

REGULATORY COMMITTEE

11th SEPTEMBER 2002

PETITIONS

Purpose of Report

1. To consider and decide action on petitions received.

Details of Petitions

2. The following petitions have been received since the last meeting of the Committee:-
 - (i) Chippenham: Hungerdown Lane - Weight Limit
 - (ii) Chippenham: Audley Road Area - Traffic Survey
 - (iii) Trowbridge: Longfield Estate - Traffic Calming Measures
3. Details of the petitions, officer comments and recommendations are set out in **Appendices 1, 2 and 3** of this report.
4. The petitions and any supporting correspondence will be available for inspection in the **Members' Room** or from the Director of Corporate Services prior to the meeting.

Recommendation

5. The Committee is asked to consider the petitions, along with officer comments, and any address made to Members by the petitioners at the meeting, and approve the recommendation.

RICHARD J. LANDER

Director of Environmental Services

The following unpublished documents have been relied on in the preparation of this Report:

Petition and related correspondence

Environmental impact of the Recommendation contained in this Report:

None

Organiser: Forwarded by Chippenham Town Council

Petition for	Number of Signatures	Parish Or Town	Comments From Supporting Letters	Existing Speed Limit	Injury Accidents In 3 years	Observations	Recommendation
Lorry weight limit for Hungerdown Lane "We the undersigned, being residents of Chippenham, urge Wiltshire County Council to impose a weight limit on lorries using Hungerdown Lane at the earliest opportunity."	233	Chippenham	None	30 mph	None involving HGVs	<p>Since the opening of the Chippenham Western Bypass traffic flows on Hungerdown Lane have reduced significantly from in excess of 20,000 to less than 10,000 vehicles per day. Lorry traffic has reduced by approximately 80%.</p> <p>The introduction of a weight limit requires the making of a Traffic Regulation Order.</p> <p>Requests for Traffic Orders are considered by the Committee each Spring in the Annual Traffic Regulation Order Review, when the Orders to be progressed are agreed in accordance with the funding available.</p>	<p>That:-</p> <p>(i) The request for a weight limit on Hungerdown Lane, Chippenham, be included in the 2003 Annual Traffic Regulation Order Review.</p> <p>(ii) The petitioners be advised accordingly.</p>

Organiser: Mr. J.A. Phillips, 39 Sheldon Road, Chippenham

Petition for	Number of Signatures	Parish Or Town	Comments From Supporting Letters	Existing Speed Limit	Injury Accidents In 3 years	Observations	Recommendation
<p>"We, the undersigned, call upon Wiltshire County Council, together where applicable with North Wiltshire District Council and Chippenham Town Council, to carry out urgently a traffic calming survey throughout the Audley Area, Chippenham.</p> <p>The "area" being that bounded by Audley Road, Sheldon Road, Woodlands Road, Marshfield Road and Spanbourne Avenue.</p> <p>The survey should examine in particular:</p> <p>(a) Traffic speed and congestion, with the object of introducing calming measures.</p> <p>(b) Pedestrian safety, with the purpose of providing at least two pedestrian crossings in Audley Road and one in Sheldon Road for the benefit of schoolchildren and elderly citizens.</p> <p>This petition is accompanied by a detailed map of the area and a full explanation of the reasons behind it."</p>	460	Chippenham	<p>Signatures represent nearly 70% of the properties in the area, whilst at least 90% of the residents who were at home signed.</p> <p>A report explaining the reasons for the petition has been submitted and is available for inspection in the Members' Room.</p>	30 mph	5 within specified area	<p>The schemes to be progressed in Chippenham, utilising the funding allocated from the Local Transport Plan Integrated Transport block, are agreed by the Town Council's Chippenham Town Planning Steering Group meeting.</p> <p>The Group includes representation from the District and County Councils.</p> <p>At the Steering Group meeting in January 2002 the area between the A420 and the A4 and from the railway line westwards to the existing Town Council boundary was identified as a priority. This includes the area the subject of the petition.</p> <p>A survey, as requested, can be undertaken shortly, funded from the Local Transport Plan allocation for Chippenham.</p> <p>The results of the survey will be reported to the Steering Group at a meeting to be arranged for early 2003.</p>	<p>That:-</p> <p>(i) A survey be undertaken in the Audley Road area of Chippenham to establish the justification for traffic calming.</p> <p>(ii) The results of the survey be reported to the Chippenham Town Planning Steering Group for consideration, early 2003.</p> <p>(iii) The petitioners to be advised accordingly.</p>

Organiser: Mrs. C. Purnell, 19 Sheepcote Barton, Trowbridge

Petition for	Number of Signatures	Parish Or Town	Comments From Supporting Letters	Existing Speed Limit	Injury Accidents In 3 years	Observations	Recommendation
"We the undersigned residents wish to petition for traffic calming on the Longfield Estate."	152	Trowbridge	<p>Most residents have grave concerns for the safety of the children who live on or near Weavers Drive and Broadcloth Lane.</p> <p>The estate is expanding and the main worry is the lack of road calming.</p> <p>The roads are busy with the school traffic and community centre functions.</p>	30 mph	1 hit and run	<p>The schemes to be progressed in Trowbridge, funded from the Local Transport Plan Integrated Transport block, are agreed by the Local Transport Plan Working Group set up for the town.</p> <p>The Group has representation from the Town, District and County Councils and other interested organisations.</p> <p>It would be appropriate to refer this request to the Working Group as a potential candidate for future funding from the LTP Integrated Transport allocation and ask the Group for its consideration of the priority compared with other requests in the town.</p>	<p>That:-</p> <p>(i) The request for traffic calming in the Longfield Estate Trowbridge be referred to the Local Transport Plan Working Group as a potential scheme for funding from the future Integrated Transport allocation.</p> <p>(ii) The petitioners be advised accordingly.</p>