

KILBRIDE ROAD – RISK ASSESSMENT & BUSINESS CASE

1.0 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This paper is to brief the Bute & Cowal Area Committee on the actions taken by the Roads Operations Unit regarding concerns expressed by Members with the regard to road safety at Kilbride Bridge – Kilbride road, Dunoon.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 The Bute & Cowal Area Committee notes:

2.1.1 That a full written risk assessment has now been completed.

2.1.2 That options to address the risk of pedestrian/vehicle conflict with a permanent solution will be developed and appraised and a preferred option subject to Outline Business Case development. The Outline Business Case will be taken forward and appraised as part of the Department's Asset Sustainability Capital Planning programme for 2011/12.

3.0 DETAIL

- 3.1 Following discussion with the Area Committee Chairman and Members in April 2010, a Full Written risk Assessment has now been completed by the Roads Operations Unit, which is attached at Appendix 1.
- 3.2 The Risk Assessment highlights that due to a history of minor landslips a wooden post and wire fence had to be erected within the former footway surfaced area in June 2008 to address the risk to pedestrians associated with the steep embankment and footway surface. This action necessitated that the road became a *shared surface* for pedestrians and vehicular traffic, and appropriate signage was erected.
- 3.3 The Risk Assessment at Appendix 1 confirms that that although the risk of pedestrians/vehicle conflict has been reduced and is considered to be low, a number of potential options are proposed to address the risk to pedestrians with a permanent solution.
- 3.4 In line with the Council's Asset Management and Capital Planning Guidance, an Outline Business Case (OBC) will be developed by the Network Manager, Neil Brown. The OBC will develop and appraise

options to provide a permanent solution to address the risk of pedestrian/vehicle conflict and pedestrian safety and will identify and appraise the “preferred option” in terms of **impact, affordability, deliverability** and **risk**. The development of the OBC will meet the Council’s Asset Management and Capital Planning timetable for 2011/12.

4.0 APPENDIX

APPENDIX 1 Risk Assessment Kilbride Road, Dunoon

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