

AGENDA ITEM: 4

## OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY BOARD

2<sup>ND</sup> MARCH 2011

### TAXI FACILITIES IN CROSSFELL ROAD RE. MORRISONS

#### PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1 To present the Overview and Scrutiny Board with an outline of the purpose of this meeting.

#### RECOMMENDATION

2. Members of the Board are recommended to consider the information presented at the meeting relating to the taxi facilities associated with Crossfell Road adjacent to Morrisons at Berwick Hills.

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- 3 The Overview and Scrutiny Board undertook a site visit to Crossfell Road and Morrisons on 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2011 and have subsequently received information from the Public Protection service regarding the history, provision and application of a proposed Taxi Rank in Crossfell Road.
- 4 The Board requested at their meeting of the 15<sup>th</sup> February 2011 that arrangements be made for representatives of Morrisons to attend this meeting and outline the issues associated with taxi provision in the area, from their perspective. However, representatives from Morrisons Head Office are unable

to attend this meeting but have confirmed their availability and attendance for the Board's next meeting, scheduled for 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2011.

- 5 The Board agreed that should representatives from Morrisons be unable to attend this meeting then the alternative of securing the attendance of the Police and the Council's Transport and Design Service should be sought. In response to that request, those services have been invited to attend this meeting to present detail on various issues regarding safety, control and design etc relating to the area and proposed taxi rank, for the Board's consideration.
- 6 In addition to the above, the Board requested that a plan of the area be provided on the screen in the Mandela room in order that Members can visualise the detail being presented. These arrangements have been made and an aerial picture of the location will be available at the meeting.

### **FUTURE MEETINGS**

- 7 The Board is advised that Morrisons have agreed to attend on the 23<sup>rd</sup> March. However, the Board is requested to indicate the organisation or services they wish to meet on the 13<sup>th</sup> April to ensure the appropriate organisation has sufficient notice and the opportunity to prepare any information they would want to submit for the Board's consideration.

### **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

- 8 No background papers were used in the preparation of this report.

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