Item 15 Written Member Questions

Questions received from Borough Councillor Moira Gibson

Question 1

The village of Windlesham has been suffering serious speeding issues for some time and is now a main rat run between the two motorways. The South East Plan has identified the DERA site at Longcross for significant housing development and this will have a direct impact on Windlesham with a large traffic increase.

I would like to ask if the County Council has any plans to begin to look at the alleviation of the problems faced now prior to the resultant issues following any development at the DERA site.

Answer from Ian Haller, Surrey County Council's Local Highways Manager

Surrey County Council's Transportation Development Control is currently discussing the potential development and its likely impacts with the owners of the site. Should the site be taken forward for development then Surrey would seek suitable measures, as part of the development, to mitigate its impact on the surrounding road network.

Surrey is currently considering the length of the B386 within the village of Windlesham for possible speed management measures. This work is still being investigated and as soon as this is complete we will be in a position to discuss the outcome and any proposals with local members. I anticipate that this will be early in the new year.

Question 2

Could I be informed as a matter of urgency when the traffic lights at the junction of the A30 and Sunninghill Road in Windlesham are going to be constructed?

Funding for these works was received from Eli Lilley several years ago and has since been topped up from flat development on the A30. This junction is becoming increasingly dangerous and is preventing the development of Eli Lilley's Green Travel Plan with regard to cyclists because of the safety issues. The Borough Council have been asked by another public agency and Eli Lilley when this is going to be addressed.

Answer from Ian Haller, Surrey County Council's Local Highways Manager

A new signal junction is currently being designed with a view to construction in the spring of 2008. The design is being taken forward in two stages, with stage 1 now nearing completion. This will determine whether the original layout can be amended so as to design out some of the concerns of the adjacent residents'. As a result further consultation may be required. Once a final layout is established then the remainder of the design work can be completed leading to construction as advised above.