

**CHIPPING BARNET RESIDENTS FORUM**

**WEDNESDAY 4TH MARCH, 2020**

**AT 7.00 PM**

**CHIPPING BARNET LIBRARY - 3 STAPYLTON ROAD, BARNET, EN5 4QT.**

Chairman: Cllr Lisa Rutter

Vice Chairman: Cllr Felix Byers

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**1. ISSUES LIST WITH RESPONSES (Agenda Item 1):**

**CHAIRMAN'S INTRODUCTION**

The Chairman introduced herself and the Officers present and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

- 1. Title:** Shortcuts on Alston Road  
**Resident:** Dr Chris Nightingale (Representing SPACES)  
**Ward:** High Barnet

The issue was introduced by the resident who felt that the figures provided in the response do not shed light on how much of this traffic is using the roads as a cut through. The problem was discussed at length by the panel including the Assistant Director for Transportation and Highways who confirmed there have been several options considered regarding the issue, each with their own implications on traffic flow around the surrounding area, so there is no straightforward or easy answer. The Chairman felt it would be beneficial for Officers, residents and Ward Councillors (who are aware of the problems) to meet together to discuss the various options and therefore it was **RESOLVED** that;

**The issue be referred to Officers to arrange a meeting with the relevant parties to discuss the options regarding traffic on Alston Road.**

**2. Title:** Grass Roundabout – Woodfield Drive/Uplands Road

**Resident:** Mr Rob White (Representing East Barnet Residents' Association)

**Ward:** Brunswick Park

The issue was introduced by the resident who provided photos to the panel and forum to highlight the damage to the roundabout. The panel and resident discussed various options to make the roundabout safer including installing bollards, deeper kerbstones, double yellow lines, or making the roundabout smaller. The Chairman suggested one of the options may be to reduce the size the roundabout. The Assistant Director for Transportation and Highways clarified the advantages and disadvantages of each and agreed to ask engineers to provide a cost estimate for reducing the size of the roundabout taking into account the turning circles of various vehicles including service vehicles. It was therefore **RESOLVED** that;

**The Chairman referred the issue to Officers to provide a response within 20 days and arrange a meeting with relevant parties to discuss the best option.**

**2. CONSULTATION ON BARNET'S DRAFT LOCAL PLAN (Agenda Item 2):**

Planning Officers introduced the consultation on the Local Plan and explained the opportunities residents had to feed back on what is included and what is not. The proposal was discussed at length by residents and Officers.

Residents are able to respond to the Local Plan proposals in the following ways;

- Complete the online questionnaire at: <https://engage.barnet.gov.uk/>
- Send comments to: [forward.planning@barnet.gov.uk](mailto:forward.planning@barnet.gov.uk)

The meeting finished at 20:49