

ANGEL LANE, HAYES - PETITION REQUESTING THE INTRODUCTION OF TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES

Cabinet Member(s)	Councillor Keith Burrows
Cabinet Portfolio(s)	Cabinet Member for Planning and Transportation
Officer Contact(s)	Steven Austin, Residents Services
Papers with report	Appendix A

HEADLINES

Summary	To inform the Cabinet Member that a petition has been organised by a Botwell Ward Councillor and signed by residents of Angel Lane, Hayes requesting the introduction of traffic calming measures.
Putting our Residents First	This report supports the Council objective of Our People. The request can be considered as part of the Council's annual programme of road safety initiatives and for on-street parking controls.
Financial Cost	Subject to the outcome of discussions with petitioners, the Cabinet Member may be minded to commission speed and traffic surveys. The current cost of these is in the region of £85 per location.
Relevant Policy Overview Committee	Residents, Education and Environmental Services
Relevant Ward(s)	Botwell

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Cabinet Member for Planning and Transportation:

1. meets with petitioners and listens to their road safety concerns and suggestions for traffic calming measures;
2. notes the results of the previous 24/7 speed and traffic surveys undertaken in Angel Lane in October 2016; and
3. subject to the outcome of the above, considers asking officers to undertake traffic surveys, at locations agreed by the petitioners and local Ward Councillors and then to report back to the Cabinet Member.

Reasons for recommendations

The Petition Hearing will provide a valuable opportunity to hear directly from the petitioners of their concerns and suggestions.

Alternative options considered / risk management

None at this stage.

Policy Overview Committee comments

None at this stage.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

1. A petition organised by a Botwell Ward Councillor and signed by 57 residents of Angel Lane has been submitted under the following heading:

"Angel Lane (Botwell Ward) Residents ask for traffic calming measures to be installed on the road e.g. Speed Bumps."

2. Angel Lane is a mainly residential road comprising a mixture of terraced, semi-detached properties and a residential care home. At the northern end of Angel Lane there is the Angel Public House and local businesses located on Uxbridge Road. Angel Lane is a one-way road with traffic having to travel southbound from the Uxbridge Road to the Mogan's Lane/ Wood End Green roundabout. Angel Lane is subject to a 7.5 tonnes maximum gross weight limit supported by a Traffic Management Order dating from 1991. A plan of the area is attached as Appendix A.

3. The Cabinet Member will recall that in October 2016, he agreed for officers to commission independent 24/7 speed and traffic surveys in Angel Lane. The nature of the surveys, using pneumatic tubes laid across the full width of the carriageway, is that they record traffic movements all day and night every day for a week.

4. The data which they capture provides a detailed 'diary' providing information on each and every vehicle including its type, category, direction and speed of travel. This is analysed to see if there is any discernible pattern of driver behaviour e.g. speeding at a particular time of the day or day in the week, and sometimes this can be passed to colleagues in the Metropolitan Police, who can give consideration to some targeted enforcement to try to catch any regular perpetrators.

5. The data captured in October 2016 showed that the majority of vehicles were travelling below the speed limit. The important statistic, used by traffic engineers and practitioners everywhere is known as the 85th percentile speed and this means the 'speed at or below 85% of the surveyed traffic is travelling'. In Angel Lane the 85th percentile was recorded at 28mph.

6. However, in view of the concerns raised by residents in the petition, the Cabinet Member may be minded to instruct officers to commission further independent 24/7 speed and traffic surveys on Angel Lane at a location or locations agreed with petitioners and Ward Councillors.

Financial Implications

If the Cabinet Member is minded to agree to undertake further independent speed and traffic surveys, the cost is usually in the region of £80 to £85 per location, which is expected to be managed through existing revenue budgets. If works are subsequently required, funding would need to be identified from a suitable source.

RESIDENT BENEFIT & CONSULTATION

The benefit or impact upon Hillingdon residents, service users and communities

To allow the Cabinet Member to consider the petitioners' request.

Consultation carried out or required

None at this stage.

CORPORATE CONSIDERATIONS

Corporate Finance

Corporate Finance has reviewed the recommendations to this report and concurs with the financial implications as set out above.

Legal

The Borough Solicitor confirms that there are no specific legal implications arising from this report.

Infrastructure / Asset Management

None at this stage.

Comments from other relevant service areas

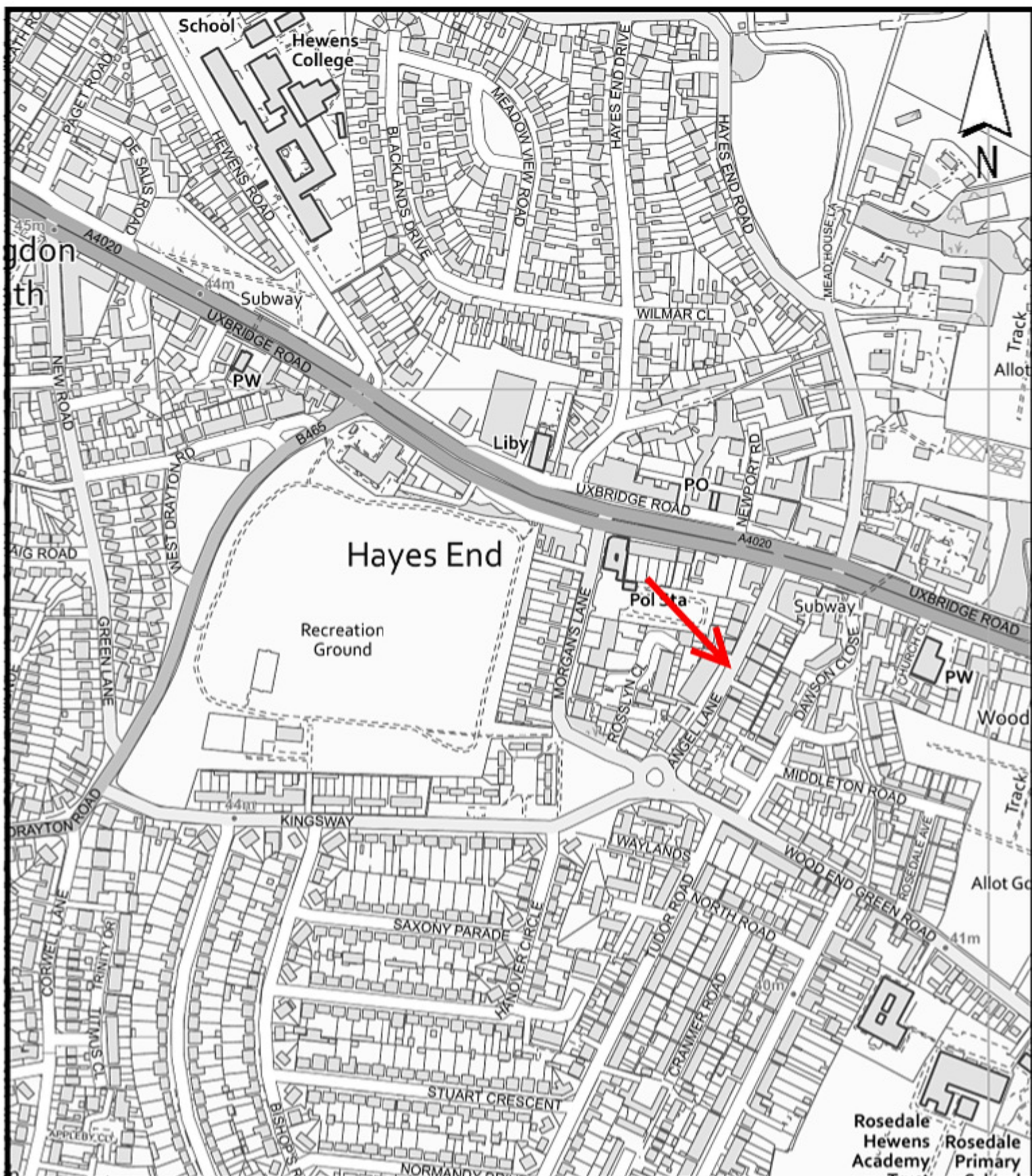
None at this stage.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

Petition received.

TITLE OF ANY APPENDICES

Appendix A - Location plan



Angel Lane, Hayes Location plan

Appendix A

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