
To: Audit, Scrutiny & Petitions Board

On: 1 June 2015

Report by: Director of Finance and Resources

Heading: Petition, Bus Stop, Trident House, Renfrew

1. Summary

- 1.1 A petition in the undernoted terms was considered by the Board at its meeting held on 30 March, 2015.

“To move the bus stop from outside of Trident House in the Renfrew Road because of danger to passengers alighting from buses at this stop and then having to either cross at the entrance to the M8 motorway in order to access the Abbotsinch Estate or either crossing the exit from the M8 motorway to access the bottom end of Gallowhill. Residents of Gallowhill want the bus stop put back to where it was previously sited, before a serious injury or fatal accident occurs”.

- 1.2 The Board noted that the Head of Amenity Services had advised that the bus stop was moved to make way for the access road for the new retail development on Renfrew Road so it could not go back to its original position. He advised that in terms of the road layout this was a very difficult area to find a suitable location for a bus stop and that there was no other place to put it except at Trident House where it had been operating safely for the past 10 months. He further advised that a pedestrian survey had been undertaken to determine the routes people used near the stop including the roundabout to the retail park and the slip roads to the M8 motorway.

- 1.3 Having heard from the principal petitioner and her supporter, the Board agreed that the petition be referred to the Director of Community Resources with the recommendation that a site visit be arranged, to be attended by members of the Board, a representative from SPT, relevant officers, the petitioner and supporter, and the remaining local member who was not a member of the Board, and that consideration of the petition be continued to a future meeting of the Board.
- 1.4 The site visit took place on 15 May, 2015 and the principal petitioner, together with her supporter, has been invited to this meeting of the Board in order that the Board may further consider the petition.
- 1.5 The Head of Amenity Services has indicated that arising from the site visit, there appears to be confusion relating to where the petitioners want the stop to be moved and has provided the attached plan for clarification. The bus shelter was moved from Location 1 prior to 1990 to accommodate the installation of the pelican crossing. It was moved south on Renfrew Road because it was not suitable to locate it between the new crossing and the roundabout immediately south of Trident House as it would be too close to the roundabout and be problematic to bus operations and would also cause congestion. The bus shelter and stop cannot be moved back to Location 2 as shown on the plan because there is now an access road constructed to serve the new retail development.
- 1.6 A survey of pedestrian movements has been carried out in the vicinity of the current location outside Trident House and will be further assessed to establish pedestrian desire lines over the length of Renfrew Road between the roundabout at the retail park and the roundabout at Arkleston. This work will be on going this financial year. The Head of Amenity Services suggests that passengers should use the existing stop outside KFC which is around 100 metres from the stop that was relocated or use Service No. 64 which goes into Gallowhill every 10 minutes.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 That the Board give further consideration to the petition, following the site visit held on 15 May, 2015.
- 2.2 The Board consider its decision in relation to the petition which will be either (a) to take no action; (b) refer the petition to a Director or Policy Board with or without a recommendation; or (c) where the petition relates to another organisation, refer it to that organisation, with or without a recommendation.

Implications of the Report

1. **Financial – none**
2. **HR & Organisational Development - none**
3. **Community Planning – none**
4. **Legal - none**
5. **Property/Assets - none**
6. **Information Technology – none**
7. **Equality & Human Rights**
 - (a) The Recommendations contained within this report have been assessed in relation to their impact on equalities and human rights. No negative impacts on equality groups or potential for infringement of individuals' human rights have been identified arising from the recommendations contained in the report. If required following implementation, the actual impact of the recommendations and the mitigating actions will be reviewed and monitored, and the results of the assessment will be published on the Council's website.
8. **Health & Safety - none**
9. **Procurement – none**
10. **Risk - none**
11. **Privacy Impact - none**

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