Appendix E

Councillors' comments	Officer response
That the proposed disabled drop off bay could be better located and if so would reduce the length of a car journey to drop off a disabled person at the station.	We considered the issues relating to disabled drop off bays last year in response to concerns you raised from local residents (see attached correspondence). This scheme was designed to complement the recent works to the station and the proposed location is directly outside the new Denmark Hill station entrance, in order to minimise the distance needing to be covered between being dropped off and accessing the station. Also, the proposed new arrangements are the optimum based on the location of the new step free access to the new Denmark Hill station entrance and the existing constraints on disabled access on Champion Park. However, all our schemes are subject to post implementation review and we are always open to further improvements if deemed necessary to accommodate mobility impaired residents.
The telephone box on the opposite side of Champion Park needs to be removed to help declutter the pavement.	We note the comments on removing the telephone box. Unfortunately removing the telephone box on Champion Park is outside the scope and budget for the proposed scheme as it is intended as a station accessibility improvement project to improve links to the new entrance. I understand this might be disappointing for residents but hopefully they will appreciate that schemes must have a definite limit to their scope and boundary to allow us to have good budgetary control. However, it can be considered as part of any future review of decluttering streets. I would add that historically it has proved notoriously difficult to remove or relocate telephone boxes.
The Sheffield stands on Champion Park need to be relocated to help declutter the pavement.	The council does not really see a cycle stand as street clutter, which is defined as <i>unnecessary</i> street furniture. Providing facilities to allow people to make journeys using multiple modes of sustainable transport is very important for reducing motor vehicle traffic on our roads (e.g. interchanging between cycling and the train). The cycle stands are located in one of the widest sections of unobstructed footway close to the station and do not pose a significant restriction to the footway space. We need to provide more cycle facilities to align with the Council delivery plan target to encourage sustainable travel, so would be reluctant to remove stands from a location that does not really cause any detriment. If there are any suggestions of a better location, which still serves the station, then we would provide additional stands there too as part of these station access improvements, as the current facilities are clearly well used and could usefully be expanded.