



DELEGATED OFFICER DECISION NOTICE

SERVICE AREA:	Operations and Neighbourhoods PLACE
SUBJECT MATTER:	ROAD SAFETY CAMERA REPLACEMENT SCHEME
DECISION:	That it be DETERMINED that approval be granted to the installation of new average speed cameras to replace the old spot speed camera on A627 Oldham Road Ashton, by Safer Roads Greater Manchester Partnership.
DECISION TAKER(S):	Julian Jackson
DESIGNATION OF DECISION TAKER (S):	Director of Place
DATE OF DECISION:	24 July 2024
REASON FOR DECISION:	The spot speed camera that was previously in position had reached its end of life and formed part of Transport for Greater Manchester's (TfGM) camera replacement programme. The decision to upgrade that camera to a series of three average speed cameras was taken by TfGM in partnership with GM Police. The reason for the upgrade was in response to speeds of vehicles and in support of the GMCA Vision Zero approach to road safety.
ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS REJECTED (if any):	If consent is not given, no cameras to control speeds of vehicles will be installed on Oldham Road Ashton.
CONSULTEES:	GM Police
FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:	There are no financial implications for the Council. All associated costs will be funded by Transport for Greater Manchester.
LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:	None, provided the cameras are positioned overtly and safely.
CONFLICT OF INTEREST:	None
DISPENSATION GRANTED BY STANDARDS COMMITTEE ATTACHED:	N/A
ACCESS TO INFORMATION:	Not Confidential
BACKGROUND INFORMATION:	The background papers relating to this report can be inspected by contacting, Jody Hawkins, Highways Manager  Telephone: 0161 342 2932  E-mail: jody.hawkins@tameside.gov.uk

Signed..... **Julian Jackson, Director of Place** Dated: 24 July 2024

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REPORTING OFFICER:	Emma Varnam, Assistant Director of Operations and Neighbourhoods
REPORT SUMMARY:	The report outlines why the average speed cameras are replacing the old spot speed camera on Oldham Road Ashton.
RECOMMENDATION:	That consent be given to the placement of the three average speed cameras on Oldham Road Ashton.
JUSTIFICATION FOR THE DECISION:	The spot speed camera that was previously in position had reached its end of life and formed part of Transport for Greater Manchester's (TfGM) camera replacement programme. The decision to upgrade that camera to a series of three average speed cameras was taken by TfGM in partnership with GM Police. The reason for the upgrade was in response to speeds of vehicles and in support of the GMCA Vision Zero approach to road safety.
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1. INTRODUCTION

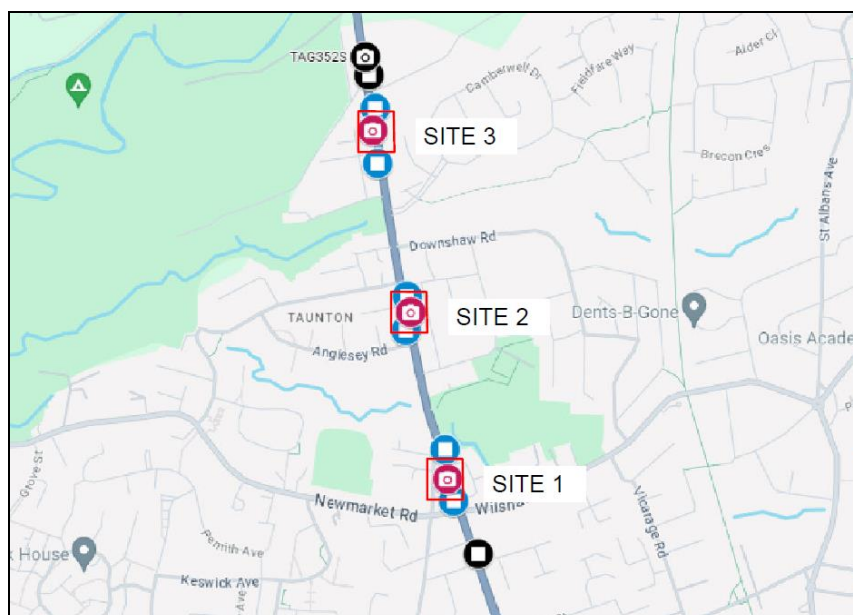
- 1.1 The spot speed cameras that GM Police use to enforce speed contraventions in Greater Manchester have come to the end of their life span and need to be replaced. They function on 'wet film' which can neither be bought or the method of developing be sustained.
- 1.2 To continue to have remote speed enforcement, the camera housing and cameras need to be replaced borough wide.
- 1.3 GM Police manage the cameras but do not fund their installation or purchase.
- 1.4 TfGM have identified funding to carry out this scheme and have been replacing the cameras all over the borough, like for like, albeit with upgraded digital cameras.
- 1.5 Greater Manchester is in the process of adopting a Vision Zero approach to road safety. The ambition is for Greater Manchester to have zero fatalities and life changing injuries on our roads by 2040 whilst increasing safe, healthy, equitable mobility for all.

2. AVERAGE SPEED CAMERAS

- 2.1 Oldham Road, Ashton had a spot speed camera near to its boundary with Oldham which has now been decommissioned.
- 2.2 Historically, there have been many reports of speeding vehicles on the length of Oldham Road and the old camera could only cover a small length of monitoring due to its range.
- 2.3 Average speed cameras are designed to be enforceable over a longer length, thereby proving to be more effective in terms of speed reduction and safety.

3. PROPOSAL

- 3.1 TfGM wish to replace the defunct camera with three average speed cameras, which will be used to cover one long length of Oldham Road thereby extending the effectiveness of the camera and reducing the appeal of the road to speeding drivers.
- 3.2 Location of cameras and associated signage on Oldham Road, Ashton.



3.3 The introduction of the average speed cameras will support the Vision Zero approach to road safety.

4. FUNDING

4.1 TfGM will carry out the works via a contractor and will fund the project in its entirety.

5. RECOMMENDATIONS

5.1 As set out at the front of the report.