

<b>TITLE: LANSBURY DRIVE, HAYES – PETITION OBJECTING TO FOOTWAY BOLLARDS OUTSIDE NO. 46</b>	
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<b>Cabinet Portfolio</b>	Planning and Transportation
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<b>Papers with report</b>	Appendix A
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## HEADLINE INFORMATION

<b>Purpose of report</b>	To advise the Cabinet Member the submission of a petition with over 100 signatures has been received from residents of Lansbury Drive objecting to the installation of bollards on the footway outside No. 46 Lansbury Drive.
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<b>Contribution to our plans and strategies</b>	The request will be considered in relation to the Council's strategy for road safety.
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<b>Financial Cost</b>	There are none associated with the recommendations to this report.
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<b>Relevant Policy Overview Committee</b>	Residents' and Environmental Services
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<b>Ward(s) affected</b>	Barnhill
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## RECOMMENDATION

**That the Cabinet Member**

- 1. Listens and discusses the petitioner's concerns**
- 2. Recommends the petition organiser contacts the Council's Highways Department to discuss the installation of an authorised footway crossover to No. 46 Lansbury Drive**

## INFORMATION

### Reasons for recommendation

The owner of No. 46 Lansbury Drive wants to park vehicles on the frontage of the property and this will require a properly footway crossing constructed by the Council.

## Alternative options considered

None as the petitioners are making a specific request to remove existing bollards from the footway outside No. 46 Lansbury Drive.

## Comments of Policy Overview Committee(s)

None at this stage

## Supporting Information

1. A petition with 111 signatures has been submitted to the Council under the following terms.  
  
*“We the undersigned residents of the London Borough of Hillingdon call upon the relevant Cabinet Member to remove the bollards outside No. 46 Lansbury Drive, Hayes, Middlesex UB4 0LZ as they unfairly infringe the right of the occupier of the aforementioned property to park their vehicles on their driveway. All other properties on Lansbury Drive enjoy the right to park vehicles in their respective drives and this right should be extended to the occupier of 46 Lansbury Drive, Hayes, Middlesex UB4 0LZ”.*
2. It has been signed by residents of Lansbury Drive and in a covering letter with the petition, the organiser, who is the owner of No. 46, points out he is objecting on the grounds that bollards placed directly in front of the “driveway” to the property is preventing its use. The owner contends the bollards have prevented him from the proper access and reasonable use of his driveway.
3. No. 46 Lansbury Drive is situated on the east side of Lansbury Drive almost opposite the junction with the northern arm of Woodstock Gardens. The location is indicated on Appendix A and at this location the Council installed a pedestrian refuge in order to assist pedestrians to cross the road. As is normal with the introduction of pedestrian refuges, the kerb is dropped either side to assist prams and wheelchairs together with tactile paving for the benefit of the partially sighted. Consequently, these have formed part of the scheme at this location and bollards have been installed on the footway to both highlight the crossing point and prevent obstruction to the dropped kerb and tactile paving.
4. The owner of No. 46 contends the dropped kerb is there to access parking on the front of his property. Unfortunately, there seems to be some confusion as the dropped kerb has solely been installed for the benefit of pedestrians. Where residents want to park on the frontage of their property, the Council at the applicant’s expense can install a properly constructed footway crossover built to the required standards provided the location meets the necessary criteria. These mainly relate to road safety aspects and there is adequate distance between the house frontage and the back of the footway to accommodate a vehicle. A crossover has not been installed at No. 46 Lansbury Drive. Consequently, it is illegal for vehicles to be driven over the footway to park on the property of No. 46.
5. Residents can apply to the Council to install a footway crossover and these are arranged by the Highways Maintenance Section. It is suggested the Cabinet Member discusses with petitioners the concerns and points out the Council’s criteria with regard to the

passage of vehicles over footways and recommends the petition organiser contacts the Highways Department to discuss the installation of an authorised crossover.

### **Financial Implications**

There are none associated with the recommendations to this report.

### **EFFECT ON RESIDENTS, SERVICE USERS & COMMUNITIES**

#### **What will be the effect of the recommendation?**

To point out to the petition organiser the Council's policy with regard to the passage of vehicles across footways to access off-street parking and to explain to the petition organiser the procedures for the installation of crossovers.

#### **Consultation Carried Out or Required**

None has been required to consider this petition request.

### **CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS**

#### **Corporate Finance**

N/A

#### **Legal**

Legal Services confirm that only the Local Highway Authority is permitted to carry out works in the public highway.

### **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

Petition received 12<sup>th</sup> August 2009