

**4 February 2021**

**Agenda Item:12**

## **REPORT OF THE CORPORATE DIRECTOR, PLACE**

### **RESPONSES TO PETITIONS PRESENTED TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL**

#### **Purpose of the Report**

1. The purpose of this report is to recommend to Committee the responses to the issues raised in a petition presented to the County Council at its 15<sup>th</sup> October meeting.

#### **Information**

##### **A.Traffic safety measures, Bingham (Ref:2019/0398)**

2. A 267 signature petition was presented to the 15<sup>th</sup> October meeting of the County Council by Councillor Neil Clarke, requesting that traffic calming features are installed on the busy roads in Bingham (including Carnarvon Place).
3. The petition was initiated following an unfortunate road traffic incident on Carnarvon Place in September of this year.
4. The Authority actively promotes road safety on the County's roads, with an emphasis on locations such as Carnarvon Place, where there are an increased number of vulnerable highway users. We have previously implemented a number of features at this site in a bid to lower traffic speeds and improve road safety. For example, 'Children' warning signage, SLOW road markings and a school 20mph zone.
5. In the last 3 years, Via's Safer Highways Team have also delivered road safety education to all years at Bingham Robert Miles Infant School. The team were hopeful of booking a further session with the school in July 2020, but due to the Covid-19 pandemic were unable to deliver the package. The school have however been approached to reschedule this visit.
6. The Authority is of course sorry to learn of the recent incident on Carnarvon Place, but following investigations of the site must confirm that its safety record does not meet criteria for physical traffic calming measures. Unfortunately therefore the request to install these features on this road has been declined. We will of course, continue to monitor the situation and take any necessary action if there are any significant changes.
7. In respect of installing traffic calming at other locations in Bingham, Via's Safer Highways Team work closely with Nottinghamshire Police to proactively identify and treat sites that have an existing injury accident problem. There are currently no such schemes proposed in

Bingham. However, the Authority are always happy to assess locations that are brought to its attention on a case to case basis. We will however, due to the concern of the Community, install additional road markings, signage and reflective marker posts on Carnarvon Place. These measures will be delivered as part of the 2021/22 programme.

8. It is recommended that the lead petitioner be informed accordingly

## **Statutory and Policy Implications**

9. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of crime and disorder, data protection and information governance finance, human resources, human rights, the NHS Constitution (public health services), the public sector equality duty, safeguarding of children and adults at risk, service users, smarter working, sustainability and the environment and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is recommended that:

- 1) the proposed actions be approved, and the lead petitioners be informed accordingly;
- 2) the outcome of Committee's consideration be reported to Full Council.

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**Corporate Director, Place**

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### **Constitutional Comments (SG 08/01/2021)**

10. This decision falls within the Terms of Reference of the Communities & Place Committee to whom responsibility for the consideration of petitions concerning matters falling under the remit of that Committee and the reporting back to Full Council in relation to the same has been delegated in accordance with the County Council's Petition Scheme.

### **Financial Comments (SES 05/01/2021)**

11. There are no specific financial implications arising directly from this report.

### **Background Papers and Published Documents**

- None

### **Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected**

- Bingham ED – Cllr Neil Clarke