

Decisions of the Chipping Barnet Residents Forum
15th June 2021

Chairman: Councillor Roberto Weeden-Sanz
Vice-Chairman: Councillor Nicole Richer

Also, in attendance:
Lead Officer : Street Scene Director – Craig Miller
Governance Service Manager – Abi Lewis
Member Liaison Officer – Dane McKnight

1. Petition – Pedestrian Crossing on Longmore Avenue near Monks Avenue

The Lead petitioner was given 3 minutes to introduce the petition to the forum. They explained that the traffic on Longmore Avenue was very fast moving and that trying to cross the road at the junction with Monks Avenue was often difficult, due to the view being obscured by cars and traffic coming past from multiple directions.

The Petitioner noted that several incidents had occurred in the location and asked the Council to investigate suitable traffic calming measures as well as specifically the feasibility of a pedestrian crossing.

The Chairman advised the petitioner to also contact the Safer Neighbourhood team about conducting a speed watch survey, which would provide some statistics around speeding in the area.

Following discussion of the item the Chairman **RESOLVED that the issue be referred to Officers to respond to within 20 working days.**

2. Issue: Self-service equipment for East Barnet Library

Mr Dix was given 3 minutes to introduce the issue to the forum. He explained that the community were in desperate need of self-service facilities at the library to make use of the facility for longer than the current opening hours allowed.

Officers advised Mr Dix that the response provided was not a closed one and that once the current restrictions related to the pandemic had been eased, relevant discussions would take place to look into extending the opening hours. Officers acknowledged Mr Dix's frustrations regarding the slow progress on the matter and advised this would be considered again in due course.

Following discussion of the item the Chairman **RESOLVED to note the response provide by officers.**

3. Speeding on Oakleigh Road North

The Lead petitioner was given 3 minutes to introduce the petition to the forum. They explained that vehicles were travelling down Oakleigh Road North at excessive speeds, which had resulted in several high impact accidents. They expressed particular concern around the fact that there were two primary schools on the stretch of road and accidents had occurred during school times, but currently no safety measures were in place to control speeding.

The petitioner explained they had discussed the matter with their ward councillor and that a police traffic warden had attended the area on a couple of occasion to ticket speeding

vehicles, however this was not a long-term solution to the problem. They felt the speeding issue had worsened over the last few months. They asked that both road markings and Vehicle activated signs be considered.

Officers acknowledged the petitioner's concern and advised that officers would be asked to attend the site, assess the situation, and investigate any possible solutions.

Following discussion of the item the Chairman **RESOLVED that the issue be referred to Officers to respond to within 20 working days.**

The meeting finished at 7.40pm.