

Installation of Zebra Crossing at Springfield Green, Chelmsford

STATEMENT OF REASONS:

A request was received in October 2014 by the Chelmsford Local Highway Panel (LHP) to install pedestrian crossing facilities on Springfield Green between its junction with Old School Field and Exeter Road. The result of a survey on pedestrian flow at this location supported the installation of a zebra crossing.

A zebra crossing design was undertaken for the LHP in 2018-19 and investigations into the land use/ownership at this location were made. As an area of Town/Village Green was identified for use in the scheme, a Land Deregistration application was made and was completed in June 2020.

Originally a location at the bottom of the bridge was considered, however the visibility and sightlines did not meet the criteria needed. The proposed location was then moved about 30m away from the bridge, this ensures adequate visibility distances and therefore a safer stopping distance for vehicles coming over the bridge.

The final layout of the proposal has also been safety audited and the proposed zebra crossing was commissioned for implementation by the LHP in 2020-21.