

**Request by Member for Scrutiny Review
2009/10 Work Programme**



Please complete the form below to request consideration of your issue by the
Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Proposers Name: Roland Frankel	Date of Request 12 April 2010
Supporting Councillors (if any): Cllr Janet Whitehouse Cllr Derek Jacobs Cllr Peter Spencer Cllr Ann Haigh	
Summary of Issue you wish to be scrutinised: Powers used by the Utilities to work on the Public Highway. It appears that the “privatised” utilities are able to organise works to minimise their costs, leaving excavations unattended and unfinished at the expense of the environment, travelling public and businesses.	
<p align="center">NOTE: ENTRIES BELOW RELATE TO ISSUE CATEGORIES OF THE PICK PROCESS. PLEASE REFER TO THE EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THIS FORM FOR FURTHER INFORMATION</p>	
Public Interest Justification: On many occasions it can be seen that traffic controls are left in place for days when no workers are present. This can even be on busy roads causing congestion and inconveniencing the public.	

Impact on the social, economic and environmental well-being of the area:

The congestion caused damage to the environment from vehicle emissions particularly stop/start traffic. It is costing road users money in time wasted on journeys and fuel wasted.

The cost to businesses and shops in the area due to delays in van deliveries and customers not able to access towns.

Damage is caused to roads and is not fully repaired until the road is resurfaced.

Council Performance in this area (if known: Red, Amber, Green):

Not known but current procedures do not appear to be effective.

Keep in Context (are other reviews taking place in this area?)

Report to Local Highways but no further work planned.

Office Use:

Pick score:

Considered By OSCC: