

Bus Shelter Appeals Decision Group

Wednesday 12 June 2019 at 11.30am

Minutes

Present

Councillor Kath Hartley (Chair)	Birmingham City Council
Councillor Celia Hibbert	City of Wolverhampton Council
Councillor Mohammed Hanif	Dudley Metropolitan Borough Council

In attendance

Dawn Harris	Transport for West Midlands
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04 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence had been received from Councillor Andrew and Fazal.

05 Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest were made relative to items under consideration at the meeting.

06 Recommendations of the Bus shelter Appeals Decision Group

The Bus Shelter Appeals Decision Group considered a report of the Network Coordination Specialist (Infrastructure), Transport for the West Midlands (TfWM) that set out recommendations, in relation to an appeal against the siting of a bus shelter at Harnall Lane East/ Trentham Road, Coventry.

The Network Coordination Specialist (Infrastructure) Dawn Harris, reported that TfWM had received objections relating to the levels of anti-social behaviour taking place within the shelter including drug dealing. An anti-social behaviour report had been supplied by the Safer Travel Partnership and was considered alongside the report.

The Bus Shelter Appeals Officer Panel had recommended that the shelter is removed and replaced with a stop pole.

The Bus Shelter Appeals Decision Group considered the following points:

- The impact statements/ anti-social behaviour log submitted by local residents and businesses.
- Substantial evidence from the Safer Travel Police Team and Coventry Local Police Unit in respect of anti-social behaviour.

- The bus shelter providing the only protection against the elements in the vicinity.
- On-going contact with residents.
- Frequency of the bus service.
- The need for community engagement in the area.

RESOLVED:

- (1) That the shelter be removed and replaced with a stop pole;
- (2) That TfWM Officers liaise with the Coventry Local Police Unit with regard to the need for community engagement in the area;
- (3) That residents and businesses objecting to the shelter be requested to provide feedback to TfWM following its removal and
- (4) That TfWM request that the Coventry Local Police Unit provide feedback on the impact of the removal the shelter within 3 months' time.

[meeting closed at 12.05pm]