

BARNSLEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

Report of the Chief Executive

Petitions received under Standing Order 44

1. Purpose of Report

To consider action in respect of petitions received by the Chief Executive under Standing Order 44.

2. Recommendations

2.1 That Cabinet agree the action to be taken in response to the petitions referred to in the report in line with the Council's Petitions Scheme.

3. Background

- 3.1** The Council's Standing Order 44 requires that "All petitions relating to a matter over which the Council ... has authority or which affects the Borough shall be presented to the Chief Executive who shall refer them to the relevant officer for investigation."
- 3.2** The Petitions Scheme, which was revised in April, 2013, requires petitions to be reported into Cabinet. This report sets out recent petitions received and the recommended response.
- 3.3** Whilst the report of petitions to Cabinet fulfils this duty requirement, Cabinet may wish to consider further action, such as referring any petition to the relevant Area Council.

4. Details of Petitions Received

- 4.1** Details of the petitions received up to this meeting of Cabinet are set out in the appendix attached, including a recommendation of the action to be taken for consideration. Members should note that individual petitions will not be the subject of further reports to Cabinet unless this is specifically requested at the meeting when the petition is reported.

5. List of Appendices

- 5.1** Details of Petitions received.

6. Background Papers

Petitions presented to the Chief Executive. Available for inspection in the Council Governance Unit, Town Hall, Barnsley, except where the petitions contain Exempt Information.

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Petitions received under Standing Order 44 - Cabinet – 24th August, 2016

Issue	No. of Signatories	Date Received	Action recommended under the Petitions Scheme
Request for action to deal with excessive speed of vehicles along Weetshaw Lane and Shaw Lane in Cudworth, Barnsley	70 signatories	13/7/2016	<p>Speed enforcement is a matter for South Yorkshire Police and the South Yorkshire Safety Camera Partnership.</p> <p>Officers from the Traffic team are currently involved with concerns for speeding on part of this route</p> <p>It is recommended that the Service Director, Environment and Transport arrange for a speed survey to be carried out on Weetshaw Lane and the results be shared with South Yorkshire Police, the South Yorkshire Safety Camera Partnership, Councillors and the PACT.</p>

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Concerns regarding traffic on Doncaster Road cross outside Oakhill Primary Academy, including request to reinstate the school crossing patrol	229 signatories (of which 193 are within Barnsley from an on-line petition)	14/7/2016	<p>Oakhill primary school is situated on the A635 Doncaster Road, Ardsley, which is a dual-carriageway.</p> <p>This position requires 2 school crossing patrols, both patrols left in quick succession due to ill-health and this location has been without a crossing patrol for almost 12 months.</p> <p>It is recommended that the Service Director, Environment and Transport write to the lead petitioner to advise that every effort has been made during the last 12 months to recruit 2 new crossing patrols and those efforts will continue. In addition the letter will address their concerns for road safety.</p>

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Issue	No. of Signatories	Date Received	Action recommended under the Petitions Scheme
Concerns regarding threat of loss of bus services in the Penistone area due to the SYPTE current consultation.	242 signatories	29/7/2016	<p>The SYPTE matter has undertaken a Barnsley Bus Partnership consultation which closed on 31st July, 2016.</p> <p>The petition was forwarded to the SYPTE to be considered as part of their consultation process.</p> <p>However, the decision rests with SYPTE about what action it takes with regard to this petition.</p>