

**REPORT FOR: Traffic and Road Safety
Advisory Panel**

Date of Meeting: 5 February 2014

Subject: INFORMATION REPORT - Petitions

Petitions relating to:

1. Kenton Park Parade, Kenton - Proposed loading bay
2. Becmead Avenue, Kenton - request to remove Saturday morning parking restrictions
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23. Kenton Park Avenue, Kenton - request for double yellow lines

Responsible Officer: Caroline Bruce - Corporate Director, Environment & Enterprise

Exempt: No

Enclosures: **Appendix A** –Kenton Park Parade plan of loading bay proposals
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Section 1 – Summary and Recommendations

This report sets out details of the petitions that have been received since the last TARSAP meeting and provides details of the Council's investigations and findings where these have been undertaken.

FOR INFORMATION

Section 2 – Report

Petition 1 - Kenton Park Parade Proposed loading bay - Petitions in support and against.

- 2.1 A petition was received in October 2013 supporting a proposal at statutory consultation:

“We, the undersigned support the petition to have loading bays on Kenton Road in front of Kenton Park Parade”

- 2.2 The petition was signed by 210 customers and trades people using the adjacent premises.

- 2.3 Three separate petitions have been received during November against the loading bay proposals. These state:

“Petition to object to the proposed 15m loading bay and extension of double yellow lines outside Kenton Park Parade” with 31 signatures .

There is a second similar worded petition containing 79 signatures and a third similar worded petition containing 68 signatures.

- 2.4 The background is that a request was made by a councillor to provide loading facilities in the vicinity of No 8 Kenton Park Parade/Telephone Exchange at the end of a bus stop clearway marking. Following a site meeting with officers a proposal, shown on the plan in **Appendix A** was subject to statutory consultation.

- 2.5 The results of the statutory consultation will be considered by the Portfolio Holder for Community Safety and Environment and a verbal update will be given at the panel meeting

Petition 2 - Becmead Avenue, Kenton - Request to remove parking restrictions on Saturday morning

- 2.6 A petition has been received by residents of Becmead Avenue with 61 signatures. The petition states:

“ We, the undersigned, request that the Council removes the parking restriction in Becmead Avenue, Kenton, and Harrow HA3 on a Saturday morning between 11.00am and 12.00 midday as a matter of priority. We consider that there is no need for this restriction to be imposed on Saturdays.

We ask and hope that the Council will give this matter serious consideration”

- 2.7 The existing parking controls, which operate Monday to Saturday 11am to 12 noon, have been operational for over 15 years. They cover the western half of the road as well as the adjoining roads Mayfield Avenue and Willow Court Avenue off Kenton Road.
- 2.8 Officers have met with the lead petitioner to explain the processes which are involved to make the changes which involve formal statutory consultation.
- 2.9 The request is considered in the annual parking review report presented to this panel meeting but does not score highly in the programme entry process which was agreed by the panel in October 2011. The scheme is being considered for alternative funding through the Neighbourhood Investment Scheme (NIS) by the ward councillor. Any updates will be given verbally at the meeting.

Petition 3 - Hutton Lane Harrow Weald - Request for footway parking

- 2.10 A petition containing 36 signatures from 18 properties in Hutton Lane was presented to Council in July 2013. The petition states:
- “We call upon Harrow Borough Council to allow residents to park with two wheels on and two wheels off the kerb of Hutton Lane, we also petition the Council to make changes to allow residents to park in their own driveway or to have the kerb reduced to allow for parking on both sides of the road”*
- 2.11 Footway parking is prohibited across the whole of Greater London unless specifically permitted and shown by appropriate signs and road markings backed up by a legal traffic regulation order. The council has two main criteria before considering such requests. These are:
- a) That a minimum 1.5m width of footway should be left to cater for pedestrians, disabled, children’s buggies and wheelchairs , and
 - b) The footway is constructed to a standard which is strong enough to protect underground services otherwise the council could become liable for damage or consequential damage.
- 2.12 Neither of these criteria can be met in Hutton Lane. In the case of parking in driveways (front gardens) the Council has a well established policy of only considering dropped vehicular crossings if

the front garden meets the minimum depth criteria of 4.8m. This is to ensure that the footway is clear of obstruction as set out above. Unfortunately the front gardens of the properties do not meet these criteria.

- 2.13 The petitioners have been informed of the above information and have subsequently requested that the adjacent grass verge on the western side of the road be converted to car parking. It is clear that the parking pressures come from the residents themselves and not commuters or others. The substantial grass verge is not part of the public highway and is in control of the housing department who have a policy of not converting grass areas for parking. In addition there is no budget available to carry out any works even if permission was granted.
- 2.14 Petitioners have been informed of this additional information and the panel is asked to note the information.

Petition 4 - Dalkeith Grove Stanmore - request for CPZ

- 2.15 A petition has been received with 98 signatures representing 43 properties in Dalkeith Grove Stanmore. The petition states; "We, the residents of Dalkeith Grove, are requesting an extension of the Controlled Parking Zone (CPZ) to Dalkeith Grove, in line with all the surrounding roads.

"Following the introduction of the CPZ to Ducros Drive in April 2013, many commuters are now parking their cars on Dalkeith Grove for the whole day. This adds to the chaos on what is already a very busy road and reduces the number of car parking spaces for parents picking up and dropping off to the two schools on Dalkeith Grove- Aylward Primary School and North London Collegiate School.

At school drop off and pick up times the road is incredibly congested and with cars parked on both sides of the road there is only space for one car to pass down the middle of the road. With cars coming in both directions the road often becomes impassable as most drivers are reluctant to wait and let other cars go. In order to get the traffic moving the cars then resort to driving along the pavements often hooting at pedestrians to move out of their way.

This is a daily occurrence on Dalkeith Grove on weekdays and with schoolchildren walking along the pavements this is just a tragic accident waiting to happen.

We are requesting that the council should:

- *Undertake a public consultation for CPZ on Dalkeith Grove*
- *Introduce yellow lines with parking restrictions for 1 hour a day."*

- 2.16 At the October 2013 meeting of the Panel it was recommended that Dalkeith Grove (and Dovercourt Gardens/Heronslea Drive due to potential displacement) be included in a follow up review of parking around Canons Station. This was ratified by the Portfolio Holder for

Community Safety and Environment which was effective from 28th November 2013.

- 2.17 Officers have been in communication with the lead petitioners to try to expedite the necessary work to carry out any works as well as clarify some issues over exactly what residents would support. They have consulted residents and the majority support yellow lines on both sides of the road Monday to Friday between 3pm and 4pm. Around a third of respondents also wanted an additional hour between 8am and 9am.
- 2.18 Officers intend to prepare the necessary draft legal traffic orders and carry out statutory consultation as early as resources permit in 2014. It is intended to report the results to the June panel meeting once the dates of 2014/15 meetings are confirmed.
- 2.19 The panel is asked to note the actions taken so far.

Petition 5 - Leathsail Road, South harrow - Request for CPZ operating at all times

- 2.20 A petition was presented to Cabinet in October containing 13 signatures from 13 properties, 10 in Leathsail Road and 3 from Corbins Lane. The petition states: "We the undersigned petition Harrow Council to create a controlled full time parking zone (CPZ) on Leathsail Road South Harrow. People are parking on Leathsail Road who live on the new development Little Northolt. When residents get home from work there is no where to park"
- 2.21 The background is that the CPZ was extended to cover Leathsail Road and Corbins Close in 2012 and operates from Monday to Saturday 10am-11am and 2pm to 3pm. These are the operational hours of Zone M which covers a substantial number of roads around South Harrow.
- 2.22 Since the above restrictions became operational a new development has taken place on the corner of Corbins Lane/Northolt Road. This development has very limited off street parking provision and is parking permit restricted. However the parking controls in the area are designed to deal with "commuter" parking and do not deal with the problem of residents from the new development that have been highlighted.
- 2.23 The request is considered in the annual parking review report presented to this panel meeting and the panel is asked to note this information.

Petition 6 - Whitmore Road West Harrow - request for CPZ

- 2.24 A petition was presented to Cabinet in October with 40 signatures which states:

“We the undersigned, recognising that parking in the area has become congested to the point where safety is being compromised petition Harrow Council to introduce controlled parking in Whitmore Road between Bessborough Road and Porlock/Treve Avenues”

- 2.25 The petition represents 39 properties in Whitmore Road and 1 from Bessborough Road. The area was subject to public consultation in 2010 when 54 % of respondents supported a CPZ. Statutory consultation was carried out in 2012 and only 36% support for the scheme was demonstrated and 23 statutory objections received. Consequently no CPZ was installed in the road.
- 2.26 There is no planned follow up parking review of the area but the request is included in the annual parking review report separately reported to this panel meeting.
- 2.27 The panel is requested to note the situation.

Petition 7 - Belmont Circle Belmont - request for parking controls

- 2.28 A petition has been received from businesses on Belmont Circle businesses requesting parking controls in front of the shops. The petition signed by 6 businesses requests:
- “As the owner of a shop in Belmont Circle we are having complaints from our customers that there isn’t a parking space in front of the shops. We are seeing cars which do not belong to customers and they tend to stay at the area for long hours which creates a huge problem for us as the shop owners, as it affects our profit in some ways. We are wondering if it is possible to put a time limit or a pay machine to the car park to discourage other people using the car park unnecessarily. We would appreciate if you could do something about this issue.”*
- 2.29 Currently there are no parking controls in this area that limits the stay of vehicles. Placing a time limit on the maximum stay of vehicles is impractical to enforce but a pay and display system could help especially as the recent review of parking charges would mean a local centre such as Belmont Circle would have on street charges of only 10p per 20 mins.
- 2.30 The matter was included in a public consultation in the Belmont Circle Area carried out in Oct/Nov 2013 which included 3,300 residential and business premises. The results of this consultation are reported separately to this Panel meeting
- 2.31 The panel is asked to note the position.

Petition 8 - Kenton Road, Kenton - Objection to Proposed double yellow lines

2.32 A petition containing 69 signatures from businesses and customers on Kenton Road has been submitted following consultation on double yellow lines as part of the Localised Safety Parking Programme (LSPP).

2.33 The petition states :

“ I object because it will drastically reduce the availability of parking in the area. I would be inclined to find parking in residential areas further away and it would make me re consider visiting the (Only Eggless) store and others along Kenton Road. I would do my shopping in other areas with assured spaces”

2.34 A plan of the proposal is shown in **Appendix B**. The petition will be considered along with all other formal submissions as part of the statutory consultation process. These will be reported to the Portfolio Holder for Community Safety and Environment in accordance with the previously agreed decision making process.

2.35 The panel is asked to note the situation.

Petition 9 - Kerry Court / Kerry Avenue Stanmore - request for extended parking restriction operating times

2.36 A petition has been received containing 34 signatures which was presented to Council. The petition states:

“We the undersigned being residents of Kerry Court and Kerry Avenue are drawing up this petition for the parking times in the above to be extended, as parking has become a nightmare with Jubilee Cars mini-cabs and other people using parking spaces etc.”

2.37 The roads lie opposite Stanmore Station and currently they are within CPZ zone H which is operational Monday to Saturday 10am-11am and 3pm-4pm. As such they are designed to mitigate the effects of commuter parking in the roads. They were subject to a parking review and follow up review carried out in 2008/2009/2010. Whilst there was at the time some requests to change the control period it was not practical other than changing the controls timings of the whole zone for which there was not majority support. Since that time legislation has changed to allow individual short sections of road or cul de sacs to be controlled in a different manner.

2.38 A major source of complaint is the mini cabs operating from an office adjacent to the station building owned by Transport for London (TfL). There are however no spaces in the fronting service road, which is owned by TfL, for mini cabs to wait.

- 2.39 There is no programmed review of parking in this area and so the request is considered as part of the annual parking review report submitted separately to this panel meeting.
- 2.40 The panel is asked to note the situation.

Petition 10 - St Joseph School Belmont - request for zebra crossing Kenton Lane

- 2.41 A petition was present to Council containing 395 signatures from parents and local residents organised by St Joseph's School. The petition states:
- “ Help us to keep safe. Please sign our petition to support us in our appeal for a zebra crossing on Kenton lane outside our school. It will help keep our children, parents and local residents safer when crossing this busy main road.”*
- 2.42 We are aware of the issues in this area and have implemented measures to support pedestrians crossing the road in this location previously. We introduced new dropped kerbs with block paved areas close to the school entrance where the school crossing patrol operates in Kenton Lane as part of a local safety scheme in 2007 to help pedestrians. In addition we upgraded the subway and rear access to the school in 2012 which runs underneath Kenton Lane and links the school with the northern side also adjacent to the public car park. These works were carried out in conjunction with the school and the pupils produced a mural on the subway walls to enhance the route for pedestrians.
- 2.43 The council receives many requests each year for new controlled pedestrian facilities such as zebra crossings. Investigations are undertaken on all requests to assess the level of need and prioritise requests so that we can decide which schemes are taken forward. Each site is surveyed and the results compared with national criteria to identify the most suitable locations.
- 2.44 The main factors measured are the number of people crossing the road, the volume and speed of traffic and the number of personal injury accidents on the road near to the proposed site. Other factors to consider include, site geometry, the width of the road and the proximity of local amenities such as hospitals, schools and shops.
- 2.45 Periodically a list of potential sites is put together and contributes toward the development of a works programme which is put forward to Transport for London (TfL) for future funding. TfL funds most of our traffic and road safety initiatives.
- 2.46 In recognition of the issues raised in the petition this request will be included on our list of sites for investigation to see if a case can be made for a zebra crossing.

Petition 11 - Brendon Gardens South Harrow - request for CPZ

- 2.47 A petition has been received from residents of Brendon Gardens containing 13 signatures. This states:

“There is a shortage of parking for the residents of Brendon Gardens that is caused by non-residents parking on the street for long periods of time every day. I would like residents parking controls to be introduced on Brendon Gardens”

- 2.48 The road lies just south of the existing CPZ Zone M covering a large section of South Harrow. The road was last reviewed in 2004 where there was majority support for inclusion in the area CPZ. However following statutory consultation no proposals were implemented.

- 2.49 The request is included in the annual parking review report separately reported to this panel meeting.

- 2.50 The panel is asked to note the situation

Petition 12 - Whittington Way Pinner - Petition against CPZ proposals

- 2.51 A petition containing 50 signatures has been received regarding parking in Whittington Way, 12 of the signatures are from residents of Whittington Way and 38 from other roads within Pinner. The petition states:

“ We as residents in Whittington Way are unhappy at the above proposal. This is a needless proposal as there is no problem regarding parking in this area. It is not near a tube station or a shopping centre or a school or very near a public house. We residents do not have any complaints regarding the current parking arrangements and it will be advisable for you not to introduce, meddle or make it a Controlled Parking Zone. By introducing the above you will cause many problems to us-the residents. There are pensioners who are living and the above proposal will only increase the financial burdens on them. Further more there is no justification or need to introduce a Controlled Parking Zone in this area as the present parking arrangements is working well and not creating any problems to all. Any changes to the present will definitely cause a catalogue of problems to the residents on Whittington Way. We strongly protest at the above proposal and advise you not to go ahead with this proposal. We residents are hereby submitting a petition to stop this disastrous proposal”

- 2.52 The background is that the panel agreed in February 2013 to carry out a parking review in Pinner. A stakeholders meeting held in June 2013 agreed a consultation boundary which extended south as far as Whittington Way. As normal practice this was to allow any effects of parking displacement to be taken into account if other surrounding roads decided to be included in the CPZ.

- 2.53 Although the petition states the council is proposing a CPZ in Whittington Road this is not the case as no definite proposals have been developed. The consultation document was delivered in June/July 2013 to approximately 6000 residential and business properties within Pinner. A copy of the consultation document is contained in **Appendix C**. The enclosed questionnaire has only asked people if they had any parking problems and, if so, did they support various forms of parking control.
- 2.54 The results of this consultation, including this petition have been included in a Portfolio Holder report on the public consultation results as the normal TARSAP meeting scheduled for November 2013 was cancelled. A verbal update on the outcome will be given at the panel meeting.
- 2.55 The panel are asked to note the action taken.

Petition 13 - Cecil Park Pinner – Request for parking controls.

- 2.56 A petition containing 72 signatures, 65 from Cecil park residents and 7 from surrounding road has been submitted. The petition states:

“We, the undersigned residents of Cecil Park call for Harrow Council to take urgent action to remedy the traffic gridlock, increased traffic flow, volume of cars, regular obstruction to property and escalating pollution on Cecil Park created by the parents of Reddiford School on their twice daily school run. For the safety of our local community, we suggest parking restrictions to be enforced on Cecil Park between 0815 and 9.30am and 3.00pm and 4.30pm during weekdays.”

- 2.57 The petition was received by officers after the public consultation on the Pinner Area Parking review was carried out in July 2013 which included Cecil Park. The consultation document can be seen in **Appendix C**.
- 2.58 An analysis of the consultation results and addresses of the petition signatures did not show a clear correlation and it is assumed that residents who signed the petition may have thought they did not need to repeat their views to the council via a completed questionnaire. A meeting was held with resident’s representatives, the chair of the panel and officers to better understand the background. Following consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Community Safety and Environment it was agreed that a repeat consultation of Cecil Park should be carried out. The outcome is being dealt with as part of the Portfolio Holder report as indicated in the item for petition 12.
- 2.59 The panel are asked to note the action taken.

Petition 14 - St Andrews Drive Belmont - Against implementation of parking controls

- 2.60 A petition containing 56 signatures from residents of St Andrews Drive has been received which states:

“Petition from residents of St Andrews Drive Stanmore HA7 opposing to introduction of parking measures on the road”

- 2.61 The background is that following approval of an area parking review at the February 2013 panel meeting a stakeholders meeting was held in July 2013 to agree a consultation area. St Andrews Drive is the eastern boundary of the agreed area. In accordance with standard practice this was to allow any effects of parking displacement to be taken into account if other surrounding roads decided to be included in the CPZ.

- 2.62 The results of the Belmont Circle Area Parking review public consultation are reported separately to this panel meeting and the petition has been taken into consideration. The petition also highlights problems of parking outside properties at school dropping off and picking up times and wants “No parking at school time” signs erected. This could only be properly addressed in the form of parking restrictions which the petition states residents are against.

- 2.63 The petition also asks for a reduced speed limit in the road, speed cameras and/or road humps. The road will be considered for inclusion in the local safety scheme programme subject to further investigation.

- 2.64 The panel is asked to note the situation

Petition 15 - Wetheral Drive Stanmore - Against introduction of parking restrictions

- 2.65 A petition has been received with 67 signatures from residents in Wetheral Drive Belmont. The petition states:

“We the undersigned residents of Wetheral Drive, do NOT support the introduction of a CPZ on our road, nor any other parking restrictions such as yellow lines.”

- 2.66 This road is within the consultation boundary of the Belmont Area Parking review similar to the item for petition 14. The consultation is designed to find out each households views on parking issues and if they support any parking measures. Each household was given the opportunity to respond on line or using the freepost envelope provided and give their detailed views in the privacy of their home.

- 2.67 The results of the Belmont Circle Area Parking review public consultation are reported separately to this panel meeting and the petition has been taken into consideration.

2.68 The panel is asked to note the situation

Petition 16 - Cambridge Road Car Park North Harrow - request retention of one hour free parking

2.69 A petition containing 335 signatures has been received which states:

“St John Fisher Catholic Primary School-A petition for the continuation of one hour free parking in Cambridge Road Car Park”

2.70 The background is that Cabinet in June 2013 approved statutory consultation on rationalising parking charges throughout the borough both on and off-street. The 1 hour free concession at North Harrow is the only concession in operation and Cabinet agreed a schedule of parking charges which included removal of the free concession at North Harrow and delegated the decision on formal objections to the Portfolio Holder for Community Safety and Environment . The results of statutory consultation were considered in a Portfolio Holder report in September 2013 and the decision was made to remove the 1 hour free concession.

2.71 The use of the car park by parents dropping off and picking up children in Cambridge Car Park as part of their school travel plan was noted in the decision making. A meeting between the school and officers was carried out in November 2013 in which the offer was made of operating a permit system for parents from the school to park free in Cambridge Road Car Park for a limited period each school day subject to certain criteria. At the time of writing this report a formal response from the school was awaited. A verbal update will be provided at the panel meeting.

2.72 The 1 hour free parking concession at North Harrow ceased on 6th January 2014.

2.73 The panel is asked to note the situation

Petition 17 - Reynolds Drive Queensbury - Against CPZ

2.74 A petition has been received containing 17 signatures from residents in Reynolds Drive which states:

“We, the residents of Reynolds Drive, do not wish for an enforcement of a controlled Parking Zone: Pay and Display or single yellow lines. We do not experience congestion/parking issues and we feel the disadvantages of implementing a new parking zone outweigh the benefits”

2.75 The background is that the panel agreed in February 2013 an area parking review in Queensbury. The panel may recall that in June 2013 they received a report on the receipt of a petition containing 19 signatures from residents in Reynolds Drive stating that they had a

parking problem and wanting something done to eliminate parking across driveways caused by commuters.

- 2.76 A stakeholder meeting held in July 2013 agreed a consultation area which included Reynolds Drive. Approx 4000 consultation documents were issued in the area and each household in Reynolds Drive was given an equal opportunity to respond on line or using the supplied reply paid envelope to express their views in private.
- 2.77 The public consultation results of this parking review are the subject of a separate report to this panel meeting where the petition was taken into consideration.
- 2.78 The panel is asked to note the situation

Petition 18 - Belsize Road Harrow Weald - request for footway parking

- 2.79 A petition containing 27 signatures from 14 properties in Belsize Road has been received. This states:

“We have received numerous complaints recently about the parking situation on Belsize Road. Although it is normal for vehicles to park with two wheels on the kerb to make space in the road for cars and bin lorries, Harrow Council have been issuing tickets to these vehicles. We agree the pavement needs to be kept clear, but Belsize Road has a pavement wide enough to accommodate parking areas for cars with two wheels off the road if parked responsibly. We believe that if the council were to mark out parking areas that would allow cars to park with 2 heels on the kerb, residents will stop being punished for courteous parking, while the area markings can ensure that vehicles no longer obstruct the pavement. I call upon Harrow Borough Council to mark out parking areas that will allow vehicles to park with 2 wheels on the kerb in Belsize Road”

- 2.80 In discussions with parking enforcement staff the council’s records show that no penalty charge notices have been issued in Belsize Road for footway parking in at least the last two years. The lead petitioner has been asked for further information about the tickets referred to in the petition but at the time of writing no response has been received.
- 2.81 The panel is asked to note the situation.

Petition 19 - Rayners Lane Request to permanently reinstate 20 mins free parking

- 2.82 A petition containing 300 signatures from traders, residents and visitors in Rayners Lane has been received. The petition states:

“First 20 minutes free car parking is critical to the shoppers and vitality of local business. Following the successful trial period we the resident,

traders and visitors deplore the Council's decision to scrap the free car parking. We urge the Council to reverse its decision taken at the Cabinet meeting on 17th October and without any delay make permanent provision for free 20 minutes car parking at Rayners Lane”

- 2.83 The background is that Cabinet in June 2013 agreed a trial in Rayners Lane to provide 20 mins free parking. The results of the trial which included parking surveys and pedestrian counts together with financial information was considered by Cabinet in October 2013. The decision made was not to roll the trial out borough wide and to cease the trial at Rayners Lane.
- 2.84 The decision was subject to call in. A call in sub committee was held in November to examine the Cabinet Decision and 4 of the grounds were upheld. The matter was reconsidered by Cabinet at a special meeting in November when the original decision to cease the free parking trial at Rayners Lane was confirmed. The trial ceased on site on 6th January 2014.
- 2.85 The panel is asked to note the situation.

Petition 20 - Eastcote Lane Objection to Parking Controls

- 2.86 A petition has been received containing 733 signatures from residents and customers of local businesses. the petition states:

“ We the undersigned have started this petition in order to object to the proposed yellow line parking restrictions planned for Eastcote Lane, for the Bus Route Improvement Scheme. We are totally opposed to Yellow Lines.”

- 2.87 The scheme shown on the plan in **Appendix F** is a bus priority scheme to address delays caused to buses and comprises yellow line waiting restrictions, a new roundabout and relocation of a pedestrian crossing.
- 2.88 The results of statutory consultation, including this petition, are planned to be discussed with the Portfolio Holder for Community Safety and Environment in accordance with the agreed decision making process. A verbal update will be given at the panel meeting.
- 2.89 The panel is asked to note the situation

Petition 21 - Heronslea Drive, Stanmore - Request for CPZ

- 2.90 A petition with 8 signatures has been received from residents of Heronslea Drive. The petition states:

“We, the residents of Heronslea Drive, Stanmore HA7 4QY, are in agreement that our road should have restricted parking (yellow lines) owing to the increasing number of cars parked in this narrow road. The problem has become far worse with time. Sometimes cars/vans

are parked blocking driveways or left for several days making access difficult especially for the elderly. Compounding the above, when an event day occurs at Wembley, the road becomes almost impassable. We would all like you (Councillors) to look into this difficult situation and champion our cause by exercising the pressure of your office to the relevant department so that parking restrictions are implemented”

- 2.91 The background is that in 2008 residents were consulted to see if there was any support for a CPZ when external funding was available from a S106 agreement for the construction of Wembley Stadium. At that time public consultation showed that there was 66% of residents against a CPZ and consequently no parking proposals were taken forward. At the October 2013 panel meeting it was agreed that a follow up consultation should be undertaken as part of a follow up review of parking around Canons Station. This was ratified by the Portfolio Holder for Community Safety and Environment which was effective from 28th November.
- 2.92 It is intended to carry out consultation as early as practicable in 2014 and the results reported to the June 2014 panel meeting once the dates of next financial year’s panel meetings are confirmed.
- 2.93 The panel is asked to note the situation.

Petition 22 - Regents Court Stonegrove Edgware - request for no entry sign

- 2.94 A petition containing 21 signatures from residents of Regents Court Stonegrove has been received. The petition states:
- “Petition to erect a No Entry Sign at the southern end (Pangbourne Drive end) of Regents Court. The object is to prevent drivers using the road as a rat run.”*
- 2.95 In respect of requests for traffic management measures, such as point no entry signs or traffic calming the council has an assessment criterion for prioritising these requests which is weighted to target sites where there is a history of personal injury accidents. This objective method of assessing requests has allowed Harrow to prioritise roads so that the worst accident and traffic problems can be dealt with first.
- 2.96 We have checked our most up to date accident data which has revealed that there have been no reported personal injury accidents in Stonegrove in the last 3 years. A three-year period of study is the standard nationally, by which traffic engineers assess the frequency of road accidents and identify particular accident trends for the purpose of assessing road safety and for making comparisons with other areas.
- 2.97 The low accident rate means that this locations would not be a priority for action. This is because there are other roads in the borough that

have significantly reater accident problems in conjunction with speeding traffic and high volumes of through traffic.

Petition 23 - Kenton Park Avenue Kenton request for double yellow lines

- 2.98 A petition containing 30 signatures from Kenton Park Avenue has been received. The petition states:

“We the undersigned residents of Harrow ask Harrow Council to improve the safety of the residents, motorists and pedestrians by implementing a double yellow line at the sharp 90 degree bend in Kenton Park Avenue, between house numbers 41-55. The motorists’ park in such a way that it makes it difficult for the residents to come out of their driveway, the council bin collection vehicle getting obstructed and it also impedes the road visibility. There have been many incidents, thankfully, none have been fatal and we request the Council to act now and not wait for fatality before addressing the issues and concerns of the residents. We urge Harrow Council to take all the points into consideration as well as the strong views and wishes of the residents since safety of all users is of paramount importance”

- 2.99 The council has a small programme for introducing waiting restrictions, generally double yellow lines for safety or access reasons called the Local Safety Parking Schemes (LSPS) programme. The demand for new or changed restrictions far exceeds the resources available to introduce them due to the lengthy and expensive legal process required before the physical change. We therefore have developed assessment criteria in order to select the worst locations for processing.
- 2.100 The request has been assessed under the LSPS programme however the assessment score was insufficient to prioritise this location. Priority is generally given to locations on main roads where speeds, traffic and pedestrian flows and accidents are more frequent.
- 2.101 We have therefore been unable to prioritise Kenton Park Avenue for processing of the required traffic orders to introduce waiting restrictions. The location will however be held on our database so it can be considered as part of any scheme works nearby.
- 2.102 All petitions have been acknowledged with the lead petitioner and will be updated following the issue of minutes of this panel meeting

Section 3 – Further Information

- 3.1. The purpose of this report is to inform the Panel about any new petitions received since the last meeting. No updates on the progress

made with previous petitions will be reported at future meetings as officers will liaise with the Chair of TARSAP and the Portfolio Holder directly regarding any updates.

Section 4 – Financial Implications

- 4.1. There are no direct financial implications. Any suggested measures in the report that require further investigation would be taken forward using existing resources and funding.

Section 5 - Equalities implications

- 5.1 Was an Equality Impact Assessment carried out? No.
- 5.2 The petitions raise issues about existing schemes in the traffic and transportation works programme as well as new areas for investigation. The officer's response indicates a suggested way forward in each case. An equality impact assessment (EqIA) will be carried out in accordance with the revised guidance issued in January 2014 if members subsequently decide that officers should develop detailed schemes or proposals to address any of the concerns raised in the petitions.

Section 6 – Corporate Priorities

- 6.1. Any suggested measures in the report accord with our corporate priorities: cleaner, safer, fairer.

Section 7 - Statutory Officer Clearance

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Section 8 - Contact Details and Background Papers

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