

Update on Issues Raised at Previous Meetings – 20 September 2005

Public Forum

1. A Question was raised regarding renovation works required on the Beacon Tower. **(A short verbal update will be given at the meeting)**
2. In response to a question on the timescale for the installation of weight and time restriction signs in Bradley's Lane, the Senior Engineer reported his understanding of the situation and agreed to confirm the position in writing to the questioner.

The traffic signs in support of the part time Weight Restriction have been erected in accordance with the requirements of the order. We are in consultation with the other adjacent Local Highway Authorities seeking to implement a sign scheme over a wider area to advise drivers of HGVs that other residential streets in the area should not be used as alternative routes. These discussions have not yet been concluded.

3. It was requested that the Senior Engineer ascertain the current status of road markings in Longfellow Road and respond direct to Councillors Wright, Stanley and Mrs Millward in respect of the issues raised by them.

Following the last North Dudley Area Committee the ward members were advised the school keep clear markings in Longfellow Road were the subject of an existing traffic regulation order and therefore were enforceable by the Police when their resources permit. The Councils Road Safety Officer has been asked to raise the enforcement of the traffic regulation order at his next Police liaison meeting.

Ward Issues

4. Councillor Mrs Millward raised the issue of the provision of a dropped kerb to be sited at the top of Bull Street, Lower Gornal, for use by wheelchair users.

A survey of the location is being undertaken at present to identify a suitable location, if possible a crossing will be installed as soon as possible.

5. Councillor Mottram raised the issue of a gully on the ring road at Roseville that had become blocked with weeds and was inaccessible to Highways Agency vehicles, thus causing problems. He asked for it to be cleared.

An Officer from Environment Management Division (DUE) has spoken to Councillor Mottram to identify specific location, all

gullies in Green Street had been cleaned 3 days prior to Area Committee, Councillor Mottram did refer to another gully in Mason Street which has now been cleaned.

6. Cllr Mottram identified a long outstanding issue of a lack of street name plate for Penwood Gardens.

This has been investigated and it has been identified the new street name plate has been given to the developer to erect which he should now have done.

7. Cllr Davies identified blocked highway drainage gullies in Tunnel Street, Coseley

Environment Management Division , DUE have advised these gullies have now been cleansed.

Land and Property Reports

(Application to purchase the freehold in respect of Spouthouse Farm, Cotwall End Road, Sedgley)

This matter has been withdrawn from consideration by the Area Committee following enquiries which confirmed that, in accordance with the Leasehold Reform legislation, the applicant does have the right to purchase the Freehold interest. The Planning Division have confirmed that previous Member concerns raised in respect of potential future development of this site can be safeguarded by virtue of existing powers under planning legislation.