

## **APPENDIX B**

### **ITEM 11**

#### **STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS**

In recent months and years the section of the M25 motorway which crosses East Surrey and which border my Division has become more than congested. It is frequently shut due to Road Traffic collisions and when that happens then surrounding roads are often gridlocked. In such circumstances it is even more vital that Surrey's Air Ambulance is able to be deployed quickly and efficiently should the need arise. We are especially fortunate that every deployment of Surrey's Air Ambulance includes – on board – both paramedics and highly trained Doctors. (This is by no means the 'norm' elsewhere in the country.)

My plea, therefore, is that Surrey County Council continues to do what it can to support the Surrey Air Ambulance in its delivery of fast, medical intervention which we all know is vital to both save lives AND improve outcomes following sudden illness or trauma. This, of course, also makes huge financial sense.

I urge fellow Members to both raise the profile of the Air Ambulance and to support it wherever and whenever possible.

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**Caterham Valley Division.**  
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