

Item 8 : Petitions Update Report – 30 November 2016

Petition No.	Description	Presented by (and date)	Portfolio Holder	Status Full copies of the responses may be obtained from Democratic Services
478	Petition on behalf of residents of Lansbury Gardens, Tilbury on the increased concerned for the safety of the complex	29/06/2016	Cllr Gledhill	<p>Officers are currently assessing the request for installing gates as well as other means to improve the security and safety of residents at this complex. Other sheltered blocks have made similar request and so all of these will need to be looked at in terms of priority and available resources.</p> <p>Update: The four pedestrian gates now have key pads so that only residents, family and carers can access. The two main vehicle gates are due to be fitted with a lock and gates will be locked at night by tenant as agreed. Every flat will be provided with a key and the emergency services can all access the lock with a drop key. It is hoped that these will be fitted this week. We will pilot this for 6 months.</p> <p>Update 14/11/2016: All locks have been fitted and tenants issued with keys. This will be piloted for 6 months at which time we will consult back with tenants.</p>
479	Resolve the problems it has with the owners of “Nisa” and “Ockendon Pound Store” and allow them to continue trading thereby providing a much needed and highly value facility for the	29/06/2016	Cllr Tolson	There has been communication between a number of people (within and external to the Council) regarding matters relating to the occupation of 11, 13 and 15 Derwent Parade for a number of years. Matthew Essex, Legal

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	<p>residents of South Ockendon</p>		<p>and Corporate Property have provided a number of replies to enquiries regarding the action being taken under the leases.</p> <p>The Council is very much aware of the value placed on the service provided through the NISA store by local people within the South Ockendon area and remains in direct discussion with the tenant and their nominated representatives with a view to reaching an amicable agreement.</p> <p>The Council and other agencies have registered a range of concerns with the tenant in respect of changes that they have made to the property and these lie at the heart of the action being taken. The Council is coordinating its action with those other agencies and is working with the tenant to support their efforts to remedy the issues identified and has recently granted an extension of time to allow the tenant further opportunities to do so.</p> <p>We are hopeful that the tenant will ultimately be able to address these issues. However, in the event that they cannot and the Council is forced to seek the return of the property it will clearly be a priority to secure an alternative operator who can continue to provide this much needed service to local people.</p>
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480	There is insufficient parking for local residents living in Limeslade Close. We request the Council build more parking so that residents are able to park their cars in the road that they live. The two ideas we would like to see is the grass at the end of the Cul de sac on the right turned into parking	27/07/2016	Cllr B Little	Officers in Housing are currently investigating the feasibility of the proposal, obtain quotes for the work, carry out a full consultation with the residents and then if necessary add the request to the list.
481	There is insufficient parking for local residents living in Plashet Close and along Southend Road between numbers 94-116. There is parking outside their properties but this is regularly used by people that are not local to the area meaning that residents cannot park their cars. We request the Council install a parking permit scheme for the parking spaces outside of these properties which would mean that local residents could guarantee that there is space for them to park their vehicles.	27/07/2016	Cllr B Little	<p>This request will be included in the Stanford Le Hope Controlled Parking Zone (CPZ) review for inclusion into next year's Highways Capital Programme.</p> <p>There is also merit in undertaking further grassed verge reinforcement to provide additional spaces and this will be added to the request list for review under next year's programme.</p>
482	We ask our Councillors, to consider what the least worst option would be in their view given the possibility of Option A, Route 14 and request officers of the Council to look at this as an option and report on its viability. An announcement from the Government will be due to follow soon, we request the Council, to be prepared and well researched into the best possible solution should be we faced with no other alternatives outside of Thurrock.	30/08/2016	Cllr B Little	<p>A response is currently being prepared by Officers. An update will be presented at the November full council.</p> <p>Update – November 2016 - The Council's position is to oppose any new crossing through Thurrock. Highways England's consultation earlier this year proposed a number of alternative routes for a crossing. We are currently awaiting a Ministerial Announcement on the next steps. If the scheme is to be taken forward, the most likely scenario is that the Minister will indicate a preferred route for detailed design. There has</p>

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				been nothing to suggest that there is a possibility that the Minister will instruct Highways England to revisit the Route Options Evaluation stage of the project (where Option A, Route 14 was ruled out).
483	This is a petition from the residents of Southend Road and Golding Crescent to Thurrock Council for Speed Cameras to be installed in Southend Road before the Golding Crescent turning following yet another serious accident on 28 July 2016. A mini roundabout or speed humps would only make the situation worse. Speed cameras would be a massive deterrent.	17/08/2016	Cllr B Little	We will be undertaking speed surveys on the length of Southend Road to obtain evidence of speeding on this route, to compare with the Personal injury Statistics. If a trend is identified, a scheme will be investigated for inclusion in next year's Capital programme.

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