

## Decision:

	OPTION A	OPTION B	OPTION C
<b>Options</b>	Do nothing, and leave the access as it is for emergency vehicles, with no changes.	Grant the petition, and close off the access point using S118 of the Highways Act 1980.	Close the access point using S129 Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005
<b>Pro's and Cons</b>	<p>Pro's:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ There will be no cost involved in a closure procedure.</li> <li>▪ The access will still be available for emergency vehicles.</li> <li>▪ The access will still be available to pedestrians and cyclists.</li> <li>▪ The access will still be part of the safe routes to school and work.</li> </ul> <p>Cons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The problems faced by the petitioners will continue, and could possibly escalate.</li> <li>▪ There may still be problems with unauthorised motorcycle access.</li> <li>▪ There will still be problems with anti-social behaviour.</li> <li>▪ Existing barriers will have to be removed to accommodate emergency access gates.</li> </ul>	<p>Pro's:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Petitioners will no longer have the problems they are experiencing at present with crime and antisocial behaviour.</li> <li>▪ Petitioners will no longer have problems with unauthorised motorcycle access.</li> <li>▪ Petitioners quality of life will be improved.</li> </ul> <p>Cons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ There will no longer be an emergency access point, therefore in the event of an emergency vehicles will be forced to access the estate via Huntington Road.</li> <li>▪ Pedestrians, especially school children, will have to walk around to the local shops, places of work and school, via other routes.</li> <li>▪ There is no present legislation available which would allow its closure.</li> <li>▪ The closure</li> </ul>	<p>Pro's:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Petitioners will no longer have the problems they are experiencing at present with crime and antisocial behaviour.</li> <li>• Petitioners will no longer have problems with unauthorised motorcycle access.</li> <li>• Petitioners quality of life will be improved.</li> </ul> <p>Cons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There will no longer be an emergency access point, therefore in the event of an emergency vehicles will be forced to access the estate via Huntington Road.</li> <li>• Pedestrians, especially school children, will have to walk around to the local shops, places of work and school, via other routes.</li> <li>• The closure would be contrary to the conditions in the planning consent given</li> </ul>

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<b>Officer recommendation</b>	Recommended.	Not recommended.	Not recommended.
<b>Financial Implications</b>	None.	Cost of application which would not be successful – around £2,500 for legal procedure alone; cost of physical works would be in addition to this and would depend on what method was used. Gates and fencing would be in the region of £2,000 - £3,000.	Cost of application which is not likely to be successful – around £2,500 for legal procedure alone; cost of physical works would be in addition to this and would depend on what method was used. Gates and fencing would be in the region of £2,000 - £3,000. Public inquiry could be in the region of £5,000.
<b>Legal Implications</b>	None.	No legislation exists to allow its closure under these regulations.	Council would have to decide whether action warranted a public inquiry.
<b>HR Implications</b>	None.	None.	None
<b>Other implications as appropriate</b>  <b>Eg: Crime Equalities Sustainability etc</b>	Already covered, crime and anti-social behaviour may be reduced.	None.	None
<b>Consultation</b>	Emergency Services. CYC TPU Dept. CYC Alleygating Officer.	Emergency Services. CYC TPU Dept. CYC Alleygating Officer.	Emergency Services. CYC TPU Dept. CYC Alleygating Officer.
<b>Recommendation</b>			