

Cabinet Petitions Committee

**14th May, 2018 at 5.00pm
at the Sandwell Council House, Oldbury**

Present: Councillors D Hosell (Chair), Carmichael and Costigan.

Observers: Councillors S Crumpton, Dr T Crumpton, L Giles, Hackett, P M Hughes and P Hughes.

8/18 **Minutes**

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 22nd March, 2018 be confirmed as a correct record.

9/18 **Progress Report**

Details were submitted of petitions received and of the action taken or proposed in each case, as detailed in the Appendix.

Resolved that the action taken or proposed, as detailed in the second column of the Appendix, be approved.

(Meeting ended at 5.52pm)

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Appendix

Petition Received From	Action Taken/Proposed
1. Residents in the vicinity of Middlemore Road, Smethwick, requesting CCTV.	This matter was being investigated by officers and would be reported back to the Cabinet Petitions Committee at a future meeting.
2. Residents in the vicinity of Ridding Lane, Wednesbury, requesting the introduction of a residents parking scheme.	This matter was being investigated by officers and would be reported back to the Cabinet Petitions Committee at a future meeting.
3. Residents in the vicinity of Ridding Lane, Wednesbury, requesting CCTV, an increase in neighbourhood police, traffic calming and consideration as to the future use of the car park.	This matter was being investigated by officers and would be reported back to the Cabinet Petitions Committee at a future meeting.
4. Tenants of Manifoldia Grange, West Bromwich, requesting redecoration of hallways and communal area.	This matter was being investigated by officers and would be reported back to the Cabinet Petitions Committee at a future meeting.
5. Residents in the vicinity of Castle Road East, Oldbury, requesting signal-controlled pedestrian crossing at the junction of Castle Road East, Castle Road West and Wolverhampton Road, Oldbury.	This matter was being investigated by officers and would be reported back to the Cabinet Petitions Committee at a future meeting.
6. Residents in the vicinity of Newhall Street regarding the dumping, storing and parking of vehicles in Mount Pleasant Street and Pleasant Street, West Bromwich.	This matter was being investigated by officers and would be reported back to the Cabinet Petitions Committee at a future meeting.
7. Residents in the vicinity of Joseph Turner Primary School requesting a car park in the vicinity of Joseph Turner Primary School, Tipton due to increase in traffic.	This matter was being investigated by officers and would be reported back to the Cabinet Petitions Committee at a future meeting.

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8. Residents in the vicinity of Andrew Road requesting action against Wednesbury Oak Academy to maintain the school grounds that backed onto Andrew Road, Tipton.	This matter was being investigated by officers and would be reported back to the Cabinet Petitions Committee at a future meeting.
9. Residents of the Broadway requesting the gating off of The Wallface, Hill Top.	The Chair requested that a site meeting be arranged with the head petitioner and lead officer, involving himself, Councillor Hackett, Councillor Costigan and the three local ward members. An update would be provided to a future meeting of the Cabinet Petitions Committee.
10. Residents of The Pavillions, West Bromwich regarding concerns in relation to crime at The Pavillions and a request for the Council to look at the right of way and to liaise with the Police.	A domehawk camera had been installed by the Police. An update with regard to the right of way would be reported back to the Cabinet Petitions Committee at a future meeting.
11. Residents/patrons regarding parking problems in Hartlebury Road, Oldbury.	This matter was being investigated by officers and would be reported back to the Cabinet Petitions Committee at a future meeting.
12. Residents in the vicinity of Tantany estate regarding anti – social behaviour on the Tantany Estate, West Bromwich.	This matter was being investigated by officers and would be reported back to the Cabinet Petitions Committee at a future meeting.
13. Residents in the vicinity of Bearwood Road requesting a bus service along Bearwood Road leading to Bearwood Shopping Centre.	Transport for West Midlands had advised that they were unable to justify the use of public funds to subsidise an additional direct bus service for residents along Bearwood Road as the connecting service 82 remained within access standards. Bus service 82 offered a frequent timetable providing a link between Bearwood and Cape Hill.

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	The Chair requested that the matter be referred to the Council's Transport Lead Member and an update be provided to a future meeting of the Cabinet Petitions Committee.
14. Residents in the vicinity of White Road requesting the change of direction of the one – way system in White Road, Smethwick.	The direction of the one-way scheme was proposed in a south easterly direction because the two adjacent roads, Bowden Road and St. Albans Road had existing one way schemes already operating in the opposite direction (north westerly direction). If consideration was given to changing the direction of the proposed one-way scheme for White Road then the existing Traffic Regulation Orders on adjacent roads would need to be changed to accommodate vehicles travelling from the High Street. There were currently no plans to change the direction of the one-way proposal.
15. Residents in the vicinity of Albert Street requesting off street parking charges be revoked and the introduction of parking restrictions to restrict parking of HGVs on Albert Street, Wednesbury.	The local ward member indicated that the petition appeared to have been misinterpreted by officers as the response referred to the charges on the car park. However, the petition related to parking charges at the rear of properties. The Chair referred the petition back to officers for investigation. A response would be submitted to a future meeting of the Cabinet Petitions Committee.

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<p>16. Residents of Stella Road, Tipton requesting parking restrictions.</p>	<p>Discussions had been held with the head petitioner who advised that some of the parking problems were being created by residents who would not use the existing car park. The reason given for not using the car park was that vehicles were getting broken into and/or vandalised and people were using the nearby alley way/footpath as an escape route. Officers had arranged for the footpath to be gated to prevent access into Stella Road. The new gate had been ordered and would be installed as soon as possible. Once this work had been completed it was considered that the car park would be used by residents which would alleviate some of the on-street parking problems. In addition to this the head petitioner had stated that the van creating some of the obstruction problems was no longer parking at this location.</p>
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