

DEPUTATION TWO – SCOTT HALL TENANTS AND RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

THE LORD MAYOR: Good afternoon and welcome to today's Council meeting. Could you please make your speech to Council, which should not be longer than five minutes, and could you please begin by introducing yourself and the people in your Deputation.

MS R ELLIS: Good afternoon, my Lord Mayor and fellow Councillors. My name is Rosemary Ellis and I am supported by Barbara Charles and Christine Tiffany.

We are from Scott Hall & Sholebroke Tenants & Residents Association

We are here to petition you on behalf of our community for a proper light-controlled pedestrian crossing of the A61 Scott Hall Road at Scott Hall Grove.

There is currently a pedestrian refuge at this point, in the middle of the dual carriageway, but no safe way of accessing it from the bus stops on either side.

A large number of children from the east side of the Scott Hall estate use this dangerous crossing to access Mill Field Primary School, which is on the west side of the road. They are often accompanied by parents with prams and buggies who find it very difficult to negotiate the traffic. Since the withdrawal of the lollipop warden at this crossing, the situation has become even more difficult.

The Year 6 pupils at Millfield Primary School created a series of leaflets about the need for a crossing, one of which is before you but they are actually outside on a table and I have various others here. They drafted these leaflets after interviewing local residents, including Ms Killeen, who has been struggling to cross the road for 62 years. As Ms Killeen says, she isn't getting any faster but the traffic isn't getting any slower.

So seriously, the whole community, young and old alike, respectfully request that you provide us with a very safe way to cross the road at this point.

Thank you for listening to our petition. Good afternoon. *(Applause)*

THE LORD MAYOR: Councillor Lewis, please.

COUNCILLOR J LEWIS: Thank you, I move that the matter be referred to Executive Board for further consideration.

COUNCILLOR LOBLEY: I second, my Lord Mayor.

THE LORD MAYOR: *(A vote was taken)* That is CARRIED.

Rosemary, thank you for attending and for what you have said. You will be kept informed of the consideration which your comments will receive. Good afternoon to yourself and thank you again. *(Applause)*