

Supplementary Agenda

6.30 pm

Wednesday, 13 March 2019

Council Offices, Knowle Green, Staines-upon-Thames
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Items

- Written Member Questions
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5 WRITTEN MEMBER QUESTIONS

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To receive any written questions from members under Standing Order 13. The deadline for members' questions is 12 noon four working days before the meeting.

SPELTHORNE JOINT COMMITTEE**13 March 2019****AGENDA ITEM 5****WRITTEN MEMBER QUESTIONS**

**1. Cllr Robin Sider BEM
re. vegetation on Walton Lane**

Surrey County Council officers have confirmed in an email dated 22 February that they have inspected and found that highway vegetation is encroaching over the pavement, which is a shared pedestrian /cycle path in Walton lane, Shepperton but report that it is unlikely there is enough budget to complete works this financial year. This hazard has presented a danger to both pedestrians and cyclists alike, and again was reported to me at Shepperton Residents Association meeting on the 5th of March. Is the county council concerned with highway safety such as the foregoing, or are they content to do nothing and wait until there is a serious accident before taking relevant action?

Officer response

As highway authority, the county council is responsible for the vegetation on the publicly maintainable highway. The maintenance of vegetation encroaching from adjacent land is the responsibility of the landowner. The vegetation on the south side of Walton Lane is on the maintenance programme for treatment, which is annual cutting by flailing. The ownership of the vegetation on the north side, between the shared-use footway/cycleway and Bishop Duppa's Park is being confirmed by the council's Highways Information Team. Once ownership has been established, the responsible party can be approached for remedial action. Should Surrey County Council be the responsible party, maintenance of the vegetation will be considered in the next available programme.

**2. Cllr Robin Sider BEM
re. Vehicle-activated sign by Walton Bridge**

Walton Bridge Road was re-surfaced over four years ago and during this work, the vehicle-activated speed sign (VAS) which was on the lamppost at the junction of Penny Lane and Walton Bridge Road was removed and despite my inquiries has never been replaced. Can the local director look into this matter and confirm that the VAS will be replaced?

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Officer response

The vehicle activated speed sign close to the junction with Penny Lane was removed in 2014 as part of the works to install the footway/cycleway, associated with the Walton Bridge works. As part of these works, the road markings were changed and additional protection to the carriageway edge provided. Data available from Surrey Police from this date records no collisions on this section of Walton Bridge Road resulting in personal injury, in which excessive speed was recorded as a contributory factor. As such there are no plans to provide a replacement VAS. The issue has been raised to Surrey's Road Safety Team for future consideration, which includes partnership working and safety reviews with Surrey Police.