

Oral Questions from the Public:

1) Question from Susan Moore for the Portfolio Holder for Transport, Highways and Road Safety.

How many schools in Hayes and Coney Hall have requested traffic calming measures, such as 20 mph speed limits, and how many of these have been installed?

Response to Question 1:

Susan Moore was not present to ask her question.

2) Question from Eileen Welsh for the Portfolio Holder for Transport, Highways and Road Safety:

Items 14e and 14f of the agenda regarding S Eden Park Rd and roundabout safety scheme and Local Implementation Plan.

While welcoming the proposals to mitigate accidents to road and pavement users at the roundabout, I'd like to know why there are no proposals to improve the safety of children and parents who cross South Eden Park road between Harvington Estate, and Unicorn School every day, without a safe crossing, or methods to slow traffic down. There are also concerns about the extremely narrow pavements along this road making pedestrians vulnerable to pollution and possible accidents. What is being done to make this a safe place for your residents to use?

Response to Question 2:

Officers are looking at how crossing facilities might be improved near Cresswell Drive.

Supplementary Question:

What will it take for the Council to get on and make this area safe for our schoolchildren. I would really like to see some work done on this crossing, something to slow the traffic down as its extremely dangerous for parents and children who are trying to cross every day.

Response from the Portfolio Holder for Transport, Highways and Road Safety.

I recognise the problems in South Eden Park Road and have been on a visit there with Ward Councillor Christine Harris. There are difficulties about the site of the Zebra Crossing, for instance there is a bus stop to the south of Cresswell Drive. We are looking at Cresswell Drive to see if there is a crossing that we can put there to make things safer.

Supplementary Question from Councillor Alisa Igoe:

I recall seeing the video of a young mother with a pram and toddler trying to cross the road here. Portfolio Holder, if you are not going to put something in, would you not consider the implementation of a temporary (or possibly permanent) 20 mph speed limit?

Response from the Portfolio Holder:

If the school makes an application for 20 mph flashing sign then that will be investigated. As far as I know no such application has been made.

Supplementary Question from Councillor Alisa Igoe:

What grade is the School Travel Plan?

Response from the Portfolio Holder:

I don't have that information to hand.

(The Assistant Director for Traffic and Parking stated that the Council's Road Safety Officer would be able to provide Cllr Igoe with the relevant information).