

SCC LOCAL COMMITTEE IN SPELTHORNE

BELGRAVE ROAD, SUNBURY PETITION – REQUEST FOR ON-STREET PARKING

15 AUGUST 2006

KEY ISSUE AND SUMMARY:

The petition requests that on-street parking is provided along Belgrave Road, 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 18 residents of Belgrave Road, Sunbury, and calls for the existing grass areas to be converted to parking bays in order to improve parking conditions.
- 1.2 The grass areas are owned and maintained by the Highway Authority.

2 ANALYSIS and COMMENTARY

- 2.1 Due to small frontages and large grass areas in front of the properties within Belgrave Road, 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Borough Council in the early 1990's, in surrounding roads, which would have followed priorities that have since been superseded by the Local Transportation Plan.
- 2.3 The congestion along Belgrave Road is due to the increase in the number of cars per household. Also a new race timetable for nearby Kempton Park Racetrack has resulted in an increase in vehicles parking in Belgrave Road, despite the increased number of parking spaces made available at Kempton Park.
- 2.4 The LTP would be the only means of funding the proposal in Belgrave Road 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 Belgrave Road would mean removing the existing grass areas, which are very well maintained.

3 CONSULTATIONS

3.1 The applicant of the petition will be contacted with the outcome of the Committee's decision. The Committee report and minutes of the meeting will also 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 Belgrave Road 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 08 June 2006 signed by

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