CORONATION ROAD, HAYES – PETITION REQUESTING TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES

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Cabinet Portfolio	Planning, Transportation and Recycling
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Papers with report	Appendix A
HEADLINE INFORMATION	
Purpose of report	To inform the Cabinet Member that a petition has been received
• •	from local residents requesting speed humps in Coronation Road,
	Hayes
Contribution to our	The request can be considered as part of the Council's strategy for
plans and strategies	road safety
plans and strategies	
Financial Cost	There are no financial implications to this report
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Relevant Policy	Residents' & Environmental Services
Overview Committee	
Ward(s) affected	Pinkwell Ward
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RECOMMENDATION

That the Cabinet Member:

1. Meets with the petitioners to discuss in greater detail their concerns with speeding traffic on Coronation Road

2. Subject to (1) asks officers to place this request on the Council's Road Safety Programme for subsequent investigation and the development of possible options

3. Subject to (1) instructs officers to liaise with the Police and local Safer Neighbourhoods teams to investigate and if appropriate undertake some local enforcement

4. Subject to (1) instructs officers to investigate the feasibility of adding Coronation Road to future Phases of the Vehicle Activated Signs (VAS) Programme

INFORMATION

Reasons for recommendation

The petition hearing will provide an extremely valuable opportunity to hear directly from the petitioners of their concerns and suggestions.

Alternative options considered / risk management

These can be discussed in greater detail with petitioners

Comments of Policy Overview Committee(s)

None at this stage

Supporting Information

1. A petition with 29 signatures from local residents concerning speeding issues in Coronation Road has been submitted to the Council under the following heading *"Please see attached names and signatures of Coronation Road residents who are all petitioners that road humps should be built to protect people and pets from speeding drivers."*

2. Coronation Road is a residential road with off-street parking and a formal footway parking scheme. Cranford Park Primary School is located on Phelps Way which is a side road of Coronation Road, as shown in the location plan attached as Appendix A. There is an existing road narrowing on Coronation Road approximately 70 metres southeast of its junction with Phelps Way. North-westbound and south-eastbound 'Hail & Ride' bus stops serving Route Number E6 are located on Coronation Road.

3. The petition includes a completed road safety programme suggestion form and a covering letter which raises concerns with vehicles using Roseville Road, Coronation Road and Crowland Avenue as a short cut during peak hours to avoid traffic queues on the A312. The petition organiser states that residents have lost pets due to buses and cars travelling too fast. The letter also raises concerns regarding the safety of children and parents who use Coronation Road when travelling to and from Cranford Park Primary School.

4. Analysis of the police reported personal injury accident data records for the three year period ending March 2011 shows that there has been one accident on Coronation Road involving a passenger falling over on a bus travelling northwest bound. There was also an accident at the junction of Carfax Road and Coronation Road involving a vehicle turning right out of Carfax Road which collided with a vehicle travelling southeast bound on Coronation Road.

5. Although the Council does not install traditional round-topped road humps as would appear to have been requested, it is suggested that the Cabinet Member meets with the petitioners to discuss in greater detail their concerns with speeding traffic and endeavour to determine options that officers could investigate in detail as part of the Road Safety Programme that may then have the support of residents, the emergency services and bus operators.

6. The Cabinet Member will also be aware that officers often liaise with the Safer Neighbourhood Teams (Metropolitan Police Service) where concerns over speeding vehicles have been raised. It is therefore suggested that input be sought from the Safer Neighbourhood Team responsible for the Pinkwell Ward to seek their input on possible options.

Financial Implications

There are none associated with the recommendations to this report. The investigation of feasible measures can be carried out with in-house resources. However, if measures are introduced in Coronation Road, a budget will need to be identified.

EFFECT ON RESIDENTS, SERVICE USERS & COMMUNITIES

What will be the effect of the recommendation?

It will allow further consideration of the petitioners' concerns.

Consultation Carried Out or Required

Consultation with local residents would be carried out if suitable measures could be identified to address the petitioners' concerns.

Legal

At this stage there no are no special legal implications arising from the recommendations contained in this report.

Should there be a decision that further measures are to be considered then the relevant statutory provisions will have to be identified and considered.

In considering the discussions with the petitioners, decision makers must ensure there is a full consideration of all representations arising including those which do not accord with the officer recommendation. The decision maker must be satisfied that responses from the public are conscientiously taken into account.

In all cases the decision maker should bear in mind Section 122 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 which means that the Council as traffic authority has a statutory duty to secure the expeditious, convenient and safe movement of vehicular and other traffic.

If a decision is made at a later stage to consider the installation of VAS programme as per recommendation (4) above, regard should be had to the statutory provisions for both consultation and installation as well as Regulation 58 of the Traffic Signs Regulations & General Directions 2002 (TSRGD) which prescribes signage that may be used as VAS. Signs must be installed in accordance with the TSRGD and regard should be had to the associated Traffic Guidance Manual and Department for Transport Traffic Advisory Leaflet 1/03 'Vehicle Activated Signs'.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

Petition requesting traffic calming measures on Coronation Road, received 6th April 2011.

Cabinet Member meeting with Petitioners – 25 January 2012

