

**NORTHERN AREA LOCAL COMMITTEE - 13 JANUARY 2005**

**ISSUES RAISED DURING THE 15 MINUTE QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION**

<b>ISSUE RAISED</b>	<b>ACTION PROPOSED</b>	<b>CURRENT POSITION</b>
<p>Mr Charles Lindsay, Community Representative, Tenants/Residents Association advised that, despite having already requested zig zag lines on David Dale Avenue, at the entrance to the school, no action had been taken.</p>	<p>Brian Weadon, Area Engineer agreed to take this request back to his Section.</p>	<p>Letter of response from Head of Roads and Transportation sent to Mr Lindsay on 20 January 2005 which advised that generally, these markings are used to keep sections of road clear of parked vehicles to allow clear visibility for persons crossing the road. However, during the time that this location was surveyed by his staff, at the end of the school day, there appeared to be no problem with parked cars. Also, no-one was observed to cross this section of David Dale Avenue. It has been noted, on several occasions, that the requirements of zig-zag markings are not obeyed, when used in the vicinity of schools, by parents dropping off or picking up children. The result of this is that these markings are only used where they are definitely required and will be respected by parents. The Police have also been consulted regarding this and concur, that no markings are required at this location.</p>

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<p>Mr Charles Lindsay, Community Representative, Tenants/Residents Association requested that the Head of Roads and Transportation look at widening the narrow footpath at the viaduct to Lainshaw Street past St John's Church and the cottage.</p>	<p>It was agreed that the Administrative Officer write to the Head of Roads and Transportation with this request.</p>	<p>Letter of response from Head of Roads and Transportation sent to Mr Lindsay on 1 February 2005 which advised that as the carriageway width at the viaduct area is 6.5 metres, there is no way the footway can be extended by encroaching onto the carriageway without putting traffic safety at risk. Due to the significant engineering work that would be required to construct a new retaining wall and the land that would have to be purchased from the Rail Company, it is not deemed appropriate at this time to widen the footway. However, the request will be kept on file and be reconsidered at a later date when more funding becomes available.</p>
<p>Mr Charles Lindsay, Community Representative, Tenants/Residents Association raised concerns regarding potholes at the rural area of Cutsburn Road, Stewarton (mini roundabout area).</p>	<p>It was agreed that the Administrative Officer write to the Head of Roads and Transportation with this request.</p>	
<p>Iain Finlayson, Community Representative, Stewarton &amp; District Community Council raised concerns regarding the lack of carriages on the Stewarton, Dunlop and Kilmaurs trains running to Glasgow.</p>	<p>It was agreed that the Administrative Officer write to Scot Rail with the Committee's concerns.</p>	<p>Letter written to Hazel Martin, Rail Franchise Manager on 4 February 2005.</p>