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**IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT
PROPOSED HIGHWAY
IMPROVEMENTS**

Telephone No:

Website: www.A457route87.co.uk

Date: January 2010

Dear Sir/Madam

Route 87 Route Improvement Consultation Proposals

Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council are developing proposals for improvements along the A457 and Bus Route 87. These will help with congestion and safety issues for all traffic, looking at measures to improve journeys for public transport, private vehicles and pedestrians.

Between 24th September and 1st November 2008, Sandwell MBC ran a Public Consultation on proposals to improve the A457 and Route 87 Bus Service. Further to this previous round of consultation, Sandwell MBC are now undertaking local consultation on proposed improvements at the followings junctions:

1. Crockett's Lane/High Street junction.

Delays eastbound at the Crockett's Lane/Cooper's Lane junction attributed to right turning traffic into Cooper's Lane.

Improvements include:

- Proposed junction widening to accommodate right turn filter lane into Cooper's Lane.
- MOVA signal upgrade of signals to improve efficiency
- Signal controlled pedestrian crossing facilities.

2. A4030 High Street/B4169 High Street junction:

Delays to buses exiting B4169 High Street eastbound, due to right turning traffic into B4169 High Street obstructing the exiting traffic.

Improvements include:

- Proposed right turn ban into B4169 High Street.

3. Fenton Street/St Paul's Road junction.

Delays to buses turning into and out of Fenton Street, due to volume of traffic along St Paul's Road

Improvements include:

- Proposed mini-roundabout in place of existing priority junction operation.
- Proposed one-way system along Bertram Road, travelling away from St Paul's Road.
- Proposed raised entry treatment on St Paul's Road (High Street side).
- Restricted parking on approaches to the junction.

Enclosed with this letter is a plan showing the proposed scheme improvements. We would welcome your comments and would ask you to spend a little time completing the enclosed questionnaire, and return in the enclosed pre-paid envelope.

This can also be done online on the dedicated website www.A457route87.co.uk. Your views will be considered in the development of the scheme.

If you have any queries, please write to:

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Yours sincerely



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