

Cambridgeshire County Council Record of Executive Decision
Decision taken by Traffic Manager in consultation with the local Member

Title of decision	B1040 Hilton - Consider an Objection to Proposed Prohibition of Heavy Commercial Vehicles
Date decision taken	14 th February 2022
Decision maker	Sonia Hansen (Traffic Manager) in conjunction with County Councillor Douglas Dew
Is this a key decision?	No
Is the decision subject to call in?	No
Details of decision taken	<p>Having reviewed details of the proposed (full time) prohibition of heavy commercial vehicles (HCVs) and taking into account the consultation process and written objection received, the Traffic Manager and County Councillor decided that the proposal should be implemented as published.</p> <p>The objectors will be informed of the outcome accordingly.</p>
Reasons for taking decision	<p>The report was presented to the meeting to allow officers to explain the proposals. The concerns raised were discussed in detail and the following summarises the main conclusions:-</p> <p>The one written objection was withdrawn before the meeting took place. However, correspondence was received from two companies who operate HCVs in the general area and who are opposed to the proposed restriction. Their objections were received outside of the statutory objection period, but their concerns about the impact on their businesses were discussed.</p> <p>The two haulage companies use the B1040 through Hilton on a daily basis and expressed concerns that the weight restriction will result in additional business mileage, fuel usage and an increase in CO² emissions. This has to be balanced with concerns expressed by Hilton residents about the air pollution caused by HCVs travelling through their village.</p> <p>The haulage firms are also concerned that they were not consulted on this proposal. It is not possible for the Council to individually consult the large number of companies whose vehicles might choose to use the B1040 through Hilton. The Council consulted freight trade organisations in accordance with statutory procedures and no responses were received on this occasion.</p> <p>In summary, traffic data indicates that approximately 1,000 HCVs per week use the B1040 through Hilton. There is clear support for the proposed restriction from local people, Hilton Parish Council and elected Members. Since the current overnight HCV ban was introduced, the road network has been improved and better alternatives now exist. Hence, it seems reasonable to give Hilton the same full time protection from HCV traffic that surrounding villages enjoy.</p>
Options considered	Please see above – ‘Reasons for taking decision’.
Details of any conflict of interests declared	No conflicts of interest.

Details of any disclosable pecuniary interest or non-statutory disclosable interest declared	No pecuniary interests or non-statutory disclosable interest declared.
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Signature of decision maker (if appropriate)
