

**Report of the Director of the Urban Environment
Cradley/Windmill Hill Local Centre Regeneration Plan**

APPENDIX 1 – Progress on implementation of the Implementation Plan

Short term Actions (1-2 years; 2007/9)

Action		Status
Improvements to footways and streetscape	✓	<i>Works carried out in 2009 using Capital programme funding</i>
Improvements to pedestrian links to the town centre from the surrounding residential areas.	✓	<i>Works carried out in 2009 using Capital programme funding</i>
Provision of cycle parking in the local centre		<i>Order placed for cycle parking August 2010</i>
Review local bus services and customer needs in consultation with TWM	✓	<i>A borough wide bus review was implemented in April 2008</i>
Redesign of bus stop/layby adjacent to nos. 28 to 40 Windmill Hill.	✓	<i>Measures investigated but rejected on safety grounds</i>
Provision of loading facilities for shops at top of Windmill Hill	✓	<i>Proposals investigated but rejected following public consultation</i>
Exploration of possible options or designs for visual gateway treatments at each end of Windmill Hill in the vicinity of the existing signalised crossing facilities	✓	<i>Works carried out in 2009 using Capital programme funding</i>
Short term measures to improve Toys Lane junction	✓	<i>Measures investigated but rejected on safety grounds</i>
Short term improvements to the existing public car parks	✓	<i>Works carried out in 2009 using Capital programme funding</i>

Medium term Actions (2 - 5 years; 2009/12)

Action		Status
Possible development at Sites 1,2 and 3		<i>Extensive liaison has taken place with Dudley Infracare LiftCo, Methodist Church, landowners and potential developers to bring development forward; Development Brief completed for Foredraft Street and land is being brought forward for development</i>
New key public space on open space adjacent to Methodist Church		<i>Section 106 Open Space and Public Realm funds are being pooled for future use on this area</i>
Introduction of small public spaces with seating and public art along Windmill Hill		<i>Section 106 Open Space and Public Realm funds are being pooled for future use on this area</i>
Shop front improvements particularly at protected frontages and run down properties		<i>Opportunities exist for improvements via the Council's Empty Shopfronts Grant scheme</i>
Improvements to public space associated with rights of way footpath		<i>Section 106 Open Space and Public Realm funds are being pooled for future use on this area</i>
Improvements to the approved circular cycle route and links to the centre		<i>Funding to be identified before this can be progressed</i>
Zebra or puffin controlled crossing on Windmill	✓	<i>Proposals rejected following public</i>

Hill opposite Methodist Church		<i>consultation</i>
Provision of raised entry treatments on Highfield Road, Two Gates Lane, Foredraft Street and Maple Tree Lane		<i>Funding to be identified before this can be progressed</i>
New partnership arrangement with TWM associated with the improvements		<i>This is being considered within the existing Voluntary Partnership Agreement with Centro & National Express West Midlands</i>
Provision of a parking/loading box at 90 Windmill Hill		
Promotion of a community-based travel plan linked to improvements to bus infrastructure and services		<i>Community group to be identified</i>
Dedicated right turn lane for traffic turning into Maple Tree Lane from Colley Gate	✓	<i>Measures investigated but rejected on safety grounds</i>
Junction improvements at Colley Gate/Colley Lane / Park Road junction	✓	<i>Proposals rejected following public consultation in favour of extended box junction</i>
Junction improvements at Windmill Hill / Two Gates Lane		<i>Improvements constrained by adjacent property</i>
Junction improvements at Windmill Hill / Beecher Road		<i>Box junction implemented</i>
Conversion of a number of the existing private car parks to public use should also be considered		
Landscaping of public and private car parks		<i>Section 106 Open Space and Public Realm funds are being pooled for future use on this area</i>
Partnership/Contract with Travel West Midlands		<i>This is being considered within the existing Voluntary Partnership Agreement with Centro & National Express West Midlands</i>
Personalised Travel Plans		<i>Community group to be identified</i>

Long term Actions (6 - 10 years; 2013/17)

Action		Status
Possible footway widening as part of long term traffic improvements	✓	<i>Measures investigated but rejected on safety grounds</i>
The provision of traffic signals at the Toys Lane junction (due to the need for minor widening of Windmill Hill)	✓	<i>Measures investigated but rejected on safety grounds</i>