ROTHERHAM METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD - 11 October 2017

TRANSPORTATION ISSUES – Questions from Councillors

The following questions have been received since the last Transportation meeting in July:-

(1) CABLE CAR in Rotherham/Sheffield area

Issue Raised by a Borough Councillor

Cable car Rotherham. Can we have a feasibility study/think tank meeting for the possibility of cable cars in and around Rotherham. eg Waverley AMP to Sheffield.

RESPONSE

This question was originally raised with the SYPTE and has now been passed to the Sheffield City Region (SCR). This would be a strategic matter which the SCR may wish to discuss with the four principal local authorities in South Yorkshire.

(2) BUS SERVICE – East Dene and Herringthorpe

Issues raised by a Ward Councillor

There doesn't seem to be a set timetable for the number 111 and number 112 at East Dene and Herringthorpe. Residents have complained for months now the buses are coming at random times, sometimes not at all. This in turn has caused major disruption to people's lives, causing many to miss hospital or GP appointments. And this has also caused some residents to be late for work. Can you please look into this issue, to ensure the service runs to time in future?

RESPONSE

Dear Councillor

Thank you for providing feedback. The Bus Partnership has reviewed services 111 and 112 and the data from over 5,000 recent journeys denotes that the services are operating punctually 93% of the time. Through the Rotherham Bus Partnership we continue to strive for improvements in all services but as you will understand, delays to bus services do occur and these delays can be sporadic and difficult, if not impossible, to plan for.

If residents are able to provide specific details of the service problem, including the day, time, stop and service they were trying to use we can provide a more specific response about any problems that may have arisen.

Kind regards (SYPTE)

(3) CORTONWOOD – traffic congestion

Issues raised by a Ward Councillor

Due to the new extension of numerous retail outlets at Cortonwood Retail Park can consideration be given to opening up the old Cortonwood Pit Lane as another entrance to the Retail Park so as to alleviate the traffic congestion that is currently ensuing?

RESPONSE (overleaf)

The Cortonwood Business/Retail Park was developed with only one point of vehicular access, from the dual carriageway (A6195 Dearne Valley Parkway) which is the responsibility of Barnsley MBC. In an attempt to ease congestion, highway officers at Rotherham MBC promoted construction of an alternative vehicular access to the Business/Retail Park from the former Cortonwood Pit entrance at Knollbeck Lane in 2008. This was to be an adoptable road linking with Cortonwood Drive and was to have been provided as part of a residential development on adjacent land submitted by St Pauls developments (RB2008/1326 granted on 2nd November 2010). Minimal work to the former pit access was undertaken which it is believed keeps the permission "live" but no meaningful work has been undertaken and it is not known when the applicants intend to commence building work.