

**MEETING OF THE HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE**  
**Tuesday, 20<sup>th</sup> January 2009 at 7.00 pm**

**LIST OF DECISIONS**

PRESENT: Councillor D Brown (Chair), Councillor Wharton (Vice Chair) and Councillors Colwill (alternate for Councillor Detre), Matthews and Van Colle.

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Detre.

**6. Petitions**

(i) **Petition Against the Kingsbury Road Local Safety Scheme**

<b>Summary</b>	This petition, submitted by local residents, stated that:-  “We, being residents of the Valley Farm Estate, wish to register our disapproval of the proposed plans for the changes to the Kingsbury Road between Valley Drive and the traffic lights at the junction with Roe Green.”
<b>Wards</b>	Fryent and Queensbury
<b>Decisions Taken</b>	that the contents of the petition be noted.  <i>Further decisions relating to this petition appear under Item 7.</i>

(ii) **Petition for Pedestrian Crossing on Pound Lane**

<b>Summary</b>	This petition, submitted by Councillor Jones on behalf of local residents, stated that:-  “We the undersigned declare our support for a safe crossing on Pound Lane.”
<b>Wards</b>	Willesden Green
<b>Decisions Taken</b>	that the contents of the petition be noted.  <i>Further decisions relating to this petition appear under Item 8.</i>

(iii) **Petition for Pedestrian Facilities in Woodcock Hill**

<b>Summary</b>	This petition, submitted by local residents, requested that a pedestrian crossing be introduced on Woodcock Hill (near Abercon Gardens) to assist school children who attend Mount Stewart Infant and Junior Schools.
<b>Wards</b>	Kenton
<b>Decisions Taken</b>	that the contents of the petition be noted.  <i>Further decisions relating to this petition appear under Item 9.</i>

(iv) **Petition for Traffic Signals at the Harrow Road/Wrottesley Road Junction**

<b>Summary</b>	This petition, submitted by Councillor Powney on behalf of local residents, stated that:-  "Kensal Green residents demand that Brent Council install traffic lights at the junction of Wrottesley Road and Harrow Road, as previously promised."
<b>Wards</b>	Kensal Green
<b>Decisions Taken</b>	that the contents of the petition be noted.

(v) **Petition from Residents of Larch, Mora and Pine Roads to Upgrade the Footway in their Streets**

<b>Summary</b>	This petition, submitted by local residents, requested that action be taken to improve the footways in Larch, Mora and Pine Roads.
<b>Wards</b>	Mapesbury
<b>Decisions Taken</b>	that the contents of the petition be noted.  <i>Further decisions relating to this petition appear under item 11.</i>

## 7. Petition Against the Kingsbury Road Local Safety Scheme

<b>Summary</b>	This report informed Members of a petition that was received from residents against the Kingsbury Road Local Safety Scheme (LSS). The report outlined the reasons for the LSS, the consultation process undertaken and subsequent discussions undertaken with the petitioner and Local Ward Councillors. The report recommended the introduction of the LSS, with amendments identified during the consultation process and in discussion with the Local Ward Councillors and petitioner.
<b>Wards</b>	Fryent and Queensbury
<b>Decisions Taken</b>	<p>(i) that the contents of the petition and the issues it raised be noted;</p> <p>(ii) that implementation of the modified Local Safety Scheme be agreed and that the petitioner be advised of this; and</p> <p>(iii) that the Director of Transportation be authorised to proceed with any necessary statutory consultation, to consider any objections or representations and either to refer objections back to this committee where he thinks appropriate or to implement the order if there are no objections, or he considers the objections or representations are groundless or insignificant.</p>

## 8. Petition for Pedestrian Crossing on Pound Lane

<b>Summary</b>	This report informed Members of a petition that was received from residents via Councillor Lesley Jones requesting a pedestrian crossing on Pound Lane. The report outlined the officer's investigations into the need for a crossing at this location and provided details of a Local Safety Scheme that was proposed for the area during the 2009/10 financial year. The report recommended that measures to improve pedestrian safety and accessibility at this location, and along the whole of Pound Lane, be considered as part of the local safety scheme.
<b>Wards</b>	Willesden Green
<b>Decisions Taken</b>	<p>(i) that the contents of the petition and the issues it raised be noted; and</p> <p>(ii) that it be agreed that the need to improve pedestrian</p>

	safety and accessibility along Pound Lane be addressed as part of the 2009/10 Local Safety Scheme, subject to the subsequent approval at a meeting of this Committee of the 2009/10 Transportation Unit Capital Programme.
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**9. Petition for Pedestrian Facilities in Woodcock Hill**

<b>Summary</b>	This report informed Members of a petition that was received from residents requesting a pedestrian crossing on Woodcock Hill near Abercorn Gardens. The report outlined the officer's investigations into the need for a crossing at this location and provided details of a 20mph Zone scheme that was proposed for the area during the 2008/09 and 2009/10 financial years. The report recommended that measures to improve pedestrian safety at this location, as well as at other locations along Woodcock Hill, be addressed as part of the 20mph Zone.
<b>Wards</b>	Kenton
<b>Decisions Taken</b>	(i) that the contents of the petition and the issues it raised be noted; and  (ii) that it be agreed that the need to improve pedestrian safety along Woodcock Hill be addressed as part of the 2008/09 and 2009/10 20mph Zone Scheme.

**10. Petition for Traffic Signals at the Harrow Road/Wrottesley Road Junction**

<b>Summary</b>	This briefing note informed Members of a petition that was received from residents via Cllr Powney for the introduction of traffic signals at the junction of Harrow Road/Wrottesley Road. The briefing note informed Members that funding for the scheme has been secured and will be implemented before the end of the 2008/09 financial year.
<b>Wards</b>	Kensal Green
<b>Decisions Taken</b>	that the briefing note on the petition for traffic signals at the Harrow Road/Wrottesley Road Junction be noted.

**11. Petition from Residents of Larch, Mora and Pine Road to Upgrade the Footway in their Streets**

<b>Summary</b>	This report informed Members of a petition that has been received and signed by residents of the above-named streets, on the basis that the overall condition of the footway (pavement) in their roads is in a poor state of repair and, as a result, they wish it to be renewed. The petition contained over 200 signatures, and the Committee is asked to consider the issue raised and the response of the Director of Environment and Culture.
<b>Wards</b>	Mapesbury
<b>Decisions Taken</b>	<p>(i) that the contents of the petition and the issues it raised be noted;</p> <p>(ii) that the streets be included in the current borough wide condition surveys and, if prioritised, be included in the 2009/10 Renewal Programme and that until such time as the renewal takes place, that the streets continue to be maintained with responsive repairs;</p> <p>(iii) that the lead petitioner be advised whether these streets will be included in the 2009/10 Renewal Programme following the decision by the Executive in March 2009; and</p> <p>(iv) that it be agreed that a site visit take place between officers, ward councillors and local residents to consider whether any urgent works need to be carried out.</p>

**12. Cycle Hire Schemes**

<b>Summary</b>	This report sought endorsement for officers to invite tenders and set up a borough wide cycle hire scheme. The public would be able to use the facility once they register with an operator and then pay by the hour whenever they used a bicycle from one of the many proposed docking stations.
<b>Wards</b>	All Wards
<b>Decisions Taken</b>	<p>that the following actions by officers be endorsed:-</p> <p>(a) to prepare a design brief for a Borough Cycle Hire Scheme</p> <p>(b) to seek tenders for a borough wide (single provider) of a cycle hire scheme; and</p>

	(c) that subject to financial approvals, appoint a preferred tender for the appropriate term of operation.
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**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

It was noted that the date of the next meeting would take place on Thursday, 19<sup>th</sup> March 2009 at 7.00 pm.

The meeting finished at 8.25 pm.

D BROWN  
Chair