

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PROJECT BRIEF.

INQUIRY INTO CYCLING IN PORTSMOUTH.

1. Background.

At its meeting on 5 August, the Traffic, Environment & Community Safety Scrutiny Panel identified this topic for possible review. It was subsequently considered at the Oversight Panel meeting on 18 September and allocated to the Traffic, Environment & Community Safety Scrutiny Panel's 2008/ 09 work programme.

At its informal meeting on 12 November the Traffic, Environment & Community Safety Scrutiny Panel agreed that the 1st stage of this review would take place at its meeting on 4 December.

2. Objectives of the Inquiry.

- To understand the City Council's commitment to cycling in the city.
- To understand the Government's guidance on the provision of cycle lanes and the Highway Code in relation to cyclists.
- To receive an overview of the cycle lane network in the city.
- To identify the locations of cycle accident hotspots and to examine the contributing factors.
- To evaluate the City Council's work to reduce cycling casualties.
- To examine how the City Council works to prevent cyclists from riding on the pavement.
- To understand the amount of money spent on cycling.

3. Suggested Witnesses.

1. Charlie Stunell, Head of Traffic and Street Management.
2. Simon Moon, Traffic & Road Safety Manager.
3. Angela Gill, Team Manager Traffic Engineering.
4. Jayne Rodgers, Sustainable Transport Officer.
5. Councillor Lynne Stagg, Cabinet Member for Traffic & Transportation.

Next Steps.

This is a Stage 1 scrutiny review and will be dealt with in one or two meetings. If members feel satisfied that their concerns have been adequately dealt with, a short report will then be prepared either to be presented to the Cabinet or to be included in the twice-yearly scrutiny update to Council. However, if members require a more in-depth review of this issue, a project brief will be prepared for a stage 2 review.