



**SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL'S
LOCAL COMMITTEE (TANDRIDGE)**

PUBLIC QUESTION

14 DECEMBER 2012

On the subject of Harestone Valley Road, Caterham, Leony Goodwin asks:

A Petition with 915 signatories was handed in to the Local Committee on the 2nd March 2012 requesting the installation of a zebra crossing, improved lighting, improved signage and improved road markings at the front of Caterham School in Harestone Valley Road. The committee has then agreed to update the lighting and to introduce double yellow lines at the front of the school as well as do a survey on the feasibility and design of the pedestrian crossing.

Firstly, we would like to voice our appreciation on the lighting that was improved in the area over the last 6 months as well as the approval of the double yellow lines to improve safety on the approach to the traffic calming measures on Harestone Valley Road. We understand that these lines will be done over the next 3 months depending on the weather conditions. We hope that all the signage will then be changed at the front of the school.

We are here today to ask the Local committee to give us an update on their decision regarding the crossing that was requested in the petition. We understand that the feasibility study and initial design has now been in progress over the last 4 months.

Local Committee response:

The investigation and design of improvements to the pedestrian crossing point outside Caterham School in Harestone Valley Road was included on the Tandridge 2012/13 programme of Integrated Transport Schemes (ITS) approved by Local

Committee in March 2012. Funding was allocated to enable detailed design to be carried out this financial year but no specific funding was allocated for implementation.

The County's design team, who are carrying out the work, have to prioritise their workload, with the delivery of schemes relating to the Olympic games and Integrated Transport Schemes that were allocated funding for implementation in this financial year being their first priority. Work on 'design only' schemes is programmed to commence in the New Year which gives the team three months to develop schemes to the point where they are ready to be delivered.

Traffic surveys have been carried out in Harestone Valley Road to enable design to start on the Caterham School pedestrian crossing improvement scheme. Once a scheme has been developed, the design will be shared with the Local Committee Chairman, Vice-Chairman and the local divisional Member for comment. At this point, subject to Member approval, the design can be made available to the petitioner and the school to seek their views.

Officers are working with Members to develop the Tandridge two-year forward programme for Integrated Transport Schemes for 2013/14 to 2014/15. Officers will be proposing that funding be allocated over the next two years to those schemes that have been designed in 2012/13. A report will be presented to the March meeting of Tandridge Local Committee seeking approval of the two-year forward programme.