## **Bus Stop Proposal**

Councillors are asked to review and reconsider the decision taken at the February Meeting of the PC.

All are agreed to move the bus stops to a single point outside the Galleries Shop/Village Hall and all are agreed that this site needs to be improved before this can happen.

The scheme proposed and now questioned by the Parish Council is supported by the Highways Department of B&NES and by the B&NES Public Transport Officer in these terms:

From a Public Transport viewpoint we are happy with the plan, you'll need to move the bus stop on the other side of the road though.

My only suggestions are that if you are putting in 150mm high kerbs you may want to extend the hardstanding to reach those kerbs then there would be easier boarding for passengers as there would not be as much of a step up onto the bus.

Also if you were to put in a standard traffic pole near the bench the Council will supply a bus stop flag and timetable case.

As for its construction / maintenance requirements your best to check with Stefan.

Regards

Jon

## Jonathan King Public Transport Officer

At the February Meeting Councillor Stevens was asked to contact Stefan Chiffers Chief Engineer Highways Department to gauge his views. He has again reviewed the proposal and comments in these terms:

"I can say that in principle I think it would be a great improvement for bus passengers and I will support this where I can. The only comment I would like to make is with the footway surface material, our normal finish would be tarmac as its longevity is superior over other materials. You may need to discuss this issue further with our highway maintenance team but I believe they would require tarmac as they will be maintaining it future years."

A minimum requirement for any proposal is that it meets the standard required by the Highways Department (who will assume responsibility for its long term maintenance) and that it satisfies the general requirement to providing easy access for all bus users. In light of the views expressed by the Local Authority we invite councillors to review their decision made in February.

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