

## OFFICER REPORT TO LOCAL COMMITTEE (WOKING)

# UPDATE ON PETITION REQUESTING A PEDESTRIAN CROSSING OUTSIDE THE MARIST CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

### 7 JULY 2010

#### **KEY ISSUE**

To advise the Committee of the current situation regarding the provision of a pedestrian crossing on Old Woking Road, West Byfleet, outside The Marist Catholic Primary School.

#### **SUMMARY**

At its meeting on 8 July 2009, the Local Committee received a petition urging Surrey County Council to install a pedestrian crossing on Old Woking Road, outside The Marist Catholic Primary School as a matter of urgency. The wording of the petition was as follows;

"We the undersigned believe that the stretch of the Old Woking Road, West Byfleet outside the Marist Catholic Primary School is dangerous to pedestrians, especially the children of the school, due to the constant flow of speeding traffic.

We would urge Surrey County Council to install a pedestrian crossing as a matter of urgency before a child is injured or badly hurt."

As well as an initial response to this petition, an update was provided at the 22 October 2009 meeting of the local committee.

#### OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

The Committee is asked to note the report.

#### **UPDATE**

As has been previously reported to the local committee, a crossing was to be built via a section 278 planning agreement linked to the third and final phase of the Broadoaks development. The original developer went into receivership and it has been established that there is no prospect of this Phase 3-related work being brought forward and included in the Phase 1-related s278 highway works.

In lieu of the provision of this crossing via the Broadoaks development, a proposal is included within our Integrated Transport Scheme (ITS) programme and is currently ranked at number 24 (out of 48 schemes).

Unfortunately, there is no budget for ITS work during this financial year, with little prospect of there being such a budget for the next 4 years or so. Consequently, the programme is on hold and no work is being undertaken. The programme will be reactivated when the ITS budget is reinstated but the rate of progress through it to this proposed scheme will be dependant upon the size of budget that is received.

We are not currently aware of any other proposed developments in the West Byfleet area that might provide a specific source of funding for a crossing but it will be suggested if the opportunity arises.

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