

CUMNOCK AREA LOCAL COMMITTEE - 9 SEPTEMBER 2004

QUESTIONS ARISING FROM 15 MINUTE QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION

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<p>Community Representative Alex Currie enquired as to the possibility of East Ayrshire Council giving consideration to the provision of flashing 30mph hour signs at entrances to villages, with particular reference to that section of the A70 which runs through Muirkirk.</p>	<p>Councillor Ross explained that, in general terms, East Ayrshire Council will consider implementation of a range of traffic calming measures to address identified road hazards, including speeding, and that these measures would be prioritised towards those routes and locations demonstrated as having the highest risk.</p> <p>Neil Bell, Senior Roads Engineer, made reference to the proposals contained within the report on "Mandatory 20mph Speed Limits at Schools" which would be considered by the Committee later in the meeting - this report included proposals for the provision of part-time flashing 20mph speed limit signs on a substantial length of the A70 route as it passes through Muirkirk in proximity to the primary school.</p>	<p>N/A</p>

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<p>Community Representative Matthew Burns drew attention to the limited effectiveness of “traffic cushions” in reducing the speed of larger vehicles particularly HGV’s and buses which, due to their size and construction may be able to avoid the cushions.</p>	<p>Neil Bell, Senior Roads Engineer, indicated that while “traffic cushions” are an effective means of reducing speeds of most vehicles, it was recognised that for certain types of vehicles such as those referred to by Mr Burns, they were less effective. This is a matter which the Roads Authority was aware of and would take into account when considering traffic calming/speed reduction works in future.</p>	<p>N/A</p>

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