

CABINET	AGENDA ITEM No. 8
24 NOVEMBER 2014	PUBLIC REPORT

Contact Officer:	Gemma George, Senior Governance Officer, Democratic Services	Tel. 01733 452268
------------------	--	-------------------

OUTCOME OF PETITIONS

R E C O M M E N D A T I O N S	
FROM : Directors	Deadline date : N/A
It is recommended that Cabinet notes the action taken in respect of petitions presented to Full Council.	

1. ORIGIN OF REPORT

1.1 This report is submitted to Cabinet following the presentation of petitions to Full Council.

2. PURPOSE AND REASON FOR REPORT

2.1 The purpose of this report is to update Cabinet on the progress being made in response to petitions.

2.2 This report is for Cabinet to consider under its Terms of Reference No. 3.2.3 – ‘To take a leading role in promoting the economic, environmental and social well-being of the area’.

2.3 The present petitions scheme is currently under review and a report will be presented to Full Council in due course.

3. TIMESCALE

Is this a Major Policy Item/Statutory Plan?	NO
---	-----------

4. OUTCOME OF PETITIONS

4.1 Petition relating to the provision of play equipment for the under-fives in Helpston

This petition was presented to full Council on 8 October 2014 by a member of the public, Ms Peat, and requested exploration into the provision of play equipment in Helpston.

The Council’s Community Capacity Assistant Manager responded stating that ‘it is very encouraging that you have so much support from the community of Helpston towards the installation of play equipment in the village. As you are aware, there has been great progress over the last few months regarding this’.

Council officers are due to meet with all interested parties to try to agree a way forward.

Specifically, two issues are being worked through in light of the interest in, and support, for the proposal, these being:

- i) which is the right location for enhanced play provision for under 5s in the village; and
- ii) can we identify sufficient funding to cover the costs of the work?

A further update is to be provided once more work has been done on these two questions.

4.2 **Petition objecting to the proposed planning application of development of a garage site behind 18 Acacia Avenue, Dogsthorpe, Peterborough**

This petition was presented to full Council on 8 October 2014 by Councillor Asif Shaheed which requested that consideration be given, for the implementation of traffic calming measures in Croyland Road, Walton.

The Council's Transport Planning Officer responded stating that 'we receive a number of requests for safety schemes each year, both internally and externally to the council. As there is a limited budget available to implement these requests we use a standard assessment procedure to determine priority for funding.

Requests with sufficient priority from the assessment are progressed to the Transport & Engineering Project Board, where a decision is made on including the request as a scheme in the Capital Works Programme.

Requests with insufficient priority from the assessment do not progress any further.

Following the assessment it was found that average speeds during the morning and afternoon were 21 and 25 miles per hour respectively; this is presently below the 30 miles per hour speed limit that is in effect on Croyland Road.

As a result of the assessment your request will not be progressed any further at this time'.

5. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 5.1 As the petitions presented in this report have been dealt with by Cabinet Members or officers, it is appropriate that the action taken is reported to Cabinet, prior to it being included within the Executive's report to full Council.

6. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 6.1 There have been no alternative options considered.

7. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 There are no legal implications.

8. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Used to prepare this report, in accordance with the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985)

- 8.1 Petitions presented to full Council and responses from officers.