



Desborough Town Council

Terms of Reference Road Changes Working Party

Introduction

The Council formed the Working Party to make progress towards the Highway Authority's consideration and implementation of changes to the town's road network specifically around the two identified problem areas of:-

- Gladstone Street / Nichols Street; and,
- Gold Street / B576 Rothwell Road

The Council notes that Highway Authority (Northamptonshire County Council or its successor) is required by law to conduct formal consultation irrespective of the outcome of any work undertaken by or on behalf of the Town Council and is the body responsible for any works to be undertaken to the roads network.

Purpose of the Working Party

The purpose of the Road Changes Working Party is to consider and to make recommendations to the Council as follows:-

1. To identify, quantify, and produce a productive consultation exercise relating to the proposed one-way system on Gladstone Street and Nichols Street.
2. To consider the previous plans for the Gold Street / B576 Rothwell Road junction and recommend how the Council should prepare and proceed with the project.
3. To consult with residents and businesses in the relevant parts of the town to gain an understanding of their issues and needs.
4. In liaison with the relevant bodies in Northamptonshire County Council and other stakeholders, produce a plan for the road network that will best address the traffic management issues experienced.
5. To deliver the consultation plan to the Council and seek approval for its implementation.
6. To manage the collation and analysis of the responses and create a report for the Town Council, Northamptonshire County Council, residents and other stakeholders.

Membership

The Working Party comprises four Councillors and at least two voting non-Councillor members of the community resident in areas covered by the Working Party's terms of reference who shall be appointed by the Council.

Discussions

The nature and operation of the Working Party will allow for the free flow of ideas and information and will report the outcome of discussions and make recommendations to the Council for any decisions.

Code of Conduct and Interests

All members of the Road Changes Working Party are required to make disclosures of public interest and observe the Code of Conduct adopted by Desborough Town Council.

Quorum and Voting

The quorum is three members of the Working Party including at least one Councillor and at least one member of the community, present and voting. Voting will be by show of hands.

Frequency of Meetings

The Working Party will meet as and when necessary.