

Foi Enquiries

From: Foi Enquiries
Sent: 14 March 2019 14:12
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: FOI-19-0279 - Westburn Road
Attachments: V2 - Further Information - Right to Review & Appeal.pdf

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your information request of 18 February 2019. Aberdeen City Council (ACC) has completed the necessary search for the information requested. Our response is now detailed below.

Does Aberdeen City Council determine the classification of roads?

Yes

What is the reasoning behind the classification of Westburn Drive?

It is considered a significant road that provides large-scale transport links within or between areas. Specifically, the A978 provides an inner orbital route to the west of the city centre and east of Anderson Drive. It connects St Machar Drive, Leslie Road, Hilton Street, Westburn Drive, Argyll Place, Craigie Loanings, Albert Street, Waverley Place, Victoria Street, and Alford Place. There are busy interchanges on the route where it intersects with the other major routes of the A944 and A96. The A978 serves the communities of Hilton, Kittybrewster, Rosemount and the city centre, and in terms of principal destinations serves the city centre and the University of Aberdeen.

It's of note the roads hierarchy is currently under review to take into account the opening of the Aberdeen Western Peripheral Route and its effect of the wider road network. In this regard, a report on this matter can be viewed by way of the following internet link (See Item 31): -

<https://committees.aberdeencity.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=503&MId=4321&Ver=4>

A further report on the roads hierarchy is likely to go to the Council Operational Delivery Committee later this year (possibly May). The agenda/reports, when published, for upcoming committees can be viewed by way of the following internet link: -

<https://committees.aberdeencity.gov.uk/ieListMeetings.aspx?CommitteeId=619>

Is Aberdeen City Council responsible for the maintenance of Westburn Drive?

Yes

Have the council considered traffic calming methods on Westburn Drive?

The council have not considered introducing traffic calming measures on Westburn Drive. Specifically, when considering the status of this road, whereby it acts as a significant distributor road, the introduction of physical traffic calming measures, such as road humps, chicanes etc. would not be appropriate, this is due to both the volume and types of traffic it carries e.g. commuter, freight, public transport, emergency services etc.

INFORMATION ABOUT THE HANDLING OF YOUR REQUEST

ACC handled your request for information in accordance with the provisions of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002. Please refer to the attached PDF for more information about your rights under FOISA.

We hope this helps with your request.

Yours sincerely,



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