

## **Questions to Transport Advisory Board – 9<sup>th</sup> March, 2022**

### **Question 1 - Councillor Atkin**

What is the policy on redundant bus shelters, that is ones that remain when no buses are using them. There are several in my ward and they have all been vandalised.

### **Response**

Bus stops not served (and especially shelters) are not regularly removed as there is little to no funding to do so. Funding is provided by the local authorities through the levy with priority for shelter funding going to replacing old shelters that are used and to provide new ones. Repair and removal of vandalism/graffiti is managed separately and if damaged or graffitied shelters are reported these will be reviewed and appropriate action taken.

Some shelters may also be served again and it would be prohibitively expensive to replace the shelter if it has already been removed. As and when funding is made available redundant stops are removed following assessment by our infrastructure team. A targeted replacement programmed for shelters has been planned for 2022/23 using Gainshare funding from the Mayor. This will replace the oldest shelters but is not planned to fund removal of unserved shelters.