

READING BOROUGH COUNCIL

REPORT BY DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENT AND NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES

TO:	TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT SUB-COMMITTEE		
DATE:	17 th JUNE 2015	AGENDA ITEM:	5
TITLE:	PETITION FOR A 20mph ZONE IN BRIANTS AVENUE AND SURROUNDING ROADS		
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1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1 To report to the Sub-Committee the receipt of a petition asking the Council to improve road safety by implementing a 20mph zone in Briants Avenue and surrounding roads.

2. RECOMMENDED ACTION

- 2.1 That the Sub-Committee notes the report.
- 2.2 That the issue is investigated and a future report be submitted to the Sub-Committee for consideration.
- 2.3 That the lead petitioner be informed accordingly.

3. POLICY CONTEXT

- 3.1 The provision of road safety and associated criteria is specified within existing Traffic Management Policies and Standards.

4. THE PROPOSAL

- 4.1 A petition has been received asking the Council to introduce a 20mph zone in Briants Avenue and surrounding roads.

The petition reads - *"We the undersigned request that Reading Borough Council improve road safety on our streets by implementing a 20mph zone in Briants Avenue and surrounding roads including, Nelson Road, Montague Street, Marscak Street, St John's Road, South View Avenue, Washington Road and Ardler Road"*.

- 4.2 The issues raised within this petition are to be fully investigated and a future report is to be submitted to the Sub-Committee for consideration.

5. CONTRIBUTION TO STRATEGIC AIMS

- 5.1 To promote equality, social inclusion and a safe and healthy environment for all.

6. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND INFORMATION

- 6.1 The lead petitioner will be informed of the findings of the Sub-Committee.

7. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 None arising from this report.

8. EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

- 8.1 In addition to the Human Rights Act 1998 the Council is required to comply with the Equalities Act 2010. Section 149 of the Equalities Act 2010 requires the Council to have due regard to the need to:-

- eliminate discrimination, harassment, victimisation and any other conduct that is prohibited by or under this Act;
- advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it;
- foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it.

8.2 The Council will carry out an equality impact assessment scoping exercise prior to submitting the update report to a future meeting of the Sub-Committee.

9. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

9.1 None arising from this report.

10. BACKGROUND PAPERS

10.1 None.