HSE to prosecute Cambridgeshire County Council over busway deaths

A Health and Safety Executive (HSE) prosecution is being brought against Cambridgeshire County Council following the deaths of three people in separate incidents, and the life-changing injuries sustained by a fourth person in a collision, on Cambridgeshire Guided Busway.

Jennifer Taylor, 81, died when she was hit by a bus as she crossed the busway on foot at Fen Drayton on 17 November 2015.

Steve Moir, 50, a cyclist, died after colliding with a bus on the section of the busway between Cambridge railway station and Long Road on 13 September 2018.

Kathleen Pitts, 52, who was on foot, died after being hit by a bus on the section of the busway, also between Cambridge railway station and Long Road on 26 October 2021.

The fourth person, a teenage cyclist, was seriously injured when he collided with a bus in the guided section of the busway parallel to Kings Hedges Road on 9 November 2021.

Cambridgeshire County Council will face a charge under s3(1) of the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974.

The charge follows an extensive investigation by HSE, which is Britain's workplace regulator.

A first hearing date will be confirmed in due course.

Notes to Editors:

- 1. The <u>Health and Safety Executive</u> (HSE) is Britain's national regulator for workplace health and safety. We prevent work-related death, injury and ill health through regulatory actions that range from influencing behaviours across whole industry sectors through to targeted interventions on individual businesses. These activities are supported by globally recognised scientific expertise.
- 2. More information about the <u>legislation</u> referred to in this case is available.
- 3. Further details on the latest HSE news releases is available.