

CABINET MEMBER RESPONSE TO ENVIRONMENT & TRANSPORT SELECT COMMITTEE**PETITION – ADOPTION OF FORTY FOOT ROAD****Select Committee Recommendations**

- a. That the issues raised by the petition be referred to the Cabinet Member for Transport, Highways and Environment.
- b. That the Environment and Transport Select Committee receive an update regarding the outcome of an officer assessment of potential repairs for Fortyfoot Road at a future meeting.

Response

I would like to thank the Environment and Transport Select Committee for forwarding this petition to me. In response to the concerns of the local residents, I asked officers to bring forward a report, including an assessment of potential repairs to Forty Foot Road, to my decision making meeting on 9 October 2013. I would like to thank the Chairman, Mr David Harmer, for his cooperation in enabling a full report and recommendations to be considered at that meeting so that the issue could be resolved positively.

In recognition of the exceptional circumstances presented by the almost exclusive use of a section of this road by a high number of community and public services and the receipt of financial contributions from other stakeholders to facilitate the works, I agreed at the meeting that:

- highway reconstruction and drainage works would be carried out in Forty Foot Road (as set out in the report to the meeting and attached as Annex 1 to this response) using the identified funding
- Surrey County Council would adopt the main section of Forty Foot Road serving the public services located on the road following the completion of the above highway works to ensure the road meets the required adoptable standard.

These actions will improve this section of road, ensure its long term maintenance and thereby help the schoolchildren and vulnerable people in Surrey's care who use the road regularly.

Officers anticipate that the works will be carried out by February 2014 at the latest. I have asked that discussions be held with the local school to see if an earlier programme of works can be scheduled without disruption to the school term.

Mr John Furey
Cabinet Member for Transport, Highways and the Environment
9 October 2013

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