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Meeting Finchley and Golders Green Area Environment

Sub-Committee

Date 2 December 2008

Subject Member's Item – The Environmental and

Safety implications of the proposed dropped curb at 67 Summerlee Avenue

London N2.

Report of Director of Corporate Governance

Summary This report informs the Sub-Committee of a Member's Item and

requests instructions from the Sub-Committee.

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Status (public or exempt) Public

Wards affected East Finchley

Enclosures None

For decision by Finchley and Golders Green Area Environment Sub-Committee

Function of Executive

Reason for urgency / exemption from call-in (if

appropriate)

Not applicable

Contact for further information: James Campbell, Democratic Services - Tel: 020 8359 2205

1. RECOMMENDATIONS

1.1 The Sub-Committee's instructions are requested.

2. RELEVANT PREVIOUS DECISIONS

2.1 None

3. CORPORATE PRIORITIES AND POLICY CONSIDERATIONS

3.1 The matter raised relates to the corporate priority of 'Barnet - A successful city-suburb', specifically 'Improving transport and infrastructure'.

4. RISK MANAGEMENT ISSUES

4.1 None in the context of this report.

5. EQUALITIES AND DIVERSITY ISSUES

- 5.1 Members' Items allow members of the Sub-Committee to bring a wide range of issues to the attention of the Sub-Committee in accordance with the Council's Constitution.
- 6. USE OF RESOURCES IMPLICATIONS (Finance, Procurement, Performance & Value for Money, Staffing, IT, Property, Sustainability)
- 6.1 Any potential budgetary implications that might arise from this item will be covered in the Environment and Transport Team's oral report to the Sub-Committee.

7. LEGAL ISSUES

7.1 None.

8. CONSTITUTIONAL POWERS

- 8.1 Constitution Part 3 Responsibility for Functions Area Environment Sub-Committees perform functions that are the responsibility of the Executive including highways use and regulation not the responsibility of the Council, within the boundaries of their areas in accordance with Council policy and within budget.
- 8.2 Council Procedure Rules Section 2 Committees and Sub-Committees 7.1 A member will be permitted to have one matter only (with no sub-items) on the agenda for a meeting of a committee or sub-committee on which he/she serves.
- 8.3 The Democratic Services Manager must receive written notice of a Member's Item, at least seven clear working days before the meeting. A working day is deemed to end at 11pm. Any item received after 11pm will be recorded as

received on the next working day. The item must be signed by the Member and delivered by hand, fax or e-mail.

9 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

9.1 Councillor Andrew McNeil has requested that a Member's Item be considered on 67 Summerlee Avenue London N2 specifically dealing with the following:

"The Environmental and Safety implications of the proposed dropped curb at 67 Summerlee Avenue London N2.

Environment

The bottom (southern) end of Summerlee Avenue has great charm, which would be marred by the introduction of a dropped curb at the proposed site. Off-street parking means a paved over front garden, with consequent problems with rapid water run-off. There is no pressure on on-street parking in this section of the street.

Safety

This section of Summerlee Avenue leads directly to the park (Cherry Tree Wood) and is much used by children. Parents enjoy giving their children the freedom of running alone the last 200 yards to the playground. With cars, particularly 4x4s with their restricted visibility, entering and leaving #67, park users would be denied this pleasure on grounds of safety."

9.2 The Environment and Transport Team will provide a verbal update at the meeting.

10. LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 10.1 E-mail from Councillor Andrew McNeil dated 17 November 2008.
- 10.2 Any person wishing to inspect the background paper above should telephone James Campbell on 020 8359 2205.

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