



Hendon Area Committee

16 March 2021

Title	Referrals from Hendon Residents' Forum
Report of	Head of Governance
Wards	Mill Hill, Colindale
Status	Public
Enclosures	Appendix A: Hendon Residents Forum 3 March 2021, Issues List with Responses
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Summary

At the meeting of the Hendon Residents' Forum, 3 March 2021, the petitions highlighted in Section 1, were referred to the Hendon Area Committee for consideration.

Officers Recommendations

1. That the Committee considers the petitions referred by the Hendon Residents' Forum and agrees to;
 - a) Take no action, OR
 - b) Refer the matter to a chief officer to provide a written respond to Lead Petitioner within 20 working days; OR
 - c) Instruct an officer to prepare a report for a future meeting of the Committee on the issue(s) raised with a recommended course of action.

1. WHY THIS REPORT IS NEEDED

- 1.1. The Council's Constitution permits the referral of issues and petitions to Area Committees. The Committee are asked to note the officer responses provided to the petitioners in advance of the forum at Appendix A.

Item 1.

Petition: Removal of double yellow lines - The Ridgeway NW7 (opposite Belmont Farm)

Lead Petitioner: Sarah Ali

Ward: Mill Hill

Number of signatures: 95

We the undersigned petition the council to Remove the yellow lines on The Ridgeway that were placed in September 2020

New yellow lines changes to The Ridgeway NW7 cause extreme safety issues for children, families and school staff along the Ridgeway. These new lines have reduced pick up and drop off parking spaces by approx. 12 cars causing congestion on the lead up to The Ridgeway from Hammers lane and also further along The Ridgeway. There does not seem to be any economic reason for these yellow lines and has decreased safety of those driving and walking along The Ridgeway much more especially primary school children.

Since markings have gone down in September 2020, we have further hazardous issues along the road;

- Cars mounting on to the curb where possible
- Increased parking on zig zag lines which is a very high risk for schools along this road
- reduced parking is now impacting operation of our school to schedule as teachers and visiting professionals are no longer able to park safely or close to school
- The safety stretch along the road has greatly reduced and this is very dangerous for our younger children (4-11 years)
- Visiting professionals to the school are now also struggling to find parking space (within days of these lines being laid) resulting in a delayed meeting with a vulnerable family due to the reduced parking
- Specifically, during Covid-19, there has been an increase in secondary parents driving their children to school rather than using public transport. The reduced parking has increased this stress.

- Issue of social distancing is increasing as the entire road is far more congested than before

We urgently need to bring this to the attention of our councillors and Barnet council as this doesn't seem to be in line with Barnet's Covid risk assessment where it clearly states Highways should be working more closely with the schools.

Item 2.

Petition: 'No Left Turn' at the Junction of A1 and Tithe Walk

Lead Petitioner: Dr Hilary Cass

Ward: Mill Hill

Number of signatures: 55

We, the residents of Tithe walk, believe there is inadequate time for traffic turning into our road from the A1 to slow down and corner safely. Cars entering from the A1 also drive at speed up the road. This represents a risk to residents and other pedestrians, the details of which have been provided to the Council.

We request that Barnet Council and TFL implement a 'No Left Turn' at the junction of A1 and Tithe Walk.

We would like 2-way traffic in the road to be maintained to allow exit onto Page Street and to discourage cars from speeding down the road.

2. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 At the above noted meeting of the Hendon Residents' Forum the petitions highlighted in Section 1 were referred to this Committee for consideration, as permitted by the Council's Constitution under Article 3 - Residents and Public Participation.

3. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND NOT RECOMMENDED

3.1 None in the context of this report.

4. POST DECISION IMPLEMENTATION

4.1 Post decision implementation depends on the decision taken by the Committee.

5. IMPLICATIONS OF DECISION

5.1 Corporate Priorities and Performance

5.1.1 N/A.

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

Sustainability)

5.2.1 None in the context of this report.

5.3 Social Value

5.3.1 Not applicable in the context of this report.

5.4 Legal and Constitutional References

5.4.1 In accordance with the Council's Constitution, Article 3 Residents and Public Participation states that where the petition relates to the functions and responsibilities of an Area Committee it will be reported to the relevant Area Committee. The Lead Petitioner will be given five minutes to present the petition to the committee.

Following the presentation, the Chairman and Committee Members will have an opportunity to ask the Lead Petitioner questions. After the debate the Committee will decide to:

- Take no action
- Refer the matter to a chief officer to provide a written respond to Lead Petitioner within 20 working days; or
- Instruct an officer to prepare a report for a future meeting of the Committee on the issue(s) raised with a recommended course of action

5.5 Risk Management

5.5.1 None in the context of this report.

5.6 Equalities and Diversity

5.6.1 None in the context of this report.

5.7 Corporate Parenting

5.7.1 None identified in the context of this report, any potential implications will be detailed within substantive reports.

5.8 Consultation and Engagement

5.8.1 None in the context of this report.

5.8 Insight

5.8.1 None in the context of this report.

6. BACKGROUND PAPERS

None.