

AREA PANEL 4 30 March 2005

Report of the Director of Development and Cultural Services

Request for Pedestrian Crossings on Station Road, Mickleover.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 1.1 Two petitions were received requesting pedestrian crossings on Station Road, Mickleover.
 - 1. A petition containing 79 signatures requesting a pedestrian crossing between Onslow Road and Mill Lane.
 - 2. A petition containing 257 signatures requesting a pedestrian crossing near to East Avenue.
- 1.2 Pedestrian and vehicle surveys at the two locations on Station Road have revealed that the minimum thresholds, agreed by Cabinet, were not met for a pedestrian crossing at either location.
- 1.3 Requests for the installation of pedestrian crossings are assessed using criteria based on national guidance. The criteria is used to assess all types of pedestrian crossing facilities and ensures budgets are used to target areas in greatest need. The adopte teria uses a minimum threshold below which no further action is recommended. Above the threshold other factors such as the mobility and age of pedestrians, and the speed and composition of traffic are considered. Typically the minimum threshold is comparable with 50 pedestrians crossing an hour against traffic flows of 1000 vehicles.
- 1.4 On the 9 December 2004 on Station Road between Onslow Road and Mill Lane, the highest hourly level of pedestrians was 17 between 15:00 and 16:00. Traffic flows were 910 vehicles an hour. In total 91 pedestrians crossed in the 12 hour period.
- 1.5 On the 10 January 2005 on Station Road near to East Avenue. The highest hourly level of pedestrians was 43 between 15:00 and 16:00. Traffic flows were 790 vehicles an hour. In total 297 pedestrians crossed in the 12 hour period.
- 1.6 A review of the accidents at the two locations over the last 5 years shows that there were no recorded pedestrian injury accidents at the East Avenue junction and one pedestrian injury accident recorded at the Onslow Road junction. This accident involved a 12 year old girl crossing the road. Whilst any accident is regrettable it is not considered that the introduction of pedestrian crossings at either location would necessarily lead to accident reductions.
- 1.7 It is recognised that the local school catchment area has increased, with this it is likely that the intake will increase in future years. So it is therefore proposed to review the request for both pedestrian crossings during 2006.

1.8 Consideration will also be given to review any pedestrians crossing Station Road as part of a School Travel Plan or Safer Routes to School Scheme.

PROPOSED ACTION

- 2.1 To refuse the request for a pedestrian crossing between Onslow Road and Mill Lane.
- 2.2 To refuse the request for a pedestrian crossing near to East Avenue.
- 2.3 To review the request for both pedestrian crossings during 2006.
- 2.4 To consider reviewing pedestrians crossing Station Road as part of any School Travel Plan or Safer Routes to School scheme.

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Background papers:
List of appendices:
None

Appendix 1



Financial

1.1 None.

Legal

2.1 None.

Personnel

3.1 None. 🔻

Equalities impact

4.1 None.