

Stourbridge Area Committee - 20th February 2011

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 17th October 2012, it was indicated that written replies would be sent to the questioners on the following questions:
- 3. A member of the public referred to concerns that loose gravel from the front drive of the electricity sub station in Walker Avenue, Stourbridge, was all over the public footway and carriageway. A Member of the Committee expressed the same concerns regarding a similar problem at the electricity sub station in Drew Road, Pedmore, Stourbridge.
 - The Group Engineer, Traffic and Road Safety had written to the Power Company, requesting that they consider replacing the present surfaces at both electric sub stations with solid parking places in tarmacadam or concrete for their maintenance vehicles to be parked on.
- 4. A member of the public repeated his concerns as to why apprentices at Dudley College could not repair the gates at Mary Stevens Park and stated he had received a letter from the Principal of the College stating that a Dudley Metropolitan Borough Council Officer had informed them that this was specialist work.

The Assistant Director, Culture and Leisure had written to the questioner advising again that the Stourbridge Area Committee has agreed the restoration of the Grade 2 listed features as part of the wider bid to the HLF for Parks for People funding. He also advised that once a Project Manager was in post, it was the intention for the Manager to explore the opportunities for collaborative working with either/or both Stourbridge and Dudley Colleges. At this stage he does not want to do anything that might compromise the Stage 2 bid by reducing the scope of the

work as it could be detrimental to the partnership funding proposed which could reduce the overall grant received.

Finance

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

Law

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

Equality Impact

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

Recommendation

10. 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.