Appendix 1

Councillor Call for Action Referral Form

This form is for use by councillors who wish to refer a local government matter or a local crime and disorder matter (please refer to the CCfA protocol) to an overview and scrutiny committee for consideration. The completed form should be sent to the Local Democracy Team in the Policy and Regeneration Unit. Contact details are at the end of the form.

1. Councillor: Cllr James Powney

2. Ward: Kensal Green

3. Please provide a brief description of issue / problem and what you think an overview & scrutiny committee could do to help resolve it. This should include details of any deputations made by local residents and consultations that have taken place:

The problem is the very large volume of vehicles going down Tubbs Road in Kensal Green, a narrow residential street. It is reported to be the slowest A-road in Britain. This creates air pollution and a feeling of lack of safety in the road.

A local residents' association (The Junction Association) has raised this matter with Cllr Thomas and me repeatedly. We have had meetings with Phil Rankmore and another member of the Transport department.

The essential problem is that this residential road is used as a cutthrough for people who want to avoid Scrubs Lane and the High Street, but wish to get to Old Oak Lane. The two solutions that I think would be useful would be signage to stop people coming down Tubbs Road and turning left into Old Oak Lane and a downgrading of the Road from an Aroad to a B road.

I hope downgrading the road would help it to be seen by transport planners as the minor road it actually is, rather than part of a strategic transport network. This needs to be done by a representation from Brent Council to the Secretary of State.

- 5. Please outline the steps you have taken to resolve the issue / problem. This should include:
 - Work undertaken via Neighbourhood Working.
 - > Contact with and responses from services / partner agencies.
 - > Discussions with other councillors in your ward
 - Investigations under the council's corporate complaints process.
 - > Any other information / evidence that will help the committee make a decision.

I have been in contact with the Brent Council transport department as mentioned above. This is not a matter susceptible to Neighbourhood Working or the corporate complaints service. Through Navin Shah, I have also contacted TfL, who say they have received no representations from Brent Council on the subject.

TfL have confirmed that the speeds on the road are very slow. The results of a speed survey in May 2007 were (average link speeds for Tubbs Road from junction with High Street Harlesden to junction with Old Oak Lane):

- 12.0 mph in the AM Peak (7 to 10am)
- 9.4 mph in the Inter Peak (10am to 4pm)
- 8.2 mph in the PM Peak (4pm to 7pm)