



DERBY CITY COUNCIL

## AREA PANEL TWO 12 JANUARY 2005

Report of the Assistant Director - Highways, Transportation and Waste Management

### Petition – Request For Improved Surfacing and Drainage and Installation of Lighting on Green Lane



#### SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 1.1 A petition has been submitted by Mr. Kevin Winson of 61, Manifold Drive, Alvaston supporting the request by the Alvaston Street Neighbourhood Watch for the installation of lighting, improved surfacing and drainage to Green Lane. It is claimed that these measures would improve safety for pedestrians, cyclists and those living and working alongside Green Lane by reducing the fear of crime.
- 1.2 Green Lane is a stone surfaced track, between Alvaston Street and the new Alvaston By-pass, over which runs a public footpath. The lane is gated near its junction with Alvaston Street and is used occasionally for access by public utility company vehicles but is not open to normal vehicular traffic.
- 1.3 The public footpath has been inspected and the surface was found to be generally in good condition. It was inspected following rain and only one small area of standing water was found. The footpath is rural in nature and the surfacing considered suitable for its purpose. It is estimated that the cost of surfacing the track in tarmac would cost £5,000.
- 1.4 It is not normal practice to provide street lighting on rural public footpaths. However, both Alvaston Street and the By-pass are lit. It is estimated that the installation of street lighting would cost £5,000. There is no funding available in the 2004/05 street lighting budget for the installation of new street lighting

#### PROPOSED ACTION

- 2.1 No action is proposed other than to monitor the condition of Green Lane and carry out maintenance works as and when necessary, and to consider the request for street lighting should funding become available. It is anticipated that a Street Lighting PFI contract will commence in the financial year 2006/07 and Green Lane could be considered for the provision of street lighting as part of that contract, if funding does not become available until then.

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