

Spaces for People project – Findings of review approved, after division – Instruction to officers.

4 With reference to the minutes of 4th June 2020 (Print 7, page 587) approving the acceptance of £3.5m of Spaces for People funding from Sustrans and agreeing that all temporary measures implemented under this scheme should be evaluated with a view to making them permanent where possible and with full local consultation and that a further report be submitted to the appropriate committee evaluating where this was possible before any relevant Temporary Traffic Regulation Orders and other temporary measures expired, Councillor Richardson, City Convener for Sustainability and Carbon Reduction, presented a report regarding the outcome of an independent review into the Spaces for People project, advising

- (1) of a summary of the findings of the independent review of the Spaces for People project, with the full report being attached as an appendix to the report;
- (2) that the independent review had recommended the measures that should be removed, retained or made permanent and in most instances the task required to support these measures would be primarily undertaken by the promotion of a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) through a statutory process under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984;
- (3) that in order for the Spaces for People measures to become permanent infrastructure, the TRO process required to commence as soon as possible, with a proposed timeline being as detailed in the report;
- (4) that the Council had been successful in securing £799,000 of funding from Sustrans, the Scottish Government's Spaces for People fund administrator, for the works required to support permanence or to remove measures, however this funding was timebound and required to be utilised and claimed in the financial year 2021/22; and
- (5) that several works contracts would be required to be prepared and procured in order to upgrade elements of the Spaces for People infrastructure such as drainage at bus stops and this process could only be progressed once the TRO process had been concluded.

Councillor Richardson, seconded by Councillor Aitken, moved that the committee

- (a) approve the findings of the independent review of the Spaces for People measures within Glasgow; and
- (b) instruct officers to progress
 - (i) the necessary Traffic Regulation Orders via the statutory process to support permanence, as detailed in the report; and
 - (ii) the necessary works contracts to support permanence of measures.

Bailie Thornton, seconded by Bailie Aibinu, moved that the committee

- (A) note the findings of the independent review of the Spaces for People measures within Glasgow;
- (B) approve the proposals to retain/remove installations, as detailed in the report and review, except for the following:-
 - Braidcraft Road Pop-Up Cycle Lane;
 - Brockburn Road Pop-Up Cycle Lane;
 - Cumbernauld Road Pop-Up Cycle Lane;
 - Great Western Road Pop-Up Cycle Lane;
 - Provanmill Road Pop-Up Cycle Lane;
 - Royston Road Pop-Up Cycle Lane; and
 - Wallacewell Road Pop-Up Cycle Lane;
- (C) agree that the above installations would not be made permanent and should be removed by the end of this calendar year; and
- (D) instructs
 - (I) the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability to carry out a consultation with the local community and stakeholders around the Hawthorn Street Pop-Up Cycle Lane and following this process to bring a paper back to this committee for a final decision to be taken on whether to retain or remove this installation;
 - (II) officers to progress the necessary Traffic Regulation Orders via the statutory process to support permanence where noted under section 4 of the main report, excluding the installations noted above; and
 - (III) officers to progress the necessary works contracts to support permanence/removal of measures.

Councillor Murray, seconded by Councillor Cunning, moved as a further amendment that the committee continue consideration of the matter for another 2 meetings.

On a vote being taken by calling the roll, 2 members voted for the amendment by Bailie Thornton, 8 for the amendment by Councillor Murray and 13 for the motion, which was accordingly declared to be carried.