

Summary of A595 Action Committee Minutes
Meeting on 27th March 2014

Response from Cumbria County Council

Letter received 27th March 2014 in respect of the requests arising from the A595 Public Meeting re Request for **Grizebeck to Kirkby bypass** to be put on Cumbria's Forward Capital Programme 2013-2026
CCC response – **No** - not a priority - too many other improvements needed, no money

Request to **prepare options and costs for a bypass**.

CCC response – **No** – a Grizebeck –Kirkby bypass assessment scores low on safety, journey time improvement and benefits for the local economy.

Request for proposal for a **short term fix prior** to sorting a bypass.

CCC response – **No** – not possible.

Request for proposals for **speed controls and a safe crossing** in Kirkby in Furness.

CCC response – **No** – Funding was sought via the Local Area Committee but was later refused.

Request **for records of previous proposals** for a bypass.

CCC response – only a previous plan dated 2012 with minimal detail was supplied.

The A595 Action Committee has concluded that doing nothing in response to the above is not acceptable because of the remit given by this community at the Public Meeting 20th November 2013. An approach has been made to our MP John Woodcock and Furness Enterprise representing the business community. Both have responded positively and offered support to the Committee. The A595 Action Committee is inviting key stakeholders and decision makers to a Site Meeting in June 2014 to negotiate a way forward. The outcome of this meeting will be presented to the community in the near future.

Bus Shelter in Kirkby in Furness - aimed at secondary school children waiting for the school buses was requested at the Public Meeting. Kirkby Ireleth Parish Council believes funds are available via Councillor David Fletcher and this is moving forward.

Speed Controls and a Safe Crossing – Cumbria County Council has agreed to place tubes on the road at various locations in Kirkby and Grizebeck to measure numbers and speed of vehicles. It was reported that Councillor David Fletcher is pursuing this issue as well as a safe crossing near the school supported by Kirkby Ireleth Parish Council.