Dear Darren

I am writing regarding the Public Accounts Committee’s recent question relating to Fabian Way in Swansea.

Exploratory discussions were held with Swansea City and Neath Port Talbot Councils regarding the potential trunking of Fabian Way during 2014. The progression of proposals to potentially trunk Fabian Way and four other sections of the local road network were identified in the Draft National Transport Plan published in December 2014.

Officials at Swansea and Neath Port Talbot have both been supportive of the trunking proposal and have provided sufficient information to enable due diligence to be carried out. Further meetings and data collection will be carried out this summer to enable a detailed assessment and evaluation of the proposal to be prepared. If progressed, it should be possible to complete trunking by the end of 2016 subject to satisfactory completion of associated statutory processes.

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