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Progress in response to recommendations made and issues requiring action raised by the Environment Scrutiny Committee.

Committee date: 22 March 2010

ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECT OF STAFF AND MEMBER TRAVEL TO WORK ARRANGEMENTS	
Recommendations	Response/Action
Members be informed by Briefing Note when the Councils new Travel Plan is in place	This wont be available until the planning application has been submitted - and may not be actually "in place" until the new build is complete. (Plough Lane)

Committee date: 19 April 2010

MINUTE NO 70 REDUCING ENERGY CONSUMPTION – STREET LIGHTING	
Recommendations	Response/Action
that the report be noted and greater detail on how a reduction in street lighting energy consumption would contribute to the Council's overall Carbon Management reductions be reported as part of the Carbon Management report to June 2010 meeting	Detail on this will be provided as part of the Carbon Report to the next meeting

Committee date: 7 June 2010

Minute No 76 PUBLIC QUESTIONS	
Recommendations	Response/Action
1) that the PROW report to the July meeting to also include information on unsurfaced County Roads	Details will be added to the report
2) officers be requested to investigate the requirements for advertising meetings of the Local Access Forum	Details to be added to the report

Minute No.77 ANNUAL REPORT BY CABINET MEMBER HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION	
Recommendations	Response/Action
1) the Cabinet Member Highways and Transportation is requested to take up in the strongest terms the matters concerning the lack of local train capacity and station facilities with the train companies and report to the November Committee meeting following which the Committee may wish to consider inviting the train companies to come before them to explain their operation.	Recommendation noted. A meeting is being pursued with train operating companies and network rail. The meeting will consider strategic issues for inclusion in the Local Transport Plan and operational matters such as capacity on services.
2) local Members be informed when any serious incident or accident occur on roads in their ward;	Noted. A system of notification via email of road traffic accidents which involve a fatal casualty will be in place by August.

<p>3) Members be informed by briefing note of the key points being used to lever improved funding from government to improve transport access to the city by the county population.</p>	<p>The current funding situation is very uncertain and details of significant changes to funding are only just emerging. It would be unwise to speculate on funding opportunities until details of the Comprehensive Spending review have been published in the Autumn. A briefing note would be of more benefit after this time and could be provided for the November 2010 meeting.</p>
<p>4) information concerning the Sustainable travel events be circulated to all members</p>	<p>Details available and will be circulated via the Committee Secretary.</p>
<p>5) that current progress concerning the Review of Speed Limits be communicated to Members by briefing note</p>	<p>Amey started on the speed limit review in April and have to date been collating the necessary data to feed into the review. There are a total of 57 routes that fall into the remit for review, of these we have produced all route plans and detailed collision detail for each route. 28% of the initial site surveys have been undertaken. We will continue to process the review the next stage being to survey actual vehicle speeds which will lead to a determination of limits on the routes.</p>
<p>6) that current progress concerning the bridge and road works being undertaken on the A438 (nr Rhydspence) be communicated to members by Briefing note;</p>	<p>Works have commenced on site and are being carried out by our sub-contractor SC Joseph. We anticipate the works being completed by the end of the first week of July. The works include the stabilisation of the bank, repair of the culvert, provision of an otter fence and the repair of the safety barrier.</p>

<p>Minute No. 78 ANNUAL REPORT BY CABINET MEMBER ENVIRONMENT AND STRATEGIC HOUSING</p>	
<p>Recommendations</p>	<p>Response/Action</p>
<p>1) the report on planning applications and enforcement programmed for July meeting also contain an update on the scanning system for planning</p>	<p>Details for the preparation of this report are now well in hand. Progress has been made on the scanning project that will be incorporated into the report.</p>
<p>2) the Cabinet Member Environment and Strategic Housing note the concern of the Committee that the enforcement of planning conditions was far from satisfactory and wished to see continued improvements.</p>	<p>Noted. The Cabinet Member is working with the Assistant Director – Environment, Planning and Waste to formulate new enforcement procedures and policies.</p>
<p>3) it be noted that the Head of Planning and Transportation intends to hold a work shop for all members on the theme of planning enforcement and will include reference to the ‘planning tool kit;</p>	<p>Noted. The format of the workshop will seek to reflect that on the very successful recent seminar on Ecology & Planning.</p>
<p>4) the Cabinet Member Environment and Strategic Housing and key officers be requested to press Welsh Water and other bodies concerned to deal with the issue of unadopted sewers as soon as possible.</p>	<p>The Recommendation has been noted and the matter is being pursued with the bodies concerned.</p>