

**COUNCIL:**

**18 JULY 2019**

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**PUBLIC QUESTION 2**

**QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR CARO WILD  
(CABINET MEMBER FOR STRATEGIC PLANNING AND  
TRANSPORT)**

**PUBLIC QUESTION FROM MIA REES**

Last year, a lady died following a collision with a vehicle on Merthyr Road, outside Ararat Baptist Church, as she stepped out to cross the road. Ararat Baptist Church is popular and runs many activities from its large and successful Centre for the Community, drawing people from all parts of the area. Many, young and old, come from the large housing area to the south of Merthyr Road, using the paths across the common and have to cross the wide and busy Merthyr Road to get to the centre. There is a refuge in the centre of the road, but it's about 40m away from the end of the path and in the opposite direction. PACT and local Councillors are asking for a crossing, but the community needs improved safety at this crossing urgently.

How quickly will the council agree to the provision of a simple zebra crossing linking the paths both sides of the common and provide the necessary finance?