

**Delegated Decisions by Cabinet Member for
Environment (including Transport)
Thursday, 25 May 2017**

ADDENDA

2. Questions from County Councillors

Councillor John Howson

“Will the Cabinet member review the refusal of the request from parents for a review of the cycle path on the Woodstock Road south of Polstead Road to St Margaret's Road that would improve the safety of children cycling to school and make the cycle path better for all users?”

Response by the Cabinet Member for Environment

“Council officers will review the feasibility of this measure including an exploration of suitable opportunities for funding its delivery. Officers will report back to the member on the outcomes of this process in due course. “

Councillor Roz Smith

“When will local councillors and residents receive the detailed time table and detailed design changes for the Access to Headington schemes?”

Response by the Cabinet Member for Environment

“The scheme is deliberately being delivered in phases to manage the impact on this highly congested and sensitive part of the network. Delivery in phases also allows for management of the scheme’s budget and scope which has been deliberately set out to allow the council to deliver the most improvement for the available budget.

In order to present the schemes properly to those locally affected by the works and to promote a focus on the immediate work, we decided to hold exhibitions and update our website for the phases as they are delivered. Given the need to be reactive to demands on the network, the works embargo due to Westgate opening and the overall flexibility of the scope of the scheme, the works programme will be presented in the same way, outlining the individual packages as they are coming to construction.

We will upload the final designs for all phases to the council’s website so they are available to the public for their perusal, but will continue to promote as we have done in order to preserve the clarity of the information available for ‘live’ phases.

We are currently delivering Phase 2 which is The Slade, with Phase 3 to be the double mini-roundabouts near Marsh Lane and the junction with the JR hospital on Headley Way. Cllr Smith along with other councillors in the impacted wards, both city and county, have and will continue to be invited to monthly stakeholder meetings to be updated on progress of live and futures phases and are welcome to contact the project sponsor overseeing the delivery, Isaac Webb, or the contracts manager overseeing construction, Pat Mulvihill, at any time."

Councillor Jamila Azad

"I would like information regarding traffic calming and parking in my area. I would also like an update regarding a crossing on Morrell Avenue,"

Response by the Cabinet Member for Environment

"With regard to the request for a pedestrian crossing on Morrell Avenue, I understand that you raised this with my predecessor at his Decisions Meeting on 3rd April 2017. At that meeting I understand that he explained that there is no funding currently available that could be used to install a crossing on Morrell Avenue but that he would keep this under review – I am happy to continue that undertaking."

Councillor Judy Roberts

" Does the cabinet member agree that a safe bike route between Botley and Eynsham along the B4044 would enable school children from both areas safe cycle access to both secondary schools, Farmoor Reservoir nature reserve and Hill End Environment Centre?"

Response by the Cabinet Member for Environment

The B4044 Eynsham to Botley cycle path has long been promoted by Bike Safe and the local community. The path would enable safer sustainable travel for many journeys including to secondary education and locations along the route such as Hill End and Farmoor Reservoir.

Bike Safe, with support from the county council, have developed a business case, however funding the path has always been the critical issue to delivery. As yet full funding for the scheme has not been identified, however Local Plan housing and employment growth along the route, such as at Eynsham, may provide a significant opportunity to secure the necessary funds for delivery.

3. Petitions and Public Address

Item 4. Proposed Car Club Bays – Oxford

County Councillor John Howson

Item 5. Proposed Waiting Restrictions – Various Streets, Bicester

County Councillor Les Sibley

County Councillor Lawrie Stratford

County Councillor Michael Waine is unable to attend but has sent in the following comments:

“I am very happy to support all the proposals, particularly those in my division, but would ask that support be readily given to residents in Bernwood Road by giving practical advice where dropped curbs are necessary to access potential parking on owners property, especially those whose access would be through a ‘parking layby”

Item 6. Proposed waiting Restrictions and Traffic Calming – Bankside, Banbury

Dr Peter Orford