

# REPORT TO ENVIRONMENT AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE

## ROUNABOUT FEATURES

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### 1.0 BACKGROUND

At the April committee meeting, the committee discussed options for reinstating/installing new features on the town's roundabouts. It was noted that the roundabouts at Canute Place and Chelford Road previously had deer features in the centre; at Canute Place it was a moss stuffed deer which was originally from a RHS Tatton show garden, the frame was damaged, and it was removed when last sent for re-stuffing. The Chelford Road roundabout had a small metal deer silhouette, this was lost in a road traffic collision.

In April, it was resolved to explore further options for features on roundabouts including investigating sponsorship and since then Cllr Watson has had discussions with a local chainsaw carver about options for a feature which is discussed below.

### 2.0 OPTIONS

There are three main options for a deer feature:

Option	Detail	Budget Cost
1	Moss and willow deer (similar to previous Canute Place feature)	£500
2	Metal silhouette (similar to previous Chelford Road feature)	£125
3	Chainsaw carving	£2,000-£5,000

The cost of a chainsaw carving will vary depending on what is proposed. The examples provided were £2,000 would be a stag's head on a plinth, £3,000 a fallow deer laying down, £4,000/5,000 a standing deer. The provision of wood and installation would also have to be considered – a larger installation would likely require traffic management and more involved installation which would add significant further costs.

The reinstatement of any features would be subject to permission from Cheshire East Highways. This may incur a licence fee (c. £250 per roundabout), but it may be possible to circumvent this by working with ANSA who maintain the planting areas and highlighting that a feature in Canute Place was shown on the approved s278 scheme.

### 3.0 DECISIONS REQUIRED

The committee is request to give further direction on which option(s) it would like to pursue, for which roundabouts and whether it wishes to fund them from the street furniture budget or to seek sponsorship/crowdfunding.