

THE REIGATE SOCIETY

AB REPORT No.2 THE TRANSPORT HUB ROAD SAFETY and ACCIDENT COST CONSIDERATIONS

Department for Transport ROAD CASUALTIES in GB. (Year 2008)

1.0 Personal Injury road traffic accidents reported in Great Britain;

1.1 There were **170,591** road injury accident reported by the Police of these **25,462** involved death or serious injury.

1.2 There were **16,297** injury accidents to pedal cyclists, of these **2,565** involved death or serious injury.

2.0 **In Greater London** the TRL. Study indicated that in the year reviewed the Police reported **44,500** casualties. However the Hospitals reported that they treated many more and the TRL reports that the figure should be in the region of **68,500** injured on London's roads. The suggested reason being that some of those injured do not report their accident to the Police.

Approximately **30 %** of all accidents involved Two Wheeled Vehicles.

3.0 **In Surrey** the Police reported **5,939** injury accidents in 2008, of these **528** involved death or serious injury.

4.0 In considering:-

- 4.1 The predicted long term rise in fuel and transport costs.
- 4.2 The need to promote a **safe** low carbon emission means of transport.
- 4.3 The proposed housing expansion scheme with its priority for three bedroom units within this and adjacent Districts.
- 4.4 The proposed development related population increase.
- 4.5 The need to provide factory, office, school, and other community services.
- 4.6 The need to provide adequate and **safe** access to the **HUB**.

It is suggested and Recommended that:-

A **safe** network of cycle / pedestrian routes be considered, planned and progressively established in advance of the proposed housing, office, school, and community related developments.

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For and on behalf of the Reigate Society Transport Committee