

## Agenda Item

### GNLRT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

22<sup>nd</sup> June 2004

#### REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR – CITY DEVELOPMENT

##### NET LINE 1 ISSUES OF CONCERN

At the last meeting of the GNLRT Advisory Committee on the 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2004 concerns were raised (in relation to the progress report) about a number of issues relating to the highway along the tram alignment.

The following table summarises the latest situation in relation to these:

01	A letter to be sent to the Chief Constable expressing the Committee's concerns regarding enforcement of moving traffic offences and the dangerous practice of skateboarders obtaining tows from trams around the Market Square.	A letter has been sent to Nottinghamshire Police dated 11 <sup>th</sup> June 2004
02	A separate meeting be held to discuss safety issues involving the Police	Dates for the meeting have been arranged for the 13 <sup>th</sup> or 14 <sup>th</sup> July 2004, attendance from the Committee needs to be confirmed.
03	Problem of vehicles following the tram on Mount Hooton Road northbound onto the reserved tram alignment	The traffic signs conform to the Traffic Regulation Order and the street lighting has been inspected and confirmed to be in good order. The levels of lighting along the tram route are higher than surrounding streets and following discussions with the tram operator they are not aware of vehicles driving northbound from Mount Hooton Road onto the reserved tram alignment. There are regular meetings with the operator and Arrow to discuss operational issues, and any further reports of vehicles undertaking this manoeuvre will be referred to this group.
04	Skateboarders dangerous practice of hanging onto the rear of trams in the Market Square	The tram operator is aware of isolated incidents, their view is that it would be difficult to address but modifications to vehicles to discourage surfing may have reduced the ability to do this. The issue has been referred to Bernadette Kennedy to raise the issue with street wardens in the area.
05	Signing in the Oakley Estate at Highbury Vale	The Major Projects Team is working with the Tram operator to provide additional signs at this and a number of other locations where problems have been reported. A meeting was held on the 18 <sup>th</sup> June to look at problem sites, further work

		will be required to quantify the works required.
06	Inoperative lights at Lauriston Drive	Street lighting has been provided for the footway near the bridge and tramstop. There was a delay in commissioning these while an electricity supply was provided by EME. This work has now been done and the lighting should be fully operational.
07	Safety Education	Copies of the current years Road Safety Quiz activity sheet will be available at the meeting. This is distributed to all children in Key Stage 2 (age 7 – 11) in City schools and contains information about tram safety as well as general road safety information. The questions in this years Road Safety Quiz covered important tram safety issues such as cycling near tram tracks, the tram's warning bell and signs for pedestrians. The well-received "My First Highway Code" book for parents of five year olds starting school has been reprinted to include safety information about the tram, a copy will be available at the meeting for inspection.

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