



DERBY CITY COUNCIL

AREA PANEL 3

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Report of the Head of Stronger and Safer Communities Unit, Derby
Community Safety Partnership

Area Panel 3 Community Issues Update Report

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Item no	Issue	Recommended panel action
Abbey ward		
1.1	Petition – St Alban's Road, junction of Manor Road	Note
Arboretum ward		
1.2	Highways – between the Spot and Bradshaw Way	Note
Normanton ward		
1.3	Land – Sackville Street / Kenilworth Avenue	Note
1.4	Petition – Removal of road humps, Browning Street, Upperdale Road and Stanhope Street	Note and close
1.5	Cameron Road Homezone	Note
1.6	Balaclava Road Parking	Note and close
1.7	Parking on Church Street	Note and close
All Wards		
1.8	Fear of crime for older people	Note
Outstanding issues		
1.9	Items to be presented to a future meeting:	
	Cameron Road Homezone	Report back June 2007
	Traffic issues	Report back June 2007

1.1 Ref: 306020 – Petition – St Albans Road, junction of Manor Road

Issue: A petition submitted by 150 residents living along St Albans Road was submitted requesting the Council consider options to address the volume and speed of traffic on the road. The residents put forward a number of proposals to address the issues raised which include traffic calming measures, speed cameras and the option of making some roads one-way or no entry.

Action: To refer to Councillor Wynn, Cabinet Member responsible for Highways and Transportation for a response.

Update: A report in response to the petition is an item on the agenda. **Propose to note.**

Further information: Neil Palfreyman, Traffic Management Engineer, Regeneration and Community, telephone 716090

1.2 Ref: 306003 – Highways – between the Spot and Bradshaw Way

Issue: A resident raised a number of issues relating to the condition of highways and pavements in the area.

1. London Road – the surface is dangerous and heavily soiled every day.
2. Osmaston Road – the road is heavily soiled
3. The Spot: Red brick surfacing was installed in 1992/3 for Promenade and was supposed to be permanent as were the trees in the area. All have been removed and the surfacing has been replaced with Yorkshire Stone, which is extravagant, and a waste of mineral resources – why?
4. At the Area Panel 3 in January 2005, residents were assured that the public would be fully informed of current local development issues in the area but have not been.

The resident has requested that there be an explanation of these persistent failures and has requested costings and an estimated time for a remedy.

Action: Provide a response to the next meeting.

Update: Further information is required from the resident outlining the full nature of their query and their dissatisfaction with the previous response. In the absence of this information, the department is unable to provide further information. **Propose to note.**

Further information: Nigel Brien, Traffic Manager, Regeneration and Community, telephone 715106

1.3 Ref: 306012 – Land, Sackville Street/Kenilworth Avenue, Normanton

Issue: There is a piece of land on the corner of Sackville Street/Village Street and Kenilworth Avenue that is currently creating an eyesore. A local resident asked the panel for clarification on who owns the land, and what was going to be its intended use.

Action: To provide an update on ownership and clearance of the land.

Update: A response has yet to be received from the landowner. The neighbourhood Team are pursuing as part of their weekly tasking and co-ordination meetings. **Propose to note.**

Further information: Purjinder Gill, Neighbourhood Manager, Stronger and Safer Communities Unit, telephone 258538

1.4 Ref: 305040 – Petition – Removal of road humps, Browning Street, Upperdale Road and Stanhope Street

Issue: A petition was received at the meeting requesting the removal of the traffic humps on Browning Street, Upperdale Road and Stanhope Street in Normanton. It stated that the road humps on the roads were very intrusive and damage cars and other vehicles. They are also having a negative impact on the elderly, infirm – particularly those with back problems, and the general public who travel in vehicles over them. It was noted in the petition that these types of humps had been removed from various roads in Sinfin and Boulton.

Action: To submit a report to the Cabinet Member for Highways and Transportation - Executive Member briefing meeting to be held in December for decision

Update: In line with the new petitions procedure, Area Panels can refer a matter to the Cabinet member for a decision. Once it has been referred, the decision made by the Cabinet Member is final. This matter has been referred to the Cabinet Member and as reported at the last Area Panel meeting, the Cabinet Member decision was as follows:

1. The request for the removal of traffic calming is refused.
2. The speed cushions on Upperdale Road and Stanhope Street are reshaped to lessen their impact on vehicles while retaining the road safety benefits that they bring.

Area Panels put the scheme forward as a priority for the 2007/08 Highways and Transportation programme. The report approved by the Cabinet Member recommended that an alternative traffic-calming scheme be introduced for Upperdale Road only. This work forms part of the 2007/08 programme of Highways and Transportation schemes.

Propose to note and close.

Further information: Tony Gascoigne, Traffic Control Engineer, Regeneration and Community telephone 715019

1.5 Ref: 305006 – Cameron Road Homezone improvements and wheelie bins

Issue: A resident reported that Morrisons had sent a letter to all residents on Cameron Road giving advance notice about works relating to painting of lines. Residents were asked to move their cars, however, on the day in question Morrisons did not actually carry out the work. When queried, Morrisons replied that they had not undertaken the work as cars had been parked on the road however; the resident stated that this was not the case. He stated that he was appalled by the level and quality of the workmanship of Morrisons. The resident also raised the issue about being invited to complete a survey. Finally the resident requested further information on Atkins Consultants who are carrying out the survey work and he wanted to know why the City Council could not undertake the work rather than the Consultants.

Action: To provide an update on the survey and outcomes to a future meeting of the Area Panel and write a response to the resident.

Update: W.S. Atkins were invited, following the receipt of competitive quotes, to undertake the after study of the Home Zone because it was considered most appropriate to use an independent organisation. Their final report is scheduled to be delivered by the end of March and the outcomes will be reported to a future meeting of the Area Panel. A report is expected outlining responses to the survey at the 20 June 2007 Area Panel meeting. **Propose to note.**

Further information:

Neil Palfreyman, Traffic Management Engineer, Development and Cultural Services, telephone 716090.

1.6 Ref: 306051 – Balaclava Road parking

Issue: A resident requested that double yellow lines be installed at the traffic lights on Balaclava Road as there are problems with congestion and inconsiderate parking.

Action: Provide a response to the next meeting and directly to the resident.

Update: Balaclava Road has double yellow lines on both sides for its entire length. This 'No waiting at any time' restriction already covers the traffic lights at its junction with the Ring Road.

The presence of some local shops in this vicinity can lead to indiscriminate parking close to the lights. We are aware of this and the Parking Attendants carry out regular enforcement patrols in this area. Since August 2006, 49 separate visits have been made to this location with 53 vehicles observed to be parked in contravention of the restrictions. 46 of these vehicles were moved on and 7 received Penalty Charge Notices.

These enforcement patrols will continue in order to ensure that the existing parking restrictions are observed. **Propose to note and close.**

Further information:

Neil Palfreyman, Traffic Management Engineer, Development and Cultural Services, telephone 716090.

1.7 Ref: 306053 – Parking on Church Street

Issue: A resident submitted a petition relating to Derby City Council having decided to paint new double yellow lines in a previously unmarked area, of which was regularly used by residents to park their cars over many years. Consequently residents have been fined as early as 8am, for parking in their spaces. One resident had been using this space for over fifteen years. Furthermore, after so many years of having a more secure and safer option of parking, this new change is highly distressing. This change has also not taken into account the fact that some car owners here, who are registered disabled, will face further problems. The resident suggested the option of parking permits for residents of Church Street, to eliminate all the problems that this change is causing.

Action: To refer to Councillor Wynn, Cabinet Member responsible for Highways and Transportation for a response.

Update: A report in response to the petition is an item on the agenda. **Propose to note and close.**

Further information:

Neil Palfreyman, Traffic Management Engineer, Development and Cultural Services, telephone 716090.

1.8 Ref: 306055 – Fear of Crime for Older People

Issue: What has been done to address the national target of deprived areas dealing with the fear of crime and burglary in Normanton. What services are available for older people: security measures, warden patrols, advocacy and police measures.

Action: Provide a response to the next meeting and directly to the resident.

Update: A letter has gone out to the resident providing advice on services available to older people. The resident has also been made aware of the Neighbourhood Forums in the area. **Propose to note.**

Further information:

Pop Gill, Neighbourhood Manager, Community Safety Partnership, telephone 258538

1.9 Outstanding issues

Issue	Outstanding action	Date to report back
Ref: 305006 - Cameron Road Homezone improvements and wheelie bins, Normanton	Report back on the outcomes of the study	June 2007
Ref 306015 - Traffic issues, Normanton and Arboretum	Report back on the outcomes and actions arising from the Normanton study	June 2007

PROPOSED ACTION

2.1 To consider and note the report.

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Background papers:	Area Panel 3 community issues update report, background information on Council Management Information System www.derby.gov.uk
List of appendices:	None