce the speed limit, and that tipping point might be now. He said that he understood the officer's recommendation but would like the decision deferred and for the bus stop to be looked at as well. Councillor Humphrey said that the traffic would increase with new developments, so he would like to see the speed limit reviewed again as well as a review of the bus stop. He asked if a date to review could be scheduled as he didn't want the issue to be kicked into the long grass.

The portfolio holder asked officers to respond to Councillor Humphrey about the issues raised regarding the bus stop. Mr Lear sought clarification that it was the bus stop located on the junction with Fairway. Councillor Humphrey responded that that was correct. Mr Lear stated that the location was chosen due to the requirement for a bus shelter and it was the only suitable location available as there were issues with other locations regarding visibility. Mr Lear said that

they had received no recent complaints about the location. The portfolio holder sought clarification that there was no reason that we should want to move the location of the bus stop. Mr Lear said that there wasn't at the moment, but it could be reviewed should any future issues arise.

The portfolio holder said that he took on board the points raised about new developments in the area and that things would change. He said that at this time, he was going to approve the officer's recommendations but would ask officers to review the situation when any changes in the area occur, such as new developments or if any accidents occur.

RESOLVED –

1. That the existing 40mph speed limit on the B1203 Grimsby Road between Scartho and Waltham be retained.
2. That the request for the introduction of a controlled crossing on the B1203 Grimsby Road near to the junction with Woodland Way be rejected.

PH.HIT.34 TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER 25-19A MARKET STREET CLEETHORPES – VARIOUS RESTRICTIONS

The Portfolio Holder considered a report requesting formal consideration of the objection to the Traffic Regulation Order for Market Street, Cleethorpes, including an addendum to the report. Mr Dowson explained that the addendum was to remove Osbourne Street as officers wanted to revise some of the technical elements for that. Mr Dowson stated that he felt that officers had addressed the issues raised by Councillor Aisthorpe and the other objector.

RESOLVED – That approval be granted for the sealing of Traffic Regulation Order 25-19A (Market Street, Cleethorpes), amended to remove any restrictions relating to Osborne Street (Waiting, Loading & Restricted Parking Zone) (No.25-19A) Order 2025. All other restrictions, as shown indicatively on the plans at Appendix 1-4 to the report now submitted, to be introduced without amendment.

There being no further business, the Portfolio Holder closed the meeting at 3.47pm.