

**REPORT TO:** CABINET MEMBER – TECHNICAL SERVICES

**DATE:** 10 FEBRUARY 2010

**SUBJECT:** Willard Street and Glynne Street, Bootle and Hertford Road, Bootle - Section 116, Highways Act 1980.

**WARDS AFFECTED:** LINACRE AND LITHERLAND

**REPORT OF:** R S WALDRON – ASSISTANT DIRECTOR TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT

**CONTACT OFFICER:** D. MARRIN – TRAFFIC SERVICES MANAGER – Ext. 4295  
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**EXEMPT/ CONFIDENTIAL:** No

**PURPOSE/SUMMARY:**

To seek approval for the Legal Director in conjunction with the Director of Planning and Economic Regeneration to make various stopping up applications as detailed in the report to the Magistrates Court under provisions of section 116 of the Highways Act 1980 following the respective applications under section 117 of the Highways Act 1980..

**REASON WHY DECISION REQUIRED:**

Cabinet Member authorisation is required before seeking an order from the Magistrates Court. The application will enable the redevelopment of the areas and extinguish areas of highway, which are considered unnecessary.

**RECOMMENDATION(S):**

That : -

The Cabinet Member authorises the Director of Planning and Economic Regeneration and the Legal Director to request the Magistrates to extinguish/stop-up the following areas of highway under Section 116 of the Highways Act 1980 as detailed within the report and shown upon the attached plans numbered DC0546, DC0547 and DC0548 subject to the applicant bearing all costs associated with the application: -

- Willard Street and Glynne Street, Bootle and associated passageways leading therefrom. (DC0546)
- Part of Hertford Road fronting 43-78, Bootle and associated passageways leading therefrom. (DC0547)

**KEY DECISION:** No

**FORWARD PLAN:** No

**IMPLEMENTATION DATE:** Following the expiry of the 'call in 'period for the minutes of the meeting.

**ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS:**

There are no alternative options

**IMPLICATIONS:**

**Budget/Policy Framework:** None

**Financial:** The applicant will meet the legal and administrative cost of the proposals.

<b><u>CAPITAL EXPENDITURE</u></b>	<b>2009 2010 £</b>	<b>2010/ 2011 £</b>	<b>2011/ 2012 £</b>	<b>2012/ 2013 £</b>
Gross Increase in Capital Expenditure	N/A			
Funded by:				
Sefton Capital Resources				
Specific Capital Resources				
<b><u>REVENUE IMPLICATIONS</u></b>				
Gross Increase in Revenue Expenditure				
Funded by:				
Sefton funded Resources	No			
Funded from External Resources	Yes			
Does the External Funding have an expiry date? No	When?			
How will the service be funded post expiry?				

**Legal:** Yes

**Risk Assessment:** None

**Asset Management:** None

**CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN/VIEWS**

None

**CORPORATE OBJECTIVE MONITORING:**

<b><u>Corporate Objective</u></b>		<b><u>Positive Impact</u></b>	<b><u>Neutral Impact</u></b>	<b><u>Negative Impact</u></b>
1	Creating a Learning Community		✓	
2	Creating Safe Communities	✓		
3	Jobs and Prosperity	✓		
4	Improving Health and Well-Being		✓	
5	Environmental Sustainability		✓	
6	Creating Inclusive Communities		✓	
7	Improving the Quality of Council Services and Strengthening local Democracy		✓	
8	Children and Young People		✓	

**LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS RELIED UPON IN THE PREPARATION OF THIS REPORT**

None

**SECTION 116 HIGHWAYS ACT 1980 – VARIOUS LOCATIONS AS DETAILED BELOW**

**1.0 Information / Background**

- 1.1 Applications have been received from the Programme Manager Housing Market Renewal Initiative, Sefton Council for the stopping-up of areas of highway within the Borough, as shown upon the attached plans numbered DC0546, and DC0547.
- 1.2 The stopping-up applications relate to a areas of highway, which is considered unnecessary and which would be expedient for the Council to make an application to the Magistrate Court on the basis that there are at present or will be, a reasonable suitable alternative in place.
- 1.3 The justification/reasons for making the applications to the Magistrates Court are as follows;
- 1.4 The stopping-up of the highways in question will facilitate the demolition and redevelopment of the area (Willard Street, Glynne Street, and part of Hertford Road) to enable the construction of a new housing layout as part of the HMRI programme within Sefton. The existing properties are predominantly vacant whilst awaiting demolition and new properties will be served by a new conventional highway layout with gardens, driveways etc. In due course the Highway Authority will adopt the newly constructed roadway
- 1.5 The Ward Councillors have been notified in respect of the application and have made no comment to-date.

## **2.0 s116 Highways Act 1980 Procedure and Magistrates Court Hearing**




- 2.1 Under Section 117 of the Highways Act 1980, a person desiring a highway to be stopped-up may request the Highway Authority (in this case the Council) to make an application to the Magistrates Court for a stopping-up Order. If the request is granted the Council may as a condition, require the person to pay such costs, as it deems reasonable in connection with the application.
- 2.2 The Council must give 28 days notice of the Court Hearing specifically to adjoining owners/occupiers and statutory undertakers and in addition, must publish notices in a local newspaper, the London Gazette and also display a site notice.
- 2.3 Any person who receives the notice referred to above, or uses the highway or who would be aggrieved by the stopping-up, has a right to be heard at the Court Hearing of the application.
- 2.4 The Court may make the stopping-up Order if it appears that the highways are unnecessary for the public for the sort of lawful purposes for which the public could be reasonably expected to use that particular way. If there is evidence of such use the Court will need to be satisfied that the public are, or are going to be, provided with a reasonably suitable alternative way. If the Court makes the Order, its effect is to end the right of the public to use it as a highway.
- 2.5 It is considered in the case of the application detailed within this report, that it is appropriate for the stopping-Up Order to be requested from the Magistrates Court under s116 of the Highways Act 1980, for the reason outlined above.

**Andy Wallis**  
**Director of Planning and Economic Regeneration**



<b>SEFTON M.B.C.</b>	<b>Stopping-up of Public Highway - Section 116 Highways Act 1980</b>			
	<b>Willard Street and Glynne Street, Bootle and associated passageways leading therefrom.</b>			
Public highways to be stopped-up shown as:	<b>Drawn By: MAH</b>	<b>Scale: nts</b>	<b>Date: 26/01/10</b>	<b>Checked: BAM</b>
<b>Ward: Litherland</b>	<b>OS: n/a</b>		<b>Plan: DC0546</b>	
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