

Traffic Management Requests & Petitions

Chiltern Local Committee

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1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- a To inform members of:
 - i. the requests received for various traffic management measures, of a significant nature, during the period 23 December 2000 and 16 March 2001 and the relative priorities for investigation allocated;
 - ii. the petition received during the same period, and the action proposed or taken in response;

2. PROPOSED ACTION

- b **The Local Committee is invited to:-**
 - i. **NOTE the requests for traffic management measures received and the priorities allocated in Appendix A;**
 - ii. **NOTE the petition received, the action taken to date and/or the action proposed, and**
 - iii. **COMMENT on the priorities allocated and action proposed.**

3. RESOURCES APPRAISAL

- c There are no direct financial implications at this time.

4. SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- d The measures requested, including those contained within the petition, are listed in Appendix A. An indication of the 'priority ratings for investigation' allocated is as follows:

High (H): 0 Medium (M): 0 Low (L): 4

N.B. Priorities are not allocated to traffic calming, pedestrian crossing and footway requests at this time. These are assessed each year (normally December/January time) prior to the confirmation of the next year's Local Safety and Area Strategy Schemes Programme. Priority is given to proposed measures where clear casualty accident reduction benefits can be expected. Additional

emphasis on facilities to improve conditions for public transport, Safer Routes to School, cyclists and pedestrians to meet the Council's commitment to the Integrated Transport Strategy (ITS) and Local Transport Plan (LTP) will also be given. Schemes not having an accident reduction potential or ITS/LTP constituent are therefore unlikely to receive a high priority.

- e Members should note that all petitions received are reported but not all requests are reported. If the measures are clearly not viable or have been reported in previous "Traffic Management Requests and Petitions" reports presented to members, the correspondent is informed accordingly.
- f Generally, high priority items are further investigated to enable schemes, if appropriate, to be identified, programmed and implemented following the normal consultative and programming procedures. Where schemes do not have an injury accident potential, they are unlikely to receive a high priority for implementation. Medium priority items will be left under review and incorporated with high priority items, where possible. Low priority items will have no further action taken.
- g The petition received in this period and the decision taken/recommended are set out for members' approval below.
 - (i) High Street, Prestwood.
- h A letter containing 15 signatures has been received from residents of the High Street (A4128) requesting the introduction of traffic calming measures to control vehicle speeds along this road.
- i These residents are concerned at the high speed of traffic using this section of road, and the safety aspects associated with this type of irresponsible driver behaviour.
- j The A4128 is a principal route and provides an important link in the strategic highway network between Great Missenden and High Wycombe.
- k This section of road is subject to a 30mph speed limit, imposed by a Traffic Regulation Order as there are no street lights along the A4128 in Prestwood.
- l Requests for traffic calming are assessed at the end of each year, and therefore this particular length of road will be added to the list of sites to be considered in the Annual Traffic Calming Review.