

	Housing Committee 8 February 2017 Referral from Chipping Barnet Area Committee – Petition Relating to 56 Bedford Avenue
Report of	Head of Governance
Wards	All
Status	Public
Enclosures	None
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Summary

At the meeting of Chipping Barnet Area Committee held in October 2016, the petition relating to 56 Bedford Avenue was referred to this Committee for consideration.

Recommendations

- **1.** That the Housing Committee note that this item was referred to this Committee by Chipping Barnet Area Committee;
- **2.** That the Housing Committee give consideration to the petition.

1. WHY THIS REPORT IS NEEDED

- 1.1 Chipping Barnet Area Committee referred the following petition to this Committee for consideration:
- 56 Bedford 56 Bedford Avenue became vacant in 2000, and Avenue since then has deteriorated. Partial works that were finally begun in 2015 have served only to expose the property increasingly to the elements. All work has stopped in November 2015 and there has been no corrective action to protect the property from its deterioration. There have also been reports of vermin and the property is increasingly threatening the health and safety of the locality. This petition asks the council to take whatever corrective action is necessary to restore the property at number 56 Bedford Avenue to fit and habitable state. Lead petitioner: Lloyd Zokay

2. REASON FOR REFFERAL

2.1 At the meeting of Chipping Barnet Area Committee, the petition detailed above was referred to this Committee. The Council's Constitution provides the ability for the Housing Committee to receive the referred petition.

3. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1 As set out above.

4. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND NOT RECOMMENDED

4.1 N/A

5. POST DECISION IMPLEMENTATION

N/A

6. IMPLICATIONS OF DECISION

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

6.2 Not in the context of this report.

6.3 Legal and Constitutional References

The Council's constitution permits referrals from Area Committees to the relevant Committee.

6.4 Risk Management

6.5 Not in the context of this report.

6.6 Equalities and Diversity

6.7 Not in the context of this report.

6.8 **Consultation and Engagement**

6.9 Not in the context of this report.

7. BACKGROUND PAPERS

7.1 None.