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Items must be submitted to Governance Service (ChippingBarnet.ResidentsForum@Barnet.gov.uk) by 10.00am on the fifth working day before the meeting (for example, if a meeting is due to take place on a Wednesday evening, questions must be received by 10am on the preceding Wednesday)

	Issue Raised	Response
1.	<p>Title: Dangerous state of pavements in Northumberland Road, from Monks Avenue to High Road, Whetstone</p> <p>Lead Petitioner: Sandra Barnett</p> <p>Ward: Oakleigh</p> <p>Petition: We the undersigned residents of Northumberland Road, New Barnet, Herts, demand that the top section of our road from Monks Avenue to the high Road is brought up to the same standard as the lower section which has recently been relaid.</p> <p>Regarding the dangerous state of the pavements in Northumberland Road,</p>	<p>To be dealt with in line with the Council's constitution: The Lead Petitioner will be given three minutes to present the petition to the Forum. Following the presentation the Residents Forum Chairman will decide to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Take no action;• Refer the matter to a chief officer to respond to within 20 working days; or• Refer the matter to the relevant Area Committee (if funding is required)

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	<p>from Monks Avenue to High Road, Whetstone.</p> <p>Following a site survey (19th June 2017) Paul Green the Clerk of works for the London Borough of Barnet, agreed that our pavements were in need of refurbishment and was questioned as to why the work had stopped at the junction with Monks Avenue instead of continuing up to the High Road.</p> <p>The residents of the whole road pay their rates, a proportion of which should ensure that we can walk safely along our pavements.</p> <p>Amongst those signing were at least two disabled people, one of whom has to use a zimmer frame and is sacred to walk to the letterbox, and also this does not include the residents of the care home at number 24.</p> <p>In the event of any accidents, damage or injury as a consequence of the faulty paving, the council will be held responsible and this letter will be made available to be used by any residents, who wish to claim in a court of law.</p> <p>If we fail to get s satisfactory response from Ms. Prescott-Nelson, we will be forced to take this matter further to our MP Theresa Villiers and if necessary the Mayor and his councillors.</p> <p>We, the residents of Northumberland Road, expect the repair work to be carried out imminently and would like to be informed when this is likely to happen.</p> <p>We enclose a scanned petition which has been signed by all residents, with the exception of 10 households, from whom there was no answer.</p>	
2.	<p>Title: Parking on corner of Singleton Scarp and Lullington Garth N12</p> <p>Lead Petitioner: Zoka Shaw</p>	<p>To be dealt with in line with the Council's constitution: The Lead Petitioner will be given three minutes to present the petition to the Forum. Following the</p>

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<p>Ward: Totteridge</p> <p>Petition: Residents of Singleton Scarp are writing to you with regard to the dangerous situation caused by vehicles parked too close to the corners of Singleton Scarp and Lullington Garth.</p> <p>We attach pictures which show the severity of the problem. Cars are parked like this virtually every day into the evening and it can only be a matter of time before a serious accident is caused.</p> <p>This causes the following dangers:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Cars turning left out of Singleton Scarp are forced to make such a wide turn that they cross the centre line in Lullington Garth into the path of oncoming traffic. 2. Cars turning left or right out of Singleton Scarp have extremely limited visibility to the right and have to edge far out into the flow of traffic in Lullington Garth before turning. 3. Cars heading down the hill on Lullington Garth and turning left into Singleton Scarp are often unable to execute the turn without reversing back into Lullington Garth, again into the traffic flow. 4. Cars parked on the pavement in Singleton Scarp (often on both sides of the road,) leave very little room for pedestrians. Pedestrians (especially those with prams and small children) are forced to walk in the road around the cars potentially right into the flow of any traffic turning into Singleton Scarp. <p>We have discussed the matter between ourselves at length and concluded that the best way to make the situation safer is for the council to paint double yellow lines on the corner of Singleton Scarp and Lullington Garth extending</p>	<p>presentation the Residents Forum Chairman will decide to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Take no action; • Refer the matter to a chief officer to respond to within 20 working days; or • Refer the matter to the relevant Area Committee (if funding is required)

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	<p>at least 5 metres from the corners.</p> <p>Please would you let us know if this can be done and if not, why not.</p>	
3.	<p>Title: Alston Road 20MPH Zone</p> <p>Resident: Farooq Haq</p> <p>Ward: High Barnet</p> <p>Issue: Extend the 20 MPH zone along Alston Road in order to protect local residents and school children.</p>	<p>To be dealt with in line with the Council's constitution: The Lead Petitioner will be given three minutes to present the petition to the Forum. Following the presentation the Residents Forum Chairman will decide to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Take no action; • Refer the matter to a chief officer to respond to within 20 working days; or • Refer the matter to the relevant Area Committee (if funding is required)
4.	<p>Title: Totteridge Lane junction of Waitrose Car Park.</p> <p>Resident: David Harvey</p> <p>Ward: Totteridge</p> <p>Issue: I have tried since 2008 to let the council know how dangerous this junction is. I have even placed videos on Youtube which can be found by searching for "Whetstone N20 Road Safety."</p> <p>At certain times of the day, traffic on Totteridge Lane heading towards Whetstone High Road will increase and there will be a queue of vehicles in the single-lane section of Totteridge Lane. The problem is that impatient drivers can see that further up the hill nearer the traffic lights the road in fact becomes two lanes and they will save time if they overtake and shoot up to the traffic lights and join the right-hand lane which normally has fewer cars waiting for the traffic lights to turn green. What then happens is they break-away from the single lane queue and zoom up the wrong side of Totteridge Lane up to the traffic lights.</p>	<p>Ward Members and officers met the Police Traffic Management Officer for the area last month to discuss options that would be acceptable to prevent overtaking at the Waitrose entrance. Proposals are currently being drawn up based on these.</p> <p>Banning the right turn from Waitrose was considered at that meeting but the length of the alternative route and impacts of additional traffic through the traffic signals and on St Margaret's Avenue were highlighted as concerns.</p>

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	<p>Now, if you are a car leaving Waitrose car park and making a right turn on to Totteridge Lane you do not see the vehicle that is about to crash into you.</p> <p>On Saturday 2nd December 2017 I was an eye witness to exactly this type of accident. A van jumped the que, headed up the wrong side of the road and collided with a white Fiat 500 who was legitimately and quite correctly turning right out of Totteridge Lane.</p> <p>I have even seen articulated lorries and buses driving on the wrong side of the road in this manner. Clearly a very serious accident is waiting to happen unless action is taken.</p> <p>I know that Councillor Alison Cornelius is also concerned and has met officers at the location last year. The initial suggestion was a double white line but apparently this is not possible for legal reasons to do with traffic regulations.</p> <p>It seems to me, that in so far as Totteridge Lane is concerned there may not be anything legally the council can do?</p> <p>My suggestion to the Committee and the Council Officer is very simple (and cheap): Prohibit right turns from Waitrose Car park and force vehicles leaving the car park to turn left. In this way no vehicle turning right can be struck by a vehicle zooming up the wrong side of Totteridge Lane as they will have turned left instead. This will involve the appropriate signage and some support from the Police in periodic enforcement.</p>	
5.	<p>Title: Grit bins on Oak Tree Drive and Great Bushey Drive</p> <p>Resident: Umran Altunkaya</p>	<p>Currently a salt bin sits outside 13 Great Bushey Drive which is believed to be close enough to the corner of Oak Tree Drive.</p> <p>We have reconsidered the request to provide a new grit bin</p>

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<p>Ward: Totteridge</p> <p>Issue: Request for 2 extra grit bins to be installed;</p> <p>1. At the corner of GBD and OTD towards the tennis club. 2. The bent of OTD. Somewhere between no 31 and 41,</p> <p>for residents to take responsibility for gritting their own roads during icy weather.</p>	<p>and can confirm, we are in agreement to position the grit bin outside number 36 Oak Tree Drive.</p> <p>During an inspection, we have also considered the proximity of a placing a further bin outside 75 Oak Tree Drive, and given, that the locality of two bins will be less than 100m apart we have declined this request.</p> <p>Winter service contractor will make arrangements to supply and fill a new grit bin with salt outside 36 Oak Tree Drive.</p>

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Future meeting dates:

Date of meeting	Location	Deadline Date for Issues
21 March 2018	Chipping Barnet Library 3 Stapylton Rd, Barnet EN5 4QT	10am 14 March 2017

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