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Dear Cllr. Black,

Re: Follow up - Road Safety Scrutiny Working Group.

Thank you for the interest that you and the Scrutiny Working Group have shown in the progress of the implementation of the 20mph default speed limit and other road safety and road safety education issues.

I note your Working Groups concerns in relation to the number of vacant School Crossing Patrol sites. The Council is fully committed to the continuation of the service and continue to operate it at 46 registered sites. However, recruitment of vacant posts remains an issue and there are currently 12 of the 46 posts unfilled. To fill these the Council have had a rolling advert on the website, and it is proposed that this continues going forward. Officers also work with the Head Teachers at each of the schools impacted to seek interest from any parents/grandparents who may be interested in the role.

In relation to school banners, as noted in the report, the road safety team have not been able to prioritise renegotiation of a deal to update/renew our banners. It is the intention to pick up on this in conjunction in the new financial year. In the meantime, efforts will be made to utilise existing materials to support key road safety messaging around school entrances.

Finally, officers will continue to be mindful of the needs to integrate different road users safely through the design process on new facility. However, it is recognised that there is concern over some existing infrastructure and continued efforts will be made to remind users of their responsibilities to use the facility safely and be mindful of other users.

I trust that this additional information is sufficient and provides reassurance that those specific areas of concern to the Working Group are being appropriately addressed.

Yours sincerely

Councillor Andrew Stevens
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Cabinet Member for Environment & Infrastructure

