



Inquiry Finalisation: Prevention of Deaths and Serious Injuries on Leeds' Roads

Date: 13 July 2022

Report of: Head of Democratic Services

Report to: Scrutiny Board (Infrastructure, Investment & Inclusive Growth)

Will the decision be open for call in? Yes No

Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? Yes No

What is this report about?

Including how it contributes to the city's and council's ambitions

- The Scrutiny Board (Infrastructure, Investment and Inclusive Growth) has had a longstanding interest in the ways in which partners work together to prevent deaths and serious injuries on the road.
- Consideration of this matter has traditionally taken place as part of the Board's annual performance monitoring activity. However, the 2021/22 Scrutiny Board agreed to conduct a dedicated inquiry into this policy area following the reinstatement of 'in person' meetings post-pandemic.
- Meetings in [September](#) and [October](#) 2021 considered evidence from a range of stakeholders. The conclusions and recommendations that emerged from those sessions were summarised in a draft interim inquiry report, which was publicly available in January 2022. However, members requested that further time be allocated within the Scrutiny Board's schedule of public meetings to further examine several issues before the inquiry report is finalised. Consideration of those additional matters took place in [April 2022](#) with an agreement that the final report would be considered by the 2022/23 Scrutiny Board early in the new municipal year.
- It should be noted that in February 2022 the Scrutiny Board provided the interim draft inquiry report to the Executive Board to support a proposal for Leeds City Council to adopt a Vision Zero approach to road safety.

Recommendations

Members are asked to consider the appended inquiry report and note the officer responses to the Board's recommendations.

Why is the proposal being put forward?

1. The report summarises the recommendations of the Scrutiny Board (Infrastructure, Investment and Inclusive Growth) following the 2021/22 inquiry into the prevention of deaths and serious injuries on Leeds roads.

What impact will this proposal have?

Wards affected: All

Have ward members been consulted?

Yes

No

1. The information in the report will provide a basis for members to monitor ongoing progress in this area. Such performance monitoring has historically taken place in the context of the Best Council Plan, as required by the Budget and Policy Framework.
2. Members are aware that there is an ongoing review into the way in which performance will be monitored in future following the adoption of the Best City Ambition. However, the Board is keen to ensure that regardless of the formal framework for performance monitoring the issues considered in the appended inquiry report should continue to be subject to regular examination by the Scrutiny Board.

What consultation and engagement has taken place?

3. Members of the Scrutiny Board have sought the views of a wide range of stakeholders, as summarised in the inquiry report. The interim report was presented to the Scrutiny Board and relevant stakeholders in January 2022. The final report reflects the views of the Scrutiny Board as expressed at the public meeting of the Board on 6 April 2022.

What are the resource implications?

4. The report does not have any specific resource implications.

What are the legal implications?

5. This report has no specific legal implications.

What are the key risks and how are they being managed?

6. There are no risk management implications relevant to this report.

Does this proposal support the council's three Key Pillars?

Inclusive Growth

Health and Wellbeing

Climate Emergency

7. The inquiry has given due consideration to matters that are reflective of the Council's three key pillars. The Scrutiny Board's recommendations to date have been set within the context of the recently adopted Best City Ambition.

Appendices

8. Appendix 1 – Recommendation Table
9. Appendix 2 – Scrutiny Board Inquiry Report
10. Appendix 3 – Vision Zero Action Plan included within the draft Leeds Safer Roads Vision Zero 2040 consultation documents considered by Executive Board on [9 February 2022](#)

Background papers

11. None.