

DUDLEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

BRIERLEY HILL AREA COMMITTEE – 7TH JULY 2005

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE URBAN ENVIRONMENT

BRIERLEY HILL SUSTAINABLE ACCESS NETWORK

1.0 PURPOSE

- 1.1 To consult and seek the committees comments on the proposed detailed planning application for the Brierley Hill Parallel Route and Waterfront Way Link as part of the Brierley Hill Sustainable Access Network scheme.

2.0 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 At its meeting of 17th March 2004 the Executive approved the Brierley Hill Sustainable Access Network scheme and outline planning consent was granted on 25th October 2004 for the new sections of carriageway, namely the Brierley Hill Parallel Route and the Waterfront Way Link.
- 2.2 An application for detailed planning approval for these new sections of carriageway is due to be submitted in July 2005 for consideration by the development Control Committee in August/September.
- 2.3 Plans to be submitted will be displayed at the meeting.
- 2.4 Also on display for information purposes will be draft proposals for the improvements to Brierley Hill High Street in line with the DTZ Master Plan together with proposed junction improvements at Pensnett Road/Bryce Road, Pensnett Road/Hickman Road and Bank Street/High Street/John Street.

3.0 PROPOSAL

- 3.1 That the area committee consider the proposed detailed planning application and provide comments by 15th August 2005.

4.0 FINANCE

- 4.1 The Capital programme includes £1.7m for development costs associated with the scheme.

5.0 **LAW**

5.1 The Council is empowered to improve Highways under section 62 of the Highways Act 1980.

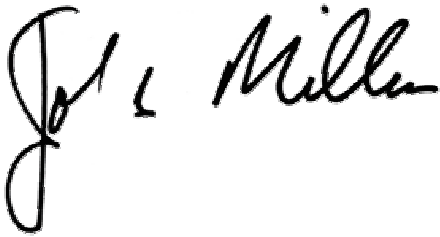
5.2 Section III of the Local Government Act 1972 empowers the Council to do anything which is calculated to facilitate or is conducive to or incidental to the discharge of its functions.

6.0 **EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES**

6.1 Improved access for public transport will support the Councils policy on equal opportunities.

7.0 **RECOMMENDATION**

7.1 That the Area committee agree the proposals as set out under section 3 above.



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