

REPORT TO:	ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE	AGENDA ITEM: 6
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REPORT FROM:	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR - ENVIRONMENT AND COMMUNITIES	OPEN
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SUBJECT:	REVIEW OF BUS SHELTER MAINTENANCE	
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	ALL	TERMS OF REFERENCE:

1. Recommendations

- 1.1 That Committee approves the termination of all of the Bus Shelter Consents between the Council and Derbyshire County Council.
- 1.2 The Committee approves the ceasing of all Bus Shelter maintenance, repair and cleansing.

2.0 Purpose of the Report

- 2.1 To update the Committee as to the background and current provision of bus shelters across the District.
- 2.2 To agree the future provision of bus shelters for the Council.

3.0 Detail

- 3.1 Concerns have been raised with regard to the lack of bus shelter provision and the standard of shelters within the District. This report outlines the history of bus shelter provision and the options available to the Council moving forward.
- 3.2 This report relates to only bus shelter provision and not bus stops. At the current time, there are 145 bus shelters across the District (Appendix A) and are mainly located along the main arterial routes. The shelters are located at various 'well used' bus stops to provide protection from the elements for users of the bus service.

Background

- 3.3 New bus shelter installation remains a Derbyshire County Council (DCC) Highways function as they support the local travel network. However, the maintenance of some bus shelters was undertaken by this Council's predecessor councils since the early 1950's through written consents with DCC. Further consents were granted following this Council being granted the Highway's Agency provision, this agency agreement was cancelled over a decade ago and all highway provision is now a County Council function.
- 3.4 During the period from the 1950's the predecessor councils and more latterly the Council requested new bus shelters and paid for their installation and upkeep. Over the last several decades 133 consents with DCC have been signed. Since the mid-1990's there has been no new consents signed, Officers suspect that this is due to how the Highways Agency Agreement was operated.
- 3.5 Information received from DCC, indicates that of the 145 bus shelters in the District, presently 130 were funded by the Council and 13 were funded by Parish Councils and only 2 were funded by DCC. There are 133 consents held by the Council and Officers have assessed this list against the information received from the DCC. Presently only 53 relate to existing bus shelters (Appendix B), it is likely that over time bus shelters have been removed and/or replaced in alternative locations.
- 3.6 In regard to the bus shelters funded by the Parish Councils, these currently fall to Council to maintain.

Current Position

- 3.7 Of the 145 bus shelters, only 10 of these are under 5 years old, 20 are under 10 years old, the remaining shelters are over 10 years. There are multiple types of bus shelter in place including powder coated aluminium shelters, old-galvanised aluminium shelters and wooden shelters. Although there are many shelters over 20 years old that do look unattractive, they still protect people from the elements.
- 3.8 The shelters have a mixture of glass and clear polycarbonate windows, a number have lighting and additional advertising boards. The advertising panels require frequent attention, and the electrical installations are in some instances very old. Paint is beginning to peel off in places on a number of shelters and a number of polycarbonate glazing panels are heavily scratched and difficult to see through.
- 3.9 The cleansing of bus shelters was previously carried out by a contractor for a charge, this function was brought in-house in 2022 with the budget saving of £11,000 per annum. Currently cleansing of the shelters is carried out on an annual basis by the Street Cleansing Team and consists of a full jet wash (where able) and graffiti removal.
- 3.10 Damage to bus shelters primarily consists of smashed and damaged windowpanes, replacement panes and costs vary between £150-£200. Repairs to bus shelters are carried out by either a specialist contractor - window installation company, electrician or by Council staff - wooden bus shelters replacement of rotten roofing boards. The annual budget for repairs is £8,000.
- 3.11 New bus shelter installation is carried out DCC, presently it has several new and replacement shelter installations it wishes to carry out in the District. Officers from the DCC are keen for the Council to take on management of the repairs of these new

shelters, however, it is not offering any financial support to undertake the ongoing liability.

- 3.12 Officers have undertaken a benchmarking exercise with neighbouring Local Authorities and asked if they still owned and maintained bus shelters within their Council area. From the authorities that responded, the table below details their current bus shelter provision;

High Peak	Some are DCC, some are Parish but most are HPBC, a contractor jet washes the HPBC ones once a year.
Bolsover District Council	Owned & Maintained by the Parish, Town & District Councils. The District Council Cleanse all the bus shelters in the District.
Amber Valley Borough Council	Owned & maintained by Borough Council. They are cleansed and maintained by an external contractor.
Erewash Borough Council	Owned by Borough and Parish Councils, however maintenance of District shelters was handed back to DCC in the last 12 months. The bus shelters owned by Parish Councils are now maintained and cleansed by Parish Councils.

- 3.13 The proposed recommendation for consideration by the committee is that the Council, terminates each consent. On that basis the DCC or the Parish Council will be required to accept the responsibility to maintain. If the Parish Council accepts responsibility, it will need to apply for a consent from DCC. If DCC does not want to be responsible for each bus shelter, DCC will need to ask us to remove the Shelters, and we would be required to do so. The Parish Councils will be responsible for maintenance, repair and cleansing of the Shelters listed in Appendix A as belonging to a Parish Council. Officers will contact Parish Councils to advise of the implications of the Council's decision. Namely that Parish Councils can approach DCC for a Consent and if granted undertake the repair, maintain and cleanse Shelters where the Consent was formerly with the Council or that Parish Councils will need to repair, maintain and cleanse where the Consent was between it and DCC as the Council is no longer repairing, maintaining or cleansing these Shelters.

4.0 Financial Implications

- 4.1 The current annual budget for bus shelter maintenance is £8,000 per annum, cleansing of the bus shelters is covered under the general functions of the street cleansing team and is 3 weeks work for a team of 2 circa £3,500 in salary.
- 4.2 The average cost of repairs per bus shelter is circa £200 per annum and on average there is 150 incidences of damage per annum. At least two thirds of these are in-house repairs at no additional cost, the remainder require an external specialist at additional cost. Current repairs are funded up to the £8,000 budget limit. The actual cost of repairing the bus shelters is projected based on historical repairs at £11,000 per annum.
- 4.3 Replacement bus shelters vary in cost significantly dependent on style and function, the average cost is circa £6,000 per shelter. Unless part of an insurance claim the Council has not funded any replacement shelters for several years.

- 4.4 If the committee take forward the recommendation, it is proposed that the existing annual maintenance budget to £8,000 be used to fund the removal of bus shelters if needed.

5.0 Corporate Implications

Employment Implications

- 5.1 None.

Legal Implications

- 5.2 Bus Shelters have been erected on Highway land by DCC granting consents to either the Council or Parish Councils. These consents require the Council to maintain the Shelters. If the Council was to terminate these consents DCC could request that the Shelters are removed by the Council.

Corporate Plan Implications

- 5.2 The proposals align with the key Council Plan aim TC2 - Effective management of services ensuring financial resilience. By reviewing the Councils commitment and maintenance responsibilities for bus shelters from 2025/2026, the Council will ensure the correct use of budget.

Risk Impact

- 5.3 The cessation of the bus shelter agreements with the County Council may lead to the removal of shelters in the future.

6.0 Community Implications

Consultation

- 6.1 None required.

Equality and Diversity Impact

- 6.2 None

Social Value Impact

- 6.3 None

Environmental Sustainability

- 6.4 None.

7.0 Background papers

- 7.1 None.

Appendix A

South Derbyshire area bus shelters 2024	
AREA AND LOCATION	OWNER OF SHELTER
Aston, Weston Road opp 75	South Derbyshire District Council
Aston, Weston Road, opp Yates avenue	South Derbyshire District Council
Aston, Derby Road opp 48	South Derbyshire District Council
Aston, Derby Road adj Pump cottages	
Barrow on Trent, Swarkestone Road adj 79	South Derbyshire District Council
Barrow on trent, adj Sinfin Lane	South Derbyshire District Council
Barrow on Trent, adj 16 Twyford Road	South Derbyshire District Council
Boundary, A511 Ashby Road opp. Heath La.	South Derbyshire District Council
Bretby, Industrial Estate A511 (Ashby bound)	South Derbyshire District Council
Bretby, Industrial Estate A511 (Burton bound)	South Derbyshire District Council
Bretby, Ashby Road East os Stanhope Arms	South Derbyshire District Council
Bretby, Ashby Road East opp Stanhope Arms	South Derbyshire District Council
Bretby, Ashby Road East, opp chesterfield arms	South Derbyshire District Council
Burnaston, A516 opp Dee Lane	South Derbyshire District Council
Castle Gresley, opp 136 Mount Pleasant Road	South Derbyshire District Council
Castle Gresley, os 17 Burton Road	South Derbyshire District Council
Castle Gresley, opp 112 Burton Road	South Derbyshire District Council
Castle Gresley, Burton Rd near Mount Road	South Derbyshire District Council
Castle Gresley, Burton Road adj Swadlincote Lane	South Derbyshire District Council
Church Gresley, Castle Road - Adj to Drum and Monkey	South Derbyshire District Council
Church Gresley, Castle Road - Opp Drum and Monkey	South Derbyshire District Council
Chruch Gresley, Coppice side	South Derbyshire District Council
Church Gresley, opp 57 Market Place	South Derbyshire District Council
Church Gresley, Church St./ George St (Brick Row)	South Derbyshire District Council
Church Gresley, Market St, jnc York Road	South Derbyshire District Council
Chruch Gresley, os 163 Chruch street	South Derbyshire District Council
Coton in the elms, jtn Elms Road	South Derbyshire District Council
Coton in the elms, Church Street Jtn Mill Street	South Derbyshire District Council
Dove Valley Park, Pakenham BVD	South Derbyshire District Council
Egginton, Main Street, opp jc Duck Street	Eggington Parish Council
Egginton, Church Road, adj to Smedley Court opp 35	South Derbyshire District Council
Elvaston, London Road opp. Golden Gates	South Derbyshire District Council
Elvaston, Shardlow Rd adj The Greenway	Elvaston Parish Council
Etwall, Hilton Rd Leisure Centre (<i>fuse in 42470</i>)	South Derbyshire District Council
Etwall, Eggington Rd, nr junction Etwall Rd	South Derbyshire District Council
Etwall, Main Street opp Spread Eagle PH	South Derbyshire District Council
Etwall, Main Street Jtn Sutton Lane	South Derbyshire District Council
Etwall, Main Street, outside 34 & 36 wooden	Etwall Parish Council
Findern Heath Lane, A50 Bridge to Derby (<i>fuse in 129431</i>)	South Derbyshire District Council
Findern Heath Lane, A50 Bridge-Southbound- (<i>fuse in 129430</i>)	South Derbyshire District Council
Findern opp The Green (Doles Lane)	Findern Parish Council
Findern The Green	South Derbyshire District Council
Findern, Burton Road opp Garden Centre	Findern Parish Council
Findern, Doles Lane adj. Barn Close	South Derbyshire District Council
Findern, Doles Lane opp. 166	South Derbyshire District Council
Findern, Doles Lane opp. Barn Close	South Derbyshire District Council
Foston A50, near Footbridge Westbound, (was 122889)	South Derbyshire District Council
Foston Village, Uttoxeter Road	South Derbyshire District Council
Foston Village, Uttoxeter Rd-Eastbound(<i>fuse in 105259 via 4298</i>)	South Derbyshire District Council
Foston, Dove Valley Park, Pakenham Boulevard	South Derbyshire District Council
Hartshorne A514 - opp The Rodney PH	South Derbyshire District Council
Hartshorne Village A514 adj. Admiral Rodney Pub	South Derbyshire District Council
Hartshorne, Main Street adj church street	South Derbyshire District Council
Hartshorne, Woodville Rd opp Tower Road	South Derbyshire District Council
Hartshorne, adj 11 Goseley Avenue	South Derbyshire District Council
Hartshorne, opp 27 Elmsdale Road	South Derbyshire District Council
Hartshorne, os 239 Woodville Road	South Derbyshire District Council

Hatton 33, Uttoxeter Road, Filling Station	South Derbyshire District Council
Hatton -Station Rd (near All Saints Church)	South Derbyshire District Council
Hatton, Station Rd adj Church Avenue	South Derbyshire District Council
Hatton Station Road opp Salt Box	South Derbyshire District Council
Hatton, 127, Station Rd (nr. Yew Tree Rd)	South Derbyshire District Council
Hatton, Station Rd / Scropton Rd	South Derbyshire District Council
Hatton, Station Road adj Salt Box	South Derbyshire District Council
Hilton(Talbot Farm) Derby Road jct A5132	South Derbyshire District Council
Hilton, Egginton Rd / New Road - Drs Surgery	South Derbyshire District Council
Hilton, Main St Kings Head	South Derbyshire District Council
Hilton, Main St opp. Kings Head	South Derbyshire District Council
Hilton, Main St opposite Old Talbot	South Derbyshire District Council
Hilton, The Mease fuse in 124498	South Derbyshire District Council
Linton, Hillside Road adj Coton park	South Derbyshire District Council
Linton Main Street adj Weatherfield -new BSW	Linton Parish Council
Linton Main Street adj Windsor Road -new BSW	South Derbyshire District Council
Linton Red Lion	South Derbyshire District Council
Linton. 55, Coton Park near Linton.	South Derbyshire District Council
Linton, Linton Heath near A444	South Derbyshire District Council
Lullington, Main street opp old post office	
Melbourne, Derby Road adj cockshut lane	South Derbyshire District Council
Melbourne, Church street/Market place	Melbourne Parish Council
Melbourne Derby Rd - adj Lampad Close	South Derbyshire District Council
Midway, os 119 Salisbury Drive	South Derbyshire District Council
Midway, Burton Road adj springfield road	South Derbyshire District Council
Netherseal, 35 Main Street - wooden bus shelter	South Derbyshire District Council
Newhall, High Street opp Maypole Hill	South Derbyshire District Council
Newhall, os 10 High street	South Derbyshire District Council
Newhall, High Street opp Beards Road	South Derbyshire District Council
Newhall - Bretby Road (Thorn Tree Pub)	South Derbyshire District Council
Newton Solney, Main Street - Wooden	South Derbyshire District Council
Newton Solney, Repton Road opp Unicorn Inn	South Derbyshire District Council
Overseal - 223, Burton Road westbound A444	South Derbyshire District Council
Overseal - Burton Road adj. Co-op westbound A444	South Derbyshire District Council
Overseal - Burton Road opp. Church A444	South Derbyshire District Council
Overseal, Burton Road opp 350	South Derbyshire District Council
Overseal, os 177 Burton Road	South Derbyshire District Council
Overseal, adj 6 Woodville Road	South Derbyshire District Council
Overseal, 362 Burton Road	South Derbyshire District Council
Repton Cross, Main St.	South Derbyshire District Council
Repton, Willington Road	South Derbyshire District Council
Rosliston, Coton Lane	South Derbyshire District Council
Rosliston, Village Green next to Old Plough Pub	South Derbyshire District Council
Rosliston, Co-op Main Street	South Derbyshire District Council
Shardlow, opp 6 London Road	South Derbyshire District Council
Shardlow, London Road opp Wilne Lane	South Derbyshire District Council
Shardlow, London Road, Shakespeare Inn (<i>moved from Sawley</i>)	South Derbyshire District Council
Shardlow, London Road opp Shardlow Manor	South Derbyshire District Council
Stanton, adj 205 Woodland Road	South Derbyshire District Council
Stanton near Swadlincote, A444 Happy Chef (opp Manor Close)	South Derbyshire District Council
Stanton by Bridge, A514 opp the woodlands	South Derbyshire District Council
Stanton by Bridge, A514 os stable cottage	South Derbyshire District Council
Stenson Fields - Stenson Road adj Pilgrims way	South Derbyshire District Council
Stenson Fields Grampian Way o/s 297	South Derbyshire District Council
Stenson Fields Wragley Way near Beaufort Road	South Derbyshire District Council
Stenson Fields Wragley Way nr. Quantock Close	South Derbyshire District Council
Swadlincote - Burton Road o/s Midway PH	South Derbyshire District Council
Swadlincote, Hearthcote Road adj Brook Street	South Derbyshire District Council
Swadlincote - Civic Way	South Derbyshire District Council

Swadlincote Bus Station 1	South Derbyshire District Council
Swadlincote Bus Station 2	South Derbyshire District Council
Swadlincote Bus Station 3	South Derbyshire District Council
Swadlincote Bus Station 4	South Derbyshire District Council
Swadlincote Bus Station 5	South Derbyshire District Council
Swarkestone, Derby Road opp Church Lane	South Derbyshire District Council
Swarkeston, opp: Crewe & Harpur Arms	South Derbyshire District Council
Thulston London Rd layby adj. Aston Turn	South Derbyshire District Council
Thulston London Rd layby opp. Aston Turn	South Derbyshire District Council
Ticknall - Ashby Rd adj Lavender Cottage (opp no.23)	South Derbyshire District Council
Ticknall - 26 High Street	South Derbyshire District Council
Ticknall, Main street adj Church street	South Derbyshire District Council
Ticknall - Main St adj Ingleby Lane	South Derbyshire District Council
Ticknall, 173 Main street	South Derbyshire District Council
Walton on Trent Main Street, opp Coton Road	South Derbyshire District Council
Weston on trent, Weston Road the green	Weston on Trent Parish Council
Weston on trent, adj Village Hall	Weston on Trent Parish Council
Willington - Canal Bridge adj to The Green Man PH	South Derbyshire District Council
Willington, Canal Bridge adj The Rising Sun	South Derbyshire District Council
Willington - Repton Road adj Beech Avenue repton bound	Willington Parish Council
Willington - Repton Road opp Beech Avenue	Willington Parish Council
Willington - Repton Road opp Hall Lane	Willington Parish Council
Willington - Willington Road - Mercia Marina	Willington Parish Council
Woodville, 150 Swadlincote Road	South Derbyshire District Council
Woodville - A511 High St opp War Memorial	South Derbyshire District Council
Woodville - A511 High Street / Sun St	South Derbyshire District Council
Woodville Hartshorne Rd Toll Gate - Towards Derby	South Derbyshire District Council
Woodville Hartshorne Rd Toll Gate - Towards Swadlincote	South Derbyshire District Council
Woodville, Swadlincote Rd - Tollgate	South Derbyshire District Council

Appendix B

Location of Shelters remaining from 1955 to 1992	
AREA	LOCATION
Aston on Trent	opp 75 Weston road
Bretby	Asby Road opposite Stanhope Arms
Bretby	Asby Road (nr Stanhope Arms)
Castle Gresley	Burton Road
Castle Gresley	opp Cadley hill Road A444
Church Gresley	Church Street
Church Gresley	Church Street opp no 167
Church Gresley	Market Street
Egginginton	Main Street (opp junction with Duck Street)
Finden	The Green
Hartshorne	Woodville Road
Hartshorne	East side of Main Road opp the Admiral Rodney
Hartshorne	Eastern side of Goseley
Hatton	Station Road nr Cchurch Av
Hatton	Sation Road nr Scropton lane adj Salt Box Café
Hatton	Station Roadnr Scropton Lane
Linton	Main Street nr Windor Road
Linton	Linton Heath
Linton	Hillside Road Road nr junction with Ccoton Park
Linton	Red Lion, Main Street
Lullington	opp Village Green
Melbourne	Derby Road junction with Cockshutt Lane
Midway	Burton Road
Midway	Salisbury Drive (opp junction Lichfield Av
Netherseal	main Street (Easterly side of High St)
Newhall	High Street / Bretby Road
Newton Solney	36 Main Stret
Overseal	225 Burton Road
Overseal	Burton Road (nr old Midland Auto Garage)
Overseal	Burton Road (opp no 163)
Overseal	North east of MainStreet (adj to old Midland Auto Garage)
Overseal	Burton Road outside no 362
Overseal	Woodville Road outside no 4
Repton	East and West side the Cross
Rosliston	South side of Main st (nr old Yew Tree Farm)
Rosliston	Main St (nr the Old Plough inn
Rosliston	Coton Lane
Stanton	opp 233 Woodlands Rd
Swarkstone	Outside the Crewe and Harpur
Swwadlincote	Coppice Side
Ticknall	nr Church La
Ticknall	High st opp no 31
Ticknall	High st corner of Ingleby La
Thulston	London Rd
Walton-on-Trent	Northery sid of Burton rd (outside old Rectory)
Willington	Adj the Rising Sun inn
Willington	Repton rd (opp juncction with Hall rd
Woodville	Swadlincote rd Tollgate
Woodville	Hartshorne rd (nr with Burton rd)
Woodville	High st (opp War Memorial)
Woodville	Swadlincote rd (nr Clock Garage)
Woodville	Hartshorne rd (opp no 20)
Woodville	High st (nr sun st)