

Questions to Cabinet

Responses for the Cabinet Meeting on 4 May 2023

1.	Questioner: County Councillor Jeff Couperthwaite	Respondent: County Councillor Rupert Swarbrick
	<p>Item 8 - Bamber Bridge Bus Stop Upgrade</p> <p>It is great news for Bamber Bridge residents that we are to get two shiny new Bus stops close to our Railway Station.</p> <p>Could you please explain the rationale however, as to why we need two extra stops rather than replacing existing ones? Residents feel we have enough bus stops.</p>	<p>Not all of the bus stops serve the same bus routes. The additional bus stop near Hopwood Street would help to serve improved bus / rail interchange links. The relocation of the existing bus stop at Edward Street to the proposed location at Smithy Street provides a more consistent spacing between bus stops. Without the intermediate bus stop near Smithy Street, the remaining two stops would be approximately 450m apart, where accessible bus stop guidance recommends a maximum spacing of 400m.</p> <p>The bus stops also include installing raised kerbs to provide level access for wheelchair/buggy users. Additionally, installing clearway road markings helps prevent vehicles from obstructing bus access, helping to comply with the Equality Act 2010, and improving egress / traffic flows for public transport.</p>

