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**Meeting of Executive Members for  
City Strategy and Advisory Panel**

**6 June 2007**

Report of the Director of City Strategy

**PETITION FROM THE RESIDENTS OF HORNER STREET, CROMER STREET AND WILBERFORCE AVENUE REQUESTING TRAFFIC CALMING AND/OR MEASURES TO PREVENT THROUGH TRAFFIC.**

**Summary**

1. Members are asked to note the content of the petition and approve the proposal for assessing the request.

**Background**

2. The petition was presented to the Council in April 2007 and contains signatures from sixty-nine households. The front page of the petition is attached in Annex A.
3. Horner Street and Cromer Street lead off Burton Stone Lane and are intersected by Wilberforce Avenue. The roads identified in the petition make up part of a through route between Burton Stone Lane and Crichton Avenue. The northern end of Wilberforce Avenue is a Home Zone and the only access to traffic is from Crichton Avenue. A plan of the area is attached in Annex B.
4. The Speed Management Plan categorises Horner Street, Cromer Street and Wilberforce Avenue as residential areas. The plan allows vertical traffic calming to be implemented in residential areas.
5. In October 2006 Members approved a data led method of assessing speeding issues and prioritising speed reduction treatments. Members agreed that officers should report back with an assessment of identified speeding issues on a six monthly basis.
6. The assessment process involves looking at the three year injury accident history and conducting detailed speed surveys. In this instance surveys will also need to be carried out to gauge the level of through traffic.

**Consultation**

7. None at this stage.

## **Proposal**

8. To carry out a detailed assessment of the traffic issues in the Horner Street, Cromer Street and Wilberforce Avenue area for inclusion within the '*Six monthly review of speeding issues*'. The next report is scheduled for the Meeting of Executive Members for City Strategy and Advisory Panel on 16 July 2007 and the assessment could be included in this report. If due to unforeseen circumstances this is not feasible, the assessment could be included in the next six monthly review.
9. To make North Yorkshire Police aware of the petition and request that they consider routine speed enforcement.

## **Analysis**

10. The proposal will ensure that resident's concerns are assessed and prioritised for future action alongside other similar issues identified across the city. It will ensure that North Yorkshire Police are made aware of the petition and encouraged to take the appropriate action.

## **Corporate Objectives**

11. The proposal meets the Council's corporate objective to create a Safer City. It supports the aims and objectives of the Road Safety Strategy and the Speed Management Plan included as part of the Second Local Transport Plan.

## **Implications**

### **Financial**

12. As part of the 2007/08 Capital Programme £40,000 has been allocated to fund Reactive Safety/Danger Reduction/Speed Management minor works. This should enable any high priorities identified as part of the '*Six monthly review of speeding issues*' to be responded to quickly, depending on the likely cost of any proposals. Any significant spending proposals would need to be put forward for specific scheme funding in the 2008/09 Local Transport Plan Capital Programme.

### **Human Resources**

13. There are HR implications in terms of manpower to undertake and analyse 7 day/24 hour speed surveys. There are also HR implications in terms of manpower to develop reactive speed reduction schemes for implementation in 2007/08. These activities can be accommodated within existing staffing levels.

### **Equalities**

14. There are no equality implications.

### **Legal**

15. There are no legal implications.

### **Crime and Disorder**

16. Speeding is a criminal offence and the Council has a responsibility to deliver an effective Speed Management Strategy.

### **Information Technology**

17. There are no IT implications.

### **Property**

18. There are no property implications.

### **Other**

19. There are no other implications.

### **Risk Management**

20. In compliance with the Council's risk management strategy the risks arising from the recommendations have been assessed.

### **Strategic**

21. There are no risks associated with recommendations of this report.

### **Physical**

22. There are no risks associated with recommendations of this report.

### **Financial**

23. There is a potential risk that demand for speed reduction treatments outweighs the capacity to deliver. All potential speed reduction engineering treatments will be subject to budget allocation.

### **Organisation/Reputation**

24. There is likely to be opposition to a recommendation to take no action following the assessment of a speeding issue. However, the data led method of assessing speeding issues enables the Council to justify instances when no action is deemed appropriate.
25. Measured in terms of impact and likelihood, the risk score for all these risks has been assessed at less than 16 (see table below). This means that at this point the risks need only to be monitored, as they do not provide a real threat to the achievement of the objectives of this report.

<b>Risk Category</b>	<b>Impact</b>	<b>Likelihood</b>	<b>Score</b>
Strategic	Very Low	Remote	2
Physical	Very High	Remote	5
Financial	Medium	Possible	9
Organisation/Reputation	Medium	Probable	12

## Recommendations

26. That the Advisory Panel advise the Executive Member to adopt the proposals put forward in paragraphs 8 – 9.
27. **Reason:** The proposal will ensure that residents' concerns are investigated and assessed using the data led method of assessment. The proposal will allow this request to be considered against other speeding issues identified over the preceding six months.

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## Background Papers:

### Speed Management Report

Meeting of Executive Members for City Strategy and Advisory Panel, October 2006

**Second Local Transport Plan 2006 –11**  
(Including Road Safety Strategy and Speed Management Plan)

**Annexes**

**Annex A** Front page of the petition

**Annex B** Plan of Horner Street, Cromer Street and Wilberforce Avenue