

**EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL**

**KILMARNOCK CENTRAL LOCAL COMMITTEE - 29 AUGUST 2006**

**QUESTIONS ARISING FROM 15 MINUTE QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION**

	<u><b>MATTER RAISED</b></u>	<u><b>RESPONSE/ACTION TO BE TAKEN</b></u>	<u><b>CURRENT POSITION</b></u>
<p><b>1a.</b></p> <p>Community Representative Ian McVey reiterated his concern about the height of the hedge at Alloway Avenue/London Road, this being a road safety problem depending on the type of vehicle being driven and rate of approach to the junction.</p> <p><b>b.</b></p> <p>Community Representative John McIvor reported a similar problem in Gatehead, at the road end junction to Springside.</p> <p>The Community Police Officer advised that this site was private property, requiring consultation with the owner to address.</p>	<p>The Principal Engineer, Traffic undertook to give his attention to both of these matters.</p>	<p>The Head of Roads and Transportation has advised that a site visit was carried out by the Roads Policing Unit of Strathclyde Police who at the moment have no concerns about visibility when entering London Road from Alloway Avenue. However, the Council's Outdoor Services have been asked that the cutting of the hedge at this location be treated as a high priority during the hedge cutting season.</p> <p>The Head of Roads and Transportation has written to the adjacent landowner regarding concerns about the siteline at the junction of Hallbarns Road and B7081 and requested a meeting to discuss the issue.</p> <p>No response has been received to date, however officers will continue to pursue this.</p>	
<b>2.</b>	<p>Councillor Reid reported ongoing traffic problems at the Langlands Street junction at Morrison Store.</p>	<p>The Principal Engineer, Traffic, advised that the arrangement was fairly standard, however, some changes to lanes and at the second signal had been requisitioned. In addition, the incidence of accidents would be monitored.</p>	<p>The consultant that designed the traffic signals at the entrance to Morrison's supermarket have been asked to consider modifications to the signal layout, which would address the Committee's concerns. No further info is available at this time, but officers, will continue to pursue this and update the Committee when there is further info to report.</p>

3.	Community Representative Esther Caldwell asked that the traffic arrangements at Crosshouse Cross also receive consideration.	The Principal Engineer, Traffic, advised that a site visit had been arranged with the Senior Engineer, Roads, Transportation and Design to review arrangements at this location.	A site visit was attended by Community Council Representatives on 11 May 2006. Following the meeting, it was proposed to provide yellow box markings on Irvine Road, at the junction with Knockentiber Road, to ease traffic movements to and from Knockentiber during peak traffic periods. Consideration is also being given to an adjustment of the road markings at the traffic signals, on the approach from Irvine, to reduce potential delays arising from traffic turning right into Gatehead Road.
4.	Community Representative John Donaldson asked whether the Council had proposals for improving the situation with travellers at Queen's Drive with regard to littering and general disturbance. Mr Donaldson advised that traders were finding the situation difficult.	The Chair undertook to seek a response from the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services.	
5.	Community Representative Tom Cook reiterated concerns about the new Meals at Home service and noted that a second period of consultation was planned.	The Administrative Officer would forward these further comments to the Executive Head of Social Work.	

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