

FAIRVIEW ROAD, WILTON

SITE VISIT 16th SEPTEMBER 2002 COMMENCING AT 8.00 am

Described below are details of the route assessed previously as 'safe' by two Education Transport Officers and the Road Safety Officer. The walk on 16th September was also completed by several members of the Regulatory Committee, prior to consideration at Committee 9th October.

**ROUTE ASSESSED: FAIRVIEW ROAD, THE AVENUE, A36, ROMAN ROAD,
PEMBROKE ROAD, RAWLENCE ROAD, WESTWOOD ROAD,
SCHOOL ENTRANCE**

From Fairview Road in Wilton, turn left along The Avenue for a short distance. The safest crossing point at the end of The Avenue is just before the roundabout, where traffic speeds are lower because vehicles are approaching or leaving the Roundabout. It is only necessary to cross one carriageway at a time, owing to the traffic island in the middle of The Avenue at this point.

Having crossed The Avenue, the walk proceeds along the A36 on the left-hand pavement. A few yards after crossing, the bus stop is located. This is where pupils can catch the fare-paying service that takes them directly to the school campus. The walk continues straight along the A36, with a firm pavement of adequate width.

At the junction with the Quidhampton turning, there is a pedestrian-controlled crossing with a central elongated traffic island. Having crossed the A36 at this point, the walk continues along firm and wide pavement again, and negotiates two minor road crossings at Foots Hill and Skew Road (both coming up from the village of Quidhampton). The pavement continues over Skew Bridge and then a Pelican Crossing is reached which facilitates easy crossing of the A36 over to Roman Road.

After just a few yards, it is necessary to cross Roman Road (outside the Newsagent) and there are several different points at which this can be done. At the start of Roman Road, there is a traffic island and this can be used to cross the road which means that traffic only has to be monitored in one direction at a time. Roman Road can also be crossed further up, without the assistance of the traffic island. There are parked cars here and these can obscure the view, needing extra care when crossing. Having crossed into Pembroke Road, this road can be crossed in several places before it reaches the junction with Rawlence Road. This road stretches into Westwood Road, and the school campus is found on the left.

A map showing the route assessed is at **Appendix 1 to Annex 1** of this report. The location of Penning Road, which was visited by Members in July 2002, is also denoted on that map. Details of the Penning Road track, and proposals for upgrading, are given in the report of 15th May 2002 which is appended at **Annex 1**.