Petitions Update Report

Petition No.	Description	Presented (date)	Presented (at)	Responsible Director / Assistant Director	Status
565	We the undersigned call on Thurrock Planning department to urgently re-engage with Persimmon Homes and use its enforcement powers to ensure the construction workers and residents of Stanford Meadow immediately desist from crossing the ditch between Persimmons Estate and the residents private land as a cut through access. We ask that Thurrock Council and Persimmon Homes work together to re-plan and install more robust security measures between the two estates which will reduce the loss of amenity caused by current lack of security and reduce the visibility from the new development into the above properties. Tree planting would not be a deterrent, also the cycle track/walkway has over a six-foot drop which it has never had before, and it risks injury or worse. A duty of care must be taken into account for the public using the area.	21/9/2022	Office	Leigh Nicholson	The site has been subject of an enforcement investigation; there is a planning condition which requires the site to be landscaped but this could not be done in the summer because of the extreme weather conditions. The landscaping is due to take place in the planting season between October and April. There have been incidences of people crossing the ditch and cutting through the site but the developer, Persimmon, erected fencing to stop this from happening. The issue of trespass is not a planning issue, it is a matter between the landowners. With regard to a more permanent security measure at the edge of the Persimmon site, officers have asked Persimmon whether they would consider installing a fence along the boundary; this is not a requirement of the planning permission, but it is something that Persimmon could pursue (depending upon the height of the fence it may require planning permission). To date Persimmon have not responded to this suggestion, but Officers are chasing them for a response. Cllr Hebb has been updated on this matter.