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Subject: Re: Suggestion for scrutiny item 5 of agenda GO&SC meeting 27 October

Dear Mr Baugh

With there being no response to my suggestion as made at last months meeting appended to the agenda, reference the minutes, and to avoid this quietly dropping off the agenda / minutes, may I suggest under item 5 that the upgrade of the LSG be subject of scrutiny, we now almost half way through the 10 month allotted period of time for this work ?

This upgrade should record our 'white roads' HC is aware of and I seek assurance that this is being undertaken by HC using an evidence base and asserting their authority, ref s.130 of 1980 Highway Act, in the most efficient manner, resulting in an upgrade that records those 'white roads' that connect with our public paths, were not shown on DM as considered to be roads outside of its scope and marked on map with blue line, anomalies, etc., as would be expected by the public, with only those where someone considers that to be incorrect subject to full high resource research should they apply for modification.

This suggestion is made due to information provided me under FOI IAT 9715 implying that this upgrade will be undertaken without use of an evidence base, taking view that HC is unaware of these 'white roads', requiring applications to record them when the Deregulation Bill provisions come in effect expected April 2016, using procedures that require high levels of resource, with applicants having improved power to take court action if not determined within 12 months.

I accept that your committee has a high work load and accept written response appended to agenda procedure, enabling all to view and ask questions under item 6. A response appended to the agenda of meeting 17 November would be just in time for it to be discussed at the Local Access Forum meeting that is now only held 6 monthly scheduled for 11 November. I regret that I am unable to attend the meeting on 27 October.

Yours sincerely

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