

Requests made by Councillors and Members of the Swale Joint Transportation Board

Two items were received as listed below:

- Further to my member's question at Full Council last June, I request an update at the next JTB on the Council's investigations as detailed in Cllr Baldock's response to that question, reproduced below for convenience.

"There is a recognition that residents in Great Easthall and Heron Fields need a safer and more environmentally appropriate access to the A2 and the Council have committed to investigating potential opportunities to seek effective connections between Stones Farm and Great East Hall to the A2 that would avoid the considerable increase in traffic pressures on Teynham, Ospringe and Bapchild that traffic modelling has shown a Northern Relief Road would cause."

Also, an update from KCC and from Swale on the traffic modelling referred to in Cllr Baldock's reply, which I understand may have changed since last June, would be very helpful in keeping residents informed.

- As part of the Stones Farm planning permission there was a requirement to install detector loops at the Swanstree Ave junction and the need for a revised junction layout. The new houses at Stones Farm are now being occupied and yet the junction upgrade appears not to have been completed.

Please can we have an update on the upgrade of the Swanstree Avenue junction with A2. At present there is a significant issue with standing traffic through Bapchild all the way back to Hempstead House Hotel and along the A2 into/out Sittingbourne.

I understand "A planning application on 'Land Between Frogal Lane And Orchard View, Teynham' (ref. 16/507689/OUT), which was approved in June 2021 (and which itself includes a requirement for a contribution to the Swanstree Ave Junction Works), also includes a drawing indicating what the Improvement Works are. "

Please can KCC explain what has been done to upgrade the junction to date , when will the detector loops be switched on and when the revised layout design be finalised, constructed and implemented.

Response

KCC's Schemes Planning Delivery team are looking into the two items submitted and outlined below and agreed to the Members directly to discuss further. It was agreed that they would not be considered at the June JTB meeting