



Subject:	Quiet Streets – Rosetta Way; and Controlled Crossing – Knockbreda Road: Response from Department for Infrastructure
Date:	24th November, 2023
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1.0	Purpose of Report/Summary of Main Issues
1.1	To present the response received from the Department of Infrastructure regarding Quiet Streets – Rosetta Way; and Controlled Crossing – Knockbreda Road: Response from Department for Infrastructure.

2.0	Recommendation
2.1	The Committee is asked to note the response.
3.0	Main Report
3.1	<p>Members will recall that the City Growth and Regeneration Committee, at its meeting on 11th October, noted correspondence which had been received from Mr. Graeme Salmon and from Ms. Julie Harrison, dated 4th May and 29th August respectively, in response to the Council's request for a controlled crossing at Knockbreda Road and the creation of a Rosetta Way "Quietway".</p> <p>The Council, at its meeting on 1st November, in considering the minutes of that meeting, agreed that a letter be forwarded to the Department for Infrastructure, calling on it to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. initiate the actions required for the delivery of the Rosetta Way "Quietway"; ii. proceed with the implementation of Quiet Streets/Low Traffic Neighbourhoods and other road safety schemes at a local level, rather than await the outcome of the review of such schemes in England, which had been initiated by the Prime Minister; and iii. provide information on the timeline for the completion of the design and audit of the agreed puffin crossing on the Knockbreda Road and proceed to install the crossing as soon as possible thereafter.
3.3	The Council agreed also that the Department be requested to respond to the correspondence which had been forwarded to it on 11th July, following the adoption by the Standards and Business Committee, on 27th June, of a motion on the Standard of Repairs to Roads and Footpaths.
3.4	Accordingly, Democratic Services wrote to the Permanent Secretary. A response has been received from the Divisional Roads Manager, on his behalf, a copy of which is attached.
3.5	In his response he advises that currently the limited staff resources for active travel in the Belfast area is focused on the delivery of the Belfast Cycling Network Delivery Plan short term scheme list.
3.6	While there are also working closely with councils to better understand their 5-year greenway programme, there is currently no policy for the introduction of 'Quiet Streets', and they have no plans to consider the implementation of any schemes.
3.7	Regarding the controlled crossing on Knockbreda Road. As highlighted in the letter dated 4 May 2023, the Department is now focusing its attention on a crossing situated close to the Knock Eden Park junction on Knockreda Road and have instructed its consultants to carry out the detailed design and a further safety audit for this location.
3.8	He further advises that this has now been received and will be brought before Eastern Divisions approval 'A Group' system, in January 2024. Following this they will write to Belfast City Council to advise on progress and the effect on adjacent residents, so the Council can carry out its consultation.
	<u>Financial and Resource Implications</u>
3.9	None associated with this report.

3.10	<u>Equality or Good Relations Implications/Rural Needs Assessment</u> None associated with this report.
4.0	Document Attached
	Response from the Divisional Roads Manager, Department for Infrastructure