

## Transport Report

March 2024

Bus shelter at the top of Grimston Lane, Ipswich bound has finally been installed with costs covered by the developer of the Lilacs.

Digital timetable apparatus to be installed at all four new bus shelters in the next couple of months. Costs covered by Poppyfields and Lilacs developers.

Printed timetables will remain in place, including the one finally put up in the shelter opposite the Sports and Social Club!

Information regarding FACTS has been obtained and posters will be put up in shelters and other locations once they have been completed.

Attended Felixstowe Travel Watch meeting where representatives from First Bus Company were the main speakers.

One of the speakers mentioned about some developers not conforming to Transport Assessment Requirements. I didn't fully understand this, so duly emailed First Bus Co asking them to explain as I wasn't able to at the meeting.

---"First Bus Co are contacted quite regularly, either directly by developer, or through the LTA requesting information on how their bus services could be altered or additions made so developments can improve the sustainable travel options. First Bus Co then work out best way a service could be introduced plus costings.

This information is taken forward, along with recommendation from SCC to the local planning authority where they make outline or final planning decision. It is here that First Bus Co would expect to see that providing an agreed bus service is integral to planning permission and reinforced through a S106 agreement, and financial obligations the developer is expected to make are laid out.

Unfortunately there have been too many developments being granted planning permission without any provision set aside to introduce bus services. This includes Trelawny Place ---".

I have asked a number of Councillors to look into this and hope for some answers at our next Trimley St Martin Parish Council meeting (April).

Councillor D'arville

