

Council

25th July 2022

Questions from Members of the Public for Oral Reply

1. From John Gardner to the Portfolio Holder for Transport, Highways and Road Safety

Following road surveys for the prioritisation of funding for maintenance, do the Council prioritise repairs to main thoroughfares, rather than small crescents or cul-de-sacs? This seems the case in our area even though some are high traffic areas.

Reply:

Regular safety inspections are undertaken to ensure that all roads and footways in the borough are in a safe condition. All roads, regardless of road class or usage, are maintained to the same standards. Boroughwide condition surveys are also used to identify those roads and footways that may require planned maintenance. As well as surface condition, road classification and usage are also considered as part of the prioritisation process, but this does not preclude the inclusion of quieter roads and cul-de-sacs that are found to be in a poor structural condition.

2. From John Gardner to the Portfolio Holder for Transport, Highways and Road Safety

Why has Hillview Crescent in Orpington, BR6 0SL been repeatedly overlooked when it comes to highway maintenance and repair? All adjacent roads have seen major works to the road, pavements and crossovers in this and in previous years.

Reply:

The last walked safety inspection of Hillview Crescent was completed on 11/08/21, when one footway repair was identified. The next safety inspection is due next month. Our current footway maintenance policy is to undertake localised repairs when required rather than wholesale resurfacing. The latest carriageway condition survey identified Hillview Crescent to be in a sound structural condition, with only minor surface defects. This will continue to be monitored and considered for patching or resurfacing in the future.

(As Mr Gardner was not present at the meeting written replies were sent.)