

Your reference -
Our reference Public Consultation 01
Date 25 November 2014



Dear Resident

Place Directorate
Reception 2 Highways & Transportation
Regent Centre
Regent Road
Hanley
Stoke-on-Trent
ST1 3EG

Dear Sir /Madam,

Weston Road / Weston Coyney Road Junction & New Kingsway Improvement Scheme – Questionnaire

More recently the City Council has received concerns from residents and the local community regarding:-

- Road safety in general at the above junction;
- Difficulty for motorists exiting New Kingsway;
- Speed and volume of traffic on Weston Rd;
- Difficulty for elderly and more vulnerable people accessing the bus stop on Weston Road;
- Road safety along New Kingsway for all road users, particularly at peak traffic times and also at school pick up and drop off times;

Due to the high numbers of similar such requests we receive across the City, we have to assess and prioritise each request. We aim to tackle a number of the highest priority requests each year with the very limited central government funding we have available. As a result of this, we are now in a position to consider improvements at the above locations. This follows on from a report undertaken to investigate the above concerns. A recent trial to install traffic signals at the above junction was undertaken. Regrettably this trial did not prove successful and is no longer being considered as a viable improvement at this junction. However, alternative proposals have been considered and developed.

This letter is to invite you to a public exhibition held at **St. Andrew's Church and Centre, 375 Weston Road, Weston Coyney** between the times of **15:00 and 19:00 on Monday 8th December 2014**. City Council highways engineers will be in attendance to help explain the plans and answer any questions you may have. The aim of the exhibition is to consult with residents, local businesses and schools in the area and discuss any concerns you may have with the proposed scheme.

The attached plan shows the proposals for Weston Road / Weston Coyney Road junction and New Kingsway. Should you wish to see these proposals on larger plans please attend the exhibition above.

Please tell us if you need this letter in an alternative format

contacting the council:

minicom: 01782 23 6037

telephone 01782 23 4234

text: 07786 200 700

email: Enquiries@stoke.gov.uk

stoke.gov.uk

**Mandate
for change**

It is important that we take as many people's views as possible into account in deciding if and how to progress these proposals. We would very much welcome your thoughts whether you are in favour or you have concerns about the measures we have presented. We will ensure that all comments are taken seriously and given consideration prior to making any changes to the scheme, if required, or removing certain elements as appropriate.

Unfortunately, due to normally high response levels to consultations, we will not be able to respond individually to every response to the consultation. However if significant changes result from the consultation we will undertake another consultation on the revised proposals. If only minor changes are required, or where we are unable to resolve any objections, we will report the outcome of the public consultation to the City Council who will then make a decision on how to progress the scheme.

Subject to a successful outcome from the consultation process and funding being available, the final proposals would most likely be implemented in two phases, starting towards the end of the 2014/15 financial year.

This letter along with the questionnaire is intended to record your comments regarding the proposals. **Please return the questionnaire to the above address by 15th December 2014 or drop it off at the exhibition.** If you have any comments, you can also email me at address at the end of the letter. Otherwise please come along to the public exhibition where copies of the questionnaires will be on hand for you to fill in should you wish to make any comments. You can also contact Councillor Ruth Rosenau (07870 503575) or Councillor Matthew Fry (07826 891801) with your views.

Yours faithfully



Chris Norman
Engineer, Roads & Engineering
email chris.norman@stoke.gov.uk
contact number 01782 232339

Please tell us if you need this letter in an alternative format

contacting the council:

minicom: 01782 23 6037

text: 07786 200 700

stoke.gov.uk

telephone 01782 23 4234

email: Enquiries@stoke.gov.uk