

**CHIPPING BARNET RESIDENTS FORUM**  
**BARNET HOUSE, 1255 HIGH ROAD, WHETSTONE, N20 0EJ**  
**WEDNESDAY, 13 MARCH 2013, 6.00PM**

**Chairman: Councillor Kate Salinger**  
**Vice-Chairman: Councillor Barry Evangeli**

**ISSUES TO BE CONSIDERED AT THE FORUM MEETING**

	<b>Issue Raised</b>	<b>Response</b>
1.	<p data-bbox="181 491 712 523"><u>Traffic issues in Queens Road Barnet</u></p> <p data-bbox="181 544 1149 1054">We are residents of 28 Queens Road Barnet EN5 4DG. Queen Elizabeth's Boys School is situated at the end of Queens Road and attracts a large amount of traffic during the morning drop off and afternoon collection periods. The traffic comprises private cars, mini buses and large 40 seater coaches. This large volume of traffic causes congestion and associated safety issues for both residents and the boys attending the School. We have met with Mr Tim Bennett an Assistant Head Master at the School and he shares our concerns. We have also been in touch with Cllr David Longstaff regarding this issue. We feel that a speed limit of 20mph would improve matters however we understand from Cllr Longstaff that the police generally do not feel that this measure helps but that road signage notifying and reminding drivers that a school is nearby is worthwhile.</p> <p data-bbox="181 1099 1149 1383">We are also concerned about the junction of Queens Road with Granville Road. Although the road signage indicates that the traffic entering Queens Road from Granville Road must stop there are many occasions when this does not happen and the problem is made worse by the junction being congested with poor sight lines during the school drop off and collection times. A review of the current road markings and signage and any improvements that can be made would be worthwhile from a road safety standpoint.</p>	<p data-bbox="1176 544 2145 719">Various issues around the school have been raised at a previous forum meeting. A meeting to discuss the issue is arranged for Tuesday 12 March with officers and a local resident and we will include the review of school signage in the discussion. A verbal update on the meeting will be provided at the Forum.</p>

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	<p>We would request that the Forum support our request to consider the introduction of 1) School street signage in Queens Road 2) a review of the traffic signage at the junction of Queens Road and Granville Road.</p> <p><i>(Chris Cormie)</i></p>	
2.	<p><u>Woodhouse Slip Road</u></p> <p>1) Traffic calming to the slip road that runs east/west parallel to the north side of Woodhouse Rd N12 - serving the row of shops between Ashurst Rd and Horsham Ave. This is proposed in the hope of avoiding the frequent accidents caused by speeding traffic using the slip road (as a rat-run) to circumvent the queues waiting at the Town Hall traffic signals. Particularly at issue is that the nearby bus stop is heavily used by homeward bound school children who spill onto the slip road every afternoon between approx' 3pm and 4.30pm</p> <p>2) The introduction of (as yet to be agreed method of) parking restrictions to the slip rd, thus freeing up the limited parking facility during office hours, to help shoppers using the local stores etc. At present there is no restriction resulting in the spaces being used for long term parking (days and in some instances weeks).</p> <p><i>(Mark Livemore)</i></p>	<p>Officers have met on site with traders, residents and a local Ward Councillor, to discuss the issues of concern. Additionally the matter is also on the agenda as a Members Item for the Chipping Barnet Area Environment Sub Committee where it may be decided that Officers should investigate the location with a view to formulating improvements where possible.</p>
3.	<p>Petition: To implement a controlled residential parking scheme on Naylor and Birley Road (N20) and any other residential areas around Totteridge and Whetstone Tube station where resident parking is badly affected by non-resident parking</p> <p><i>(Rob Inglis)</i></p>	<p>The roads referred to and their neighbouring roads are known to be subject to high levels of parking demand due to their location and in particular proximity to the Totteridge and Whetstone Tube Station. Historically the council has not investigated the possibility of introducing a CPZ in this area, and currently have no plans to do so.</p> <p>However, as there appears to be renewed support for such action it may be, should the council choose to do so, that officers will be requested to investigate the matter further and discussion at the Forum in the first instance is welcomed.</p>

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4.	<p><u>Woodhouse Road Slip Road London N12</u></p> <p>I would like to make known to you my concerns regarding the number of accidents to pedestrians that have taken place on the above slip road.</p> <p>I have been a resident, living over Texcare Dry Cleaners on Woodhouse Rd for over two years and in that period have witnessed three serious incidents on this road where firstly one child, a young woman and then an elderly gentleman were knocked down.</p> <p>The issue appears to be caused chiefly by speeding cars using the slip road to try to by-pass the queuing traffic caused by the signals at the junction of Woodhouse Rd &amp; Colney Hatch Lane.</p> <p>The situation is exacerbated by the location of a well used bus stop on Woodhouse Rd and the inevitable heavy pedestrian traffic using this stop and wanting access to the shops (particularly Bargain Booze).</p> <p>This is particularly dangerous when children are using the bus stop to travel home between approx' 15:30 &amp; 17:00. There is a constant flow of young adults crossing the slip road at a time that coincides with heavy vehicular activity.</p> <p>I often witness near misses and regularly hear the sounds of cars using their horns to warn of an impending collision.</p> <p>I would ask that three considerations are taken at your meeting:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Speed bumps to slow down vehicles using the slip road</li> <li>2. A 20mph speed limit for the slip road</li> <li>3. Clear signage to warn motorists of the heavy usage of pedestrians</li> <li>4. Re-programming the traffic signals (easterly direction) at the junction to reduce the queues on Woodhouse Rd</li> </ol> <p><i>(Mr Mark Livemore)</i></p>	

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5.	<p><u>Oakleigh Road north - Traffic</u></p> <p>Traffic jams occurring every week day evening on Oakleigh Road North, the traffic back up from the junction with Myddleton Park / Oakleigh Park South all the way back to the High Road, the traffic lights appear to give priority to the side road rather than ORN.</p> <p>There was a problem like this previously but it stopped, but now it has started again leaving many vehicles wasting time and fuel while the traffic lights turn many times.</p> <p><i>(Mr Peter Campbell)</i></p>	
6.	<p><u>Bethune Park</u></p> <p>1. Can you do something about the rubbish being left after the football on a Sunday at Bethune park.</p> <p>2. Also at Bethune the man made hole near the footpath &amp; the houses be covered up as my dog put his foot down it?</p> <p><i>(Frances Briers)</i></p>	
7.	<p>Most of the lines on road in the Chipping Barnet area need repainting. Are there any plans to do so?</p> <p><i>(Frances Briers)</i></p>	

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**Future meeting dates:**

Date	Venue
Tuesday, 25 June 2013	Barnet House, 1255 High Road, Whetstone, N20 0EJ
Tuesday, 22 October 2013	Barnet House, 1255 High Road, Whetstone, N20 0EJ