

	<h2>Environment Committee</h2> <h3>08 November 2016</h3>
<p>Title</p>	<p>Member’s Item</p> <p>Alon Or-bach - Bus Services Bill – Clause 21</p> <p>Alan Schneiderman - Footway Treatments</p> <p>Adam Langleben - Orbital rail in Barnet</p>
<p>Report of</p>	<p>Head of Governance</p>
<p>Wards</p>	<p>All</p>
<p>Status</p>	<p>Public</p>
<p>Enclosures</p>	<p>None</p>
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<h2>Summary</h2>
<p>The report informs the Environment Committee of a Member’s Item and requests instructions from the Committee.</p>
<h2>Recommendations</h2>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That the Environment Committee’s instructions in relation to this Member’s item are requested.

1. WHY THIS REPORT IS NEEDED

- 1.1 Members of the Committee have requested that the items tabled below are submitted to the Environment Committee for considering and determination. The Environment Committee are requested to provide instructions to Officers of the Council as recommended.

Name of Councillor	Member's Item
Cllr Alon Or-bach	<p data-bbox="528 528 975 568">Bus Services Bill – Clause 21</p> <p data-bbox="528 607 1481 931">London benefits from a regulated bus service with Transport for London setting fares, routes and timetables. Unfortunately, this is not the case outside London where since deregulation in 1986 fares have risen faster than inflation while bus usage has fallen by more than a third, helping to create a congestion crisis. This is a concern to Barnet residents living on the border of the borough and those who may use non-TfL services to travel outside of London, including routes No. 84 and 84A from New Barnet to St Albans or Luton.</p> <p data-bbox="528 972 1461 1189">We are encouraged that the Bus Services Bill goes some way to re-regulating the bus industry. We also note that Clause 21 of the Bus Services Bill, which would ban local authorities from forming their own bus companies in the future, was defeated this week in the House of Lords by an amendment from Labour Peer, Lord Kennedy.</p> <p data-bbox="528 1229 1485 1413">I request that the Chair of the Environment Committee writes to the Secretary of State for Transport supporting the removal of this clause from the Bill, and setting out Barnet Council's opposition to this policy emerging again in the progress of the Bill or in future legislation.</p>
Alan Schneiderman	<p data-bbox="528 1447 842 1487">Footway Treatments</p> <p data-bbox="528 1525 1461 1704">Given recent complaints from residents about using tarmac instead of paving stones for footways, including in Granville Road N12 and Beresford Road N2, I request that the Environment Committee reviews the current policy on footway treatments. This review should include:</p> <ol data-bbox="528 1744 1461 2033" style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="528 1744 1385 1816">1. Giving residents a choice between using paving stones or tarmac for footways in their road<li data-bbox="528 1856 1461 1962">2. Reinstating paving stones in roads where tarmac has been laid without consulting residents and where a majority of residents are in favour of this<li data-bbox="528 2002 1378 2033">3. Improving communication with residents so that they fully

	<p>aware of the options for their road</p> <p>I also request that the committee reviews the way that footway repairs are scheduled to take into account the views of local residents in roads where the footways are in a poor or unsafe condition.</p>
Adam Langleben	<p>Orbital rail in Barnet</p> <p>Barnet has no orbital public transport routes apart from buses.</p> <p>Given the problem of congestion and pollution caused by the number of vehicles on our roads, the forecast growth in the local population, the increase in daily vehicle movements as a result of a re-developed Brent Cross (up to 29,000 according to the Brent Cross Cricklewood Coalition), the need to improve connectivity between Brent Cross Shopping Centre, Brent Cross Tube Station and Thameslink, and the impact all of this has on the local economy and residents health, I request that the Environment Committee considers what the options are for orbital rail in Barnet.</p> <p>In particular, I request that the lack of orbital rail routes in the borough is referred by the Committee to the Transport Strategy Project Board and Elected Member Working Group, for them to investigate possible solutions.</p>

2. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 No recommendations have been made. The Committee are therefore requested to give consideration and provide instruction.

3. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND NOT RECOMMENDED

- 3.1 Not applicable.

4. POST DECISION IMPLEMENTATION

- 4.1 Post decision implementation will depend on the decision taken by the Committee.

5. IMPLICATIONS OF DECISION

5.1 Corporate Priorities and Performance

- 5.1.1 As and when issues raised through a Member's Item are progressed, they will need to be evaluated against the Corporate Plan and other relevant policies.

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

5.2.1 None in the context of this report.

5.3 Legal and Constitutional References

5.3.1 The Council's Constitution (Meeting Procedure Rules, Section 6) states that a Member, including appointed substitute Members of a Committee may have one item only on an agenda that he/she serves. Members' items must be within the term of reference of the decision making body which will consider the item.

5.4 Risk Management

5.4.1 None in the context of this report.

5.5 Equalities and Diversity

5.5.1 Members' Items allow Members of a Committee to bring a wide range of issues to the attention of a Committee in accordance with the Council's Constitution. All of these issues must be considered for their equalities and diversity implications.

5.6 Consultation and Engagement

5.6.1 None in the context of this report.

6. BACKGROUND PAPERS

6.1 None.