

Cabinet – 9th November 2022

PUBLIC QUESTIONS

FROM SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT SHROPSHIRE

In September 2021 Shropshire Council voted in favour of motion number 7 which, among its resolutions, included the following: ‘Proactively reduce the number of short car journeys taken, particularly in our towns at first: Act to discourage cars from our town centres, develop low traffic zones, create safe active travel routes and improve urban public transport.’

A significant driver of unsustainable travel is new residential and business development, particularly where it takes place on the outskirts of towns and/or when their design inherently encourages car use rather than walking, cycling or public transport.

Transport For New Homes has published a very useful guidance tool for assessing the sustainability of new developments from a travel perspective.

On 12 May 2022 Council approved motion number 1. Some of its resolutions were to be acted upon after adoption of the Local Plan but others were for immediate action.

Please would Cabinet advise of progress on achievement of the latter, namely resolutions 4), 5) and 6) of the motion, to include number of developments affected to date.