Record of Delegated Executive Decision(s)

1. Subject of decision

Traffic Regulation Order – Proposed timed pedestrian and cycle zone restriction ('School Street' scheme) at Martin Road, between Howdon Lane and Elizabeth Road

2. Name and Title of Decision Maker

John Sparkes, Director of Regeneration and Economic Development

3. Details of any Conflict of Interest and any Dispensation granted in respect of such Interest

None

4. Executive summary

The attached report seeks approval by the Director of Regeneration and Economic Development to make a permanent Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) for the introduction of a timed pedestrian and cycle zone restriction ('School Street' scheme) at Martin Road, between Howdon Lane and Elizabeth Road. This would replace the current 18-month Experimental Traffic Regulation Order which is due to expire at the end of April 2025.

5. Alternative Options considered

Option 1

To approve the recommendations as set out in paragraph 1.2 of the report.

Option 2

Not to approve the recommendations as set out in paragraph 1.2 of the report.

Option 1 is the recommended option.

6. Decision(s)

The Director of Regeneration and Economic Development has agreed:

- that notices for the proposal to make a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) for the introduction of a timed pedestrian and cycle zone at Martin Road in Howdon should be prepared and advertised in line with relevant statutory requirements; and
- (2) that in the event that no objections are received during the period of consultation required by s legislation, and that the circumstances do not warrant the holding of a Public Inquiry to make the Traffic Regulation Order outlined in the attached report.

7. Reasons for the Decision(s)

The proposal will discourage indiscriminate and obstructive parking and large traffic volumes outside the school gates, thereby improving road safety for all road users. It may also facilitate more sustainable trips to Stephenson Memorial Primary School

8. Date Decision Made

5 March 2025

9. Is this decision subject to call-in and if so expiry date of call-in period

Yes, the call-in period expires at 5.00pm on 19 March 2025

10. Date of Publication

12 March 2025		

11. Implementation Date (if decision not called in)

After 5.00pm on 19 March 2025