

**PE1223/KKK**

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Dear Andrew,

I write to provide you with an update following my letter of 19 December regarding Public Petition PE1223 and the Glasgow trials of enhanced school transport signage, which you indicated that the Public Petitions Committee may wish to be kept abreast of.

I can confirm that Transport Scotland have now commissioned ODS Consulting to provide expert analytical support to Glasgow City Council for the pilot, in order to help ensure a robust and comprehensive evidence base is gathered in relation to best practice in this area.

Glasgow City Council have undertaken preparatory work and drafted a range of proposals which will be taken forward under guidance from ODS Consulting. The parties concerned are meeting in January. Trials and research will be conducted over the coming months with an evaluation report due to be completed by late summer.

Transport Scotland is confident that this pilot will make a valuable contribution to our knowledge base on these matters, in order to help keep Scotland's school pupils safe on the journey to and from school. An endeavour which I know the Public Petitions Committee shares.

I hope this information is useful.

Yours sincerely,

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