

	<p style="text-align: center;">Chipping Barnet Area Committee</p> <p style="text-align: center;">17 May 2017</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Title</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Petitions Referred from Chipping Barnet Residents Forum</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Report of</p>	<p>Head of Governance</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Wards</p>	<p>All</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Status</p>	<p>Public</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Enclosures</p>	<p>Appendix 1 and 2</p>
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Summary

At the meeting of Chipping Barnet Residents Forum, held on 22 March 2017, two petitions were referred to this Committee for consideration.

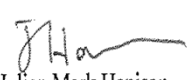
Recommendations

1. That the Chipping Barnet Area Committee considers the two petitions referred by the Chipping Barnet Residents Forum of 22nd March 2017.

1. WHY THIS REPORT IS NEEDED

- 1.1 The Council's Constitution permits the referral of petitions and issues to Area Committees:

Item	Action
<p>A petition of 91 signatures (at the time of publication for 22nd March 2017 Residents Forum).</p> <p>Proposal to reduce Speed limit from 30mph to 20mph on Barnet Lane, N20 for safety reasons due to excessive speeding</p> <p>Lead Petitioner: Mr Julian Mark Hanson</p> <p>Ward: Totteridge</p> <p>Firstly, there is a potentially dangerous situation where the road narrows at the top of Barnet Lane where it meets Totteridge Lane. There are two slow signs on Totteridge Lane before the junction meets Barnet Lane. The cars should stop and then progress if the road is clear. This is not happening. The majority of cars are speeding around the corner.</p> <p>Firstly, there is a potentially dangerous situation where the road narrows at the top of Barnet Lane where it meets Totteridge Lane. There are two slow signs on Totteridge Lane before the junction meets Barnet Lane. The cars should stop and then progress if the road is clear. This is not happening. The majority of cars are speeding around the corner.</p> <p>Importantly, at this junction , where the pavement is extremely narrow, hundreds of school children from Totteridge Academy use this as a route twice daily to catch the buses from Totteridge Lane. It is extremely fortunate that there has not been a serious accident due to the reasons I have laid out.</p> <p>Secondly, the speed limit sign located halfway down the Lane is not working consistently and seems to be completely ignored. Barnet Lane has always been and still is a Country Lane. Therefore the Speed Limit should be reduced to 20 mph.</p> <hr/> <p>I am enclosing Signed Petition of over 90 signatures from residents from Barnet Lane, Oaklands Road, Priory Close and nearby roads in support of this Proposal. When collecting signatures the majority of residents voiced their own concerns and stories of excessive speeding when entering or exiting Barnet Lane. I must stress how vocal residents were and extremely supportive of a reduction to 20 mph and additional signs.</p>	<p>Petition referred to Chipping Barnet Area Committee for consideration -</p> <p>budget needed to investigate speeding issues via speed surveys and a review of accident statistics</p>

<p>SUGGESTIONS</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Junction at the top of Barnet Lane should have a painted 'STOP' sign on the road itself instead of the two broken lines, which are being ignored. In addition, a 'STOP' sign at the Junction. There is such signs at Longland Drive and Totteridge Lane. 2. 2 flashing signs on both sides of Barnet Lane stating 'Slow Down 20 mph' 3. There is also a problem of vehicles coming out of Oaklands Road, into Barnet Lane where accidents have occurred over the past few years ie. Cars driving into Rose Cottage. New signs at top of road should also be erected. The cars coming up Barnet Lane from down the road are also driving at excessive speed where the road goes into a Zbend facing onto Oaklands Road. <p>Finally, the most important issue is that and has been proved and confirmed by Police investigations into speeding that pedestrians would survive with minimal injuries at 20 mph. Anything in excess of 30 mph. would be proved to be crippling or fatal. This situation is 'an accident waiting to happen' and trust you will investigate this as a matter of urgency.</p> <p>Yours faithfully</p>  <p>Julian Mark Hanison</p>	
<p>Adopt a 20mph speed limit in Hadley Green and Hadley Highstone (313 signatures at time of publication for 22nd March Residents Forum).</p> <p>Lead Petitioner: Mrs Amanda Holly on behalf of Hadley Residents Association</p> <p>Ward: High Barnet</p> <p>We the undersigned urgently request the Council to adopt a 20mph speed limit with pedestrian refuges along Hadley Green and Hadley Highstone in order to establish a safer, healthier environment.</p> <p>Many vehicles, including goods vehicles, buses and motorbikes, travel through Hadley Highstone and Hadley Green at speeds in excess of the legal limit. The existing speed warning signs are not sufficient to deter vehicles from travelling at illegal speeds.</p>	<p>Petition referred to Chipping Barnet Area Committee for consideration - budget needed to investigate speeding issues via speed surveys and a review of accident statistics</p>

2. REASON FOR REFFERAL

- 2.1 At the meeting of Chipping Barnet Residents Forum held on 24 January 2017, two petitions and one Issue were referred to this Committee for consideration, as permitted by the constitution.

3. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1 As set out above.

4. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND NOT RECOMMENDED

4.1 N/A

5. POST DECISION IMPLEMENTATION

N/A

6. IMPLICATIONS OF DECISION

6.1 **Resources (Finance & Value for Money, Procurement, Staffing, IT, Property, Sustainability)**

6.2 Not in the context of this report.

6.3 **Legal and Constitutional References**

6.3.1 Responsibility for Functions, paragraph 6.2, of the council's Constitution reads:

The Council's constitution permits referrals of petitions and Issues from Residents Forums to Area Committees.

6.4 **Risk Management**

6.5 Not in the context of this report.

6.6 **Equalities and Diversity**

6.7 Not in the context of this report.

6.8 **Consultation and Engagement**

6.9 Not in the context of this report.

7. BACKGROUND PAPERS

7.1 None.