

CABINET	AGENDA ITEM No. 13
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OUTCOME OF PETITIONS

RECOMMENDATIONS	
FROM: <i>Directors</i>	Deadline date: <i>N/A</i>
It is recommended that Cabinet notes the actions taken in respect of petitions.	

1. ORIGIN OF REPORT

- 1.1 This report is submitted following the submission of an E-Petition and the presentation of a petition to Council officers.

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 submitted to the Council.
- 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*'.

3. TIMESCALES

Is this a Major Policy Item/Statutory Plan?	NO	If yes, date for Cabinet meeting	N/A
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4. OUTCOME OF PETITIONS

E-Petitions

4.1 **Vista Parking**

This E-petition was submitted on 25 October 2017 by Neil Thomas. The petition contained 90 valid signatures and called on the Council to establish parking restrictions and a 20 mph speed limit within the new Vista site.

The Principal Transport Planning Officer advised that the road network in question is not yet the responsibility of the council. The Council were working with the developer to get the road dedicated to become highway as soon as all the obligations are met, but there was currently no a timescale for this.

The Council would soon be writing out to all households to consult with the residents to see if

they would like to have a resident parking scheme. If there was support for this then the Council will be able to setup the scheme once we have responsibility for the roads. This would help to alleviate unwanted parking on the streets.

Regarding the speeding concerns, the roads were quite narrow with on-street parking that would act as a measure to help reduce speeds. When the road become highway the Council would be able to investigate vehicle speeds and accident data to see whether further traffic calming measures were needed.

The Council was investigating the roll-out of 20mph speed limits. A councillor led task and finish group reported its finding into 20mph signed only limits to cabinet in July 2014. Cabinet made 3 recommendations which were progressing with the aim to gain more evidence at both a national and local level before committing to a city wide roll-out.

Since the task and finish group presented its findings, a number of authorities had committed to implementing or had implemented signed only limits. However there was still limited conclusive evidence on the impact in terms of mode of travel, reduction in speed and casualties and overall costs involved.

Peterborough City Council were also waiting for a review that had been commissioned by the Department for Transport into 20mph signed only limits. Consequently, there were no plans to make these roads 20mph. If there were issues with speed and/or accidents the Council would investigate to see what measures could be implemented.

Petitions Presented to Council officers on 13 October 2017

4.2 Werrington Speed Limit

This petition was presented to Council officers on 13 October 2017 by Mr Proudfoot. The petition contained 561 valid signatures and called on the Council to introduce a default 20mph speed limit on The Green, Church Street, Amberley Slope, Twelvetree Avenue and parts of Lincoln Road, Werrington ward.

The Prevention and Enforcement Service Manager advised of the previously mentioned councillor led task and finish group into 20mph speed limits. A date would be arranged with the lead petitioner to meet on site with Highways Services and if there were any issues with speed and/or accidents the Council would investigate this and see what other measures could be implemented.

As this petition has received over 500 signatures, the lead petition has requested that it be debated by Full Council. The item will be included on the agenda of the next Full Council meeting on 24 January 2018.

5. REASON FOR THE RECOMMENDATION

- 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.

6. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 6.1 There have been no alternative options considered.

7. IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 There are no legal, financial, or equalities implications arising from the issues considered.

8. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

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

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