

**(5) Mr D Louden**

**To the Economy & Infrastructure Committee**

**When the Council's Transport team alters or cancels bus routes used to carry children to school, are the schools affected and the "Safer Routes to School" team always consulted?**

*School transport provision is planned according to statutory requirements, the Council's transport policy, and maximising efficiency. Schools are not normally consulted as the needs are known from the pupil list, but schools are informed of the arrangements. The safer routes to school team are consulted on those route changes/cancellations where there is a road safety concern only.*

*Routes carrying entitled pupils are not cancelled unless a replacement route is being introduced.*