

SCC LOCAL COMMITTEE IN SPELTHORNE

KENYNGTON DRIVE, SUNBURY PETITION

16 JUNE 2006

KEY ISSUE AND SUMMARY:

The petition requests that off-street parking is provided along Kenyngton Drive, Sunbury in order to alleviate the current congestion problem.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS

The committee is asked to agree that:

- (i) the petition is noted; and
- (ii) no action is taken at this time

1 INTRODUCTION and BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The petition is signed by 44 residents of Kenyngton Drive, Sunbury and calls for the existing grass areas to be converted to parking bays in order to improve parking conditions.
- 1.2 The majority of the grass areas are owned and maintained by the Highway Authority whilst others are owned by the Housing Association.

2 ANALYSIS and COMMENTARY

- 2.1 Due to the small frontages of properties within Kenyngton Drive, the majority of them cannot be converted to driveways. This has resulted in the majority of vehicles being parked on the carriageway.
- 2.2 A number of on-street parking bays were installed by Spelthorne Borough Council in the early 1990's, which would have followed priorities that have since been superseded by the Local Transportation Plan.
- 2.3 The congestion along Kenyngton Drive is due to the increase in the number of cars per household. This increase is a result of decisions made by household members over which the County Council has no control.
- 2.4 The LTP would be the only means of funding the proposal in Kenyngton Drive but it is not county policy to encourage the use of motor vehicles by providing parking places, especially in residential areas. Hence the proposal would not attract funding. Installing parking bays within Kenyngton Drive would mean removing the existing grass areas, which are very well maintained.

3 CONSULTATIONS

3.1 The resident who wrote the covering letter did not provide their name or contact details so the outcome of the Committee meeting cannot be reported back to them. However, the Committee report and minutes of the meeting will be available on the Surrey website.

4 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

4.1 There are no implications.

5 SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT IMPLICATIONS

5.1 There are no implications.

6 CRIME & DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

6.1 There are no implications.

7 EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

7.1 There are no implications.

8 CONCLUSION AND REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

8.1 The grassed areas in Kenyngton Drive should not be converted to provide parking as the proposal does not meet the objectives of the LTP.

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BACKGROUND PAPERS:	Petition dated 06 April 2006 signed by residents of Kenyngton Drive, Sunbury.