

**MAIDSTONE BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**COUNCIL**

**13 APRIL 2022**

**NOTICE OF MOTION - PROVISION OF ZEBRA CROSSING ON TONBRIDGE ROAD, MAIDSTONE, CLOSE TO THE JUNCTION WITH BEVERLEY ROAD**

Notice of the following motion has been given by Councillor Harper, seconded by Councillor M Rose:

***Tonbridge Road is not an easy road to cross except at zebra and traffic light-controlled crossings. There is a request by residents for a new zebra crossing by the junction of Beverley Road and Tonbridge Road.***

***Their request is due to there being bus stops on either side of the road and also it is a place to cross the road to access the Beverley Road shops and Barming Primary School. The current situation is not satisfactory; the Fountain/Hermitage Lane junction does not have a pedestrian phase long enough for old and disabled people and also parents with small children to cross safely. In the opposite direction the next crossing point is at North Street, Barming.***

***Residents believe that the solution is to create an additional zebra crossing with a pedestrian refuge on Tonbridge Road, close to where Beverley Road comes out, as a low-cost solution to the issue.***

***A petition has been signed by a significant number of residents in the local neighbourhood.***

***This Council therefore resolves to support the residents' backed proposal for a zebra crossing with a central pedestrian refuge to be provided on Tonbridge Road, Maidstone close to the junction with Beverley Road.***

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Council Procedure Rule 18.7 states that every motion must be relevant to the Council's powers or duties or to a matter which affects the Borough.

The provision of zebra crossings is the responsibility of Kent County Council as the Highway Authority. It is not a District Council function. It is therefore the intention that the motion, having been moved and seconded, and debated if Members so wish, be referred to the Joint Transportation Board.