

COMMENTS, QUESTIONS AND SUGGESTIONS from 2 December 2009 meeting

Bridgnorth, Worfield, Alveley and Claverley Local Joint Committee

	Comments/Questions/Suggestions	Response Requested From	Response/Action
1.	<p>a) The design of the road junction by Tesco and the Esso garage at The Hermitage needed to be changed to avoid garage traffic blocking the roundabout.</p> <p>b) The bus stop was used as a car park which was a further hazard.</p>	Hugh Dannatt, Group Manager – Traffic and Engineering Team	<p>a) Unfortunately, the layout of the garage is the responsibility of Esso and we have no authority to change this and cannot force Esso to change. Drivers should be aware of the problems they are causing and drive appropriately, i.e. move off and avoid obstructing the road. However, obstruction of the moving highway is a traffic offence and the police can take action.</p> <p>b) Shropshire Parking Services have been informed and are monitoring the situation. Appropriate enforcement will be carried out if necessary.</p>
2.	The design of the road junction by the Shell garage at Sutton Maddock could be changed by making use of the wide verge to improve access at the roundabout.	Kevin Aitken, Team Leader – Traffic Management and Regulation	This is a new request and our traffic management team will look at this in accordance with their process for requests.
3.	Liaison with neighbouring local authorities to ensure road safety measures on main roads was consistent. The particular site of concern was at Shatterford where there was inconsistency in the use of double white lines.	Hugh Dannatt, Group Manager – Traffic and Engineering Team	We do carry out cross boundary working and are meeting with Worcestershire County Council to discuss an accident issue where the two boundaries meet. In the case of Shatterford however this is approximately one mile south of the Shropshire Council boundary and as such this is outside of our remit.

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4.	Leaking guttering on the Newmarket buildings in Bridgnorth to be repaired.	Steve Brown, Head of Environmental Maintenance	Letter requesting repair to be sent to shop owners requesting repair through managing agent. Contact also made with various shop owners, whom are also contacting the managing agent. One shop informed that the guttering was a condition of their lease and are pursuing the matter through their leasing agent. Since the letter was sent and discussions with shop owners held – no other feedback has been received. This appears to be a lease issue with shop owners and managing agent. I have sent a further letter requesting an update.
5.	A question was raised about who was responsible for clearing knotweed from the banks of the River Severn.	Brian Bennett, Divisional Surveyor	The Environment Agency is responsible for enforcement and maintenance of main rivers. Letter has been sent from Chairman to Environment Agency raising concerns.
6.	Invite planning officers to attend the next meeting of the LJC.		Main agenda item for 3 March meeting.
7.	Presentation on hospital reorganisation and how it would affect the Bridgnorth area.		To be included on agenda for a future meeting.