

Nottinghamshire County Council

11th September 2014

Agenda Item: 16

REPORT OF SERVICE DIRECTOR, HIGHWAYS and SERVICE DIRECTOR, TRANSPORT, PROPERTY & ENVIRONMENT

RESPONSES TO PETITIONS PRESENTED TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL ON 26^{TH} JUNE 2014.

Purpose of the Report

The purpose of this report is to recommend to Committee the responses to the issues raised in petitions presented to the Chairman of the County Council at the Council meeting on 26th June:

A. Petition Regarding Parking on Carsic Lane, Sutton (Ref 2014/071)

- 1. A 14 signature petition was presented to the 26th June meeting of the County Council by Councillor David Kirkham. The petitioners requested the introduction of parking restrictions on Carsic Lane Sutton in Ashfield
- 2. Carsic Lane is a residential street situated close to Sutton town centre. The majority of properties in the area concerned are semi detached/detached and have available off street parking .Therefore the introduction of a residents parking scheme would not be considered. There is no accident history in relation to vehicles being parked in this vicinity due to parked vehicles and the location has been checked several times and no vehicles were found to be blocking any driveways.
- 3. However the condition of the existing carriageway markings is poor and I have arranged for all the carriageway markings including the existing H bars to be renewed
- 4. It is recommended that the lead petitioner be informed accordingly.

B. <u>Petition Requesting Residents' Parking on Middle and Lower Orchard Street,</u> <u>Stapleford (Ref 2014/072)</u>

5. A petition was presented to the 26th June 2014 meeting of the County Council by Councillor Jacky Williams on behalf of 17 residents of Lower Orchard Street and Middle Orchard

Street, Stapleford. The petition requests that a residents' parking scheme is introduced on these roads.

- 6. Both roads are residential streets located near to the town centre. The newer properties on Middle Orchard Street have off-street parking but the older properties do not; there is no off-street parking available on Lower Orchard Street.
- 7. Residents complain that staff at the nearby health centre park on both roads all day making it difficult for residents to return to their properties.
- Requests for residents' parking are considered against the current policy for new schemes which states that there should be :
 a. significant levels of current requests from residents
 b. non-resident parking which is detrimental to the vitality of the local centre or other
 Local Transport Plan objectives, and
 c. a trip-attractor which causes non-resident intrusive parking.
- 9. It was agreed that the county council would carry out an investigation to determine whether a residents' parking scheme could be considered for inclusion in a future year's programme.
- 10. It is recommended that the lead petitioner be informed accordingly.

C. <u>Petition regarding the Bus Gate at Nuthall (Ref 2014/073)</u>

- 11. A 41 signature petition was presented to the meeting of the County Council held on 26 June 2014 by Councillor Philip Owen requesting exemption for residents to use the bus gate on Nottingham Road during its operational hours.
- 12. This matter was considered by the Transport and Highways Committee on 9 January 2014 as part of the approval for the commencement of enforcement at this location.
- 13. As stated in the report to that meeting such an exemption was also considered at the time that the bus gate was introduced in 2003 / 2004. Following representations at that time an additional traffic signal junction was constructed for the benefit of residents. The report also detailed the issues concerning an exemption and the implications of attempting to provide and manage an exemption.
- 14. It is recommended that the lead petitioner be informed.

D. Petition Regarding Service 47 on Moor Lane, Woodborough (Ref 2014/074)

- 15. A 10 signature petition was presented to the 26 June meeting of the County Council by Councillor Boyd Elliott requesting the reinstatement of NCT Bus Service 47 to Moor Lane, Woodborough.
- 16. Moor Lane had unfortunately been omitted from the new service timetable which started at the beginning of August. Officers made immediate emergency arrangements to provide an

hourly off peak Calverton-Moor Lane-Lowdham shuttle service where passengers can connect for services to Nottingham and Arnold.

- 17. NCT are planning to revise Service 47 later this year so that it can serve Moor Lane.
- 18. It is recommended that the lead petitioner be informed.

Reason for Recommendation

19. To recommend to Committee the responses to issues raised in petitions presented to the County Council on 26th June 2014.

Statutory and Policy Implications

20. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of crime and disorder, finance, human resources, human rights, the NHS Constitution (Public Health only), the public sector equality duty, safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults, service users, sustainability and the environment and ways of working and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

RECOMMENDATION/S

It is RECOMMENDED that the proposed actions be approved, the lead petitioners be informed accordingly and a report be presented to Full Council for the actions to be noted.

For any enquiries about this report please contact: Peter Barker.

Background Papers

None

Electoral Division(s)

Sutton in Ashfield Central, Bramcote and Stapleford, Nuthall, Calverton