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Comhairle Aonghais

CHIEF EXECUTIVE
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Dear Mr Anderson

FRIOCKHEIM PRIMARY SCHOOL – FARNELL ROAD CROSSING

I am writing in response to your correspondence regarding concerns with crossing across Farnell Road between Friockheim Primary School and the playpark. Please accept my apologies for the delay in responding.

Angus Council's Traffic and Transport team have carried out a school crossing patrol survey of this crossing and the results and subsequent assessment confirmed that pedestrian volumes did not meet the required level for consideration of a school crossing patroller or other formal crossing point.

Officers from the Education and Lifelong Learning and Roads Services attended a meeting with the Friockheim Primary School Parent Teacher Partnership on 28 February 2020 to discuss parking and road safety concerns associated with the school drop-off and pick-up.

It was made clear by the officers at this meeting that if parents choose to use their car to drop off or pick up their child, the preferred location to do so is Kinnaird Crescent as opposed to the playpark car park, directly adjacent to the school frontage. It was noted that Angus Council had safety concerns regarding the crossing of Farnell Road at times of school activity, due to evidence of high speeds on Farnell Road, the lack of formal crossing facilities, i.e. footpath on the park side, lack of visibility for pedestrians and traffic and the lack of a designated, formal pedestrian access to the school at the frontage. Kinnaird Crescent continues to be Angus Council's preferred location for crossing to the school.

Angus Council's focus is on encouraging Active Travel as a means to get pupils to and from school. A travel plan group has been set up and is discussing the option of creating a 'walking bus' for pupils. Progress has been slowed by the current pandemic, but we are continuing to engage with the school.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Stuart Gray', with a horizontal line underneath.

Stuart Gray
Team Leader – School Operations