

Stourbridge Area Committee - 16th November, 2009

Report of the Area Liaison Officer

Responses to Questions

Purpose of Report

1. To inform the Committee of written responses made to questions asked at a previous meeting.

Background

2. At a meeting of this Committee held on 2nd September, 2009, it was indicated that written replies would be sent to the questioners on the following questions:
3. A member of the public raised concerns requesting consideration of a pedestrian crossing facility to be installed across the Foster Street East section of the Stourbridge Ring Road. In response, the Group Engineer, Traffic and Road Safety has written to the questioner advising that a crossing in the vicinity of Foster Street East would not be safe for pedestrians because of the large number of vehicle movement and the complicated lane changes by drivers. Such a scheme would not pass the requisite safety audit. Extensive pedestrian crossing facilities were designed and introduced several years ago at a safe location on the Ring Road, near to Hagley Road, Church Street and High Street, as a crossing could not be safely located near the Stourbridge Bus Station. The Group Engineer, Traffic and Road Safety also advised that improvements to the subway facilities servicing the bus station might be included under the current proposals for improvements to the Stourbridge Bus Station.

Finance

4. There are no direct financial consequences arising from this report.

Law

5. Section 111 of the Local Government Act, 1972 enables the Council to do anything that is calculated to facilitate or is conducive or incidental to the discharge of its functions.

Equality Impact

8. The report takes into account the Council's Policies on equality and diversity.

Recommendation

9. The Committee is recommended to note the contents of this report.



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List of Background Papers:

Question slips handed in at previous meetings of the Stourbridge Area Committee.
Correspondence sent in response by Council Officers.