



DERBY CITY COUNCIL

COUNCIL CABINET

24 February 2004.

Report of the Chair of the Planning and Environment Commission

Services to Road Users Best Value Review – Options Appraisal

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council Cabinet takes into account the comments of the Commission as detailed in Section 3.2 of this report.

REASON FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

2. The Commission's comments relate to what are seen as key points in the report of the Director of Development and Cultural Services

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 3.1 At their meeting on 15 January 2004 the Planning and Environment Commission considered a report on the Options Appraisal component of the Services to Road Users Best Value Review. Christine Durrant, Head of Transportation and Special Projects informed the Commission, that these options had been developed from stakeholder events and staff workshops.
- 3.2 The Commission was in general agreement with the options set out in the report, but they offered the following specific comments:
 - a) There is a need to allocate more resources to address the backlog of footway maintenance. This is an issue that has been examined in detail by the Commission as their service area budget review topic. The Cabinet have been made aware of the Commission's recommendations.
 - b) The Commission supports the proposal for better monitoring to ensure that reinstatement work by public utilities is carried out to the appropriate standard.
 - c) The Commission considers that greater emphasis should be given to getting more children to walk/cycle to school. There was some concern that walking and cycling were not being considered as options in the Best Value review.
 - d) Parking near schools causes a major problem and the Commission considers that there needs to be more enforcement of parking restrictions near schools.
 - e) The Commission agrees that there is a need for more and better Park and Ride Schemes. Commission members considered it was important that these were made available as quickly as possible. Also they must be seen to offer viable and attractive alternatives to private car use.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

4. None.

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Background papers:	None
List of appendices:	Appendix 1 - Implications

Appendix 1

IMPLICATIONS

Financial

1. None arising from this report.

Legal

2. None arising from this report.

Personnel

3. None arising from this report.

Corporate Themes and Priorities

4. This report links to the following of the Council's themes and priorities: A fairer society; Prosperity for all; A great place to live; A sustainable environment; Safer communities.

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