

Grange/Prestonfield Community Council Transport Report – February 2013

Blackford/Nether Liberton RPP Scheme

The informal consultation by circular letter to residents about this scheme, now limited to east of Mayfield Road, has now closed. Andrew Mackay, SFC Traffic Orders & Project Development Officer, has told us that the original design of this scheme is being updated as a result of this informal consultation. Also legal stages are in process, which will lead to the formal notification of a TRO designated as TRO/13/07, when objections can be submitted. Prior to this stage it is hoped there will be an opportunity for a public meeting with an exhibition of the detailed drawings and GPCC will continue to press for this. At present it is unclear if this RPP Scheme will be an extension of B1, which GPCC would prefer, or will be a separate area. The Scheme is due for delivery in year 2013/2014.

Priestfield RPP Scheme

We have been told that an informal consultation about this Scheme is about to start with a circular letter to residents, similar to the one referred to above. A plan of the affected area is attached and a copy is in the circulation file. The scope of the scheme will be finally determined as a result of the informal consultation and it will only go ahead if most of the residents want it. If it does go ahead we would hope, as with the Nether Liberton Scheme, to be able to arrange a public meeting to comment on detailed drawings in advance of the formal notification of the TRO, but this is obviously dependent on when they will be available. This scheme is also due for delivery in year 2013/2014 and GPCC is pleased to note the emphasis now being given to this scheme which we have been urging for some years.

Consultation on a New Local Transport Strategy for Edinburgh

This consultation runs until 17th March, that is before our next GPCC meeting, and we have been invited to submit comments. The issues identified are:- Integrated Transport, Supported Bus Services, Speed Limits, School Streets, City Centre Parking, Sunday Parking, Residents' Parking/CPZ, Air Quality and Travel Planning. A copy of the document is in the circulation file and can be accessed via www.edinburgh.gov.uk/localtransportstrategy All comments are welcome for inclusion in any GPCC response.

Traffic Signals at the Fountainhall/Mayfield Road/Ratcliffe Terrace Junction

Work is nearing completion to install "green man" signals at all road crossings and other footway and lighting improvements have been carried out, necessitating temporary road closures.

Family Cycle Network from Pollock Halls to Morningside

We are pleased to see new signage in the Grange area directing cyclists along quieter roads. We have been in touch with Chris Brace, CEC Cycling Officer about attending a meeting. We have agreed with him he will let us know when their initial studies are complete and more advanced design ideas are available.

Bus shelters in West Savile Terrace

Two have now been installed, one on each side of the road

Tony Harris