



## **One Council Overview and Scrutiny Committee**

**The following motion was referred by the Full Council on 13 September 2010 to the One Council Overview and Scrutiny Committee for further consideration:**

### **Car repair and spray painting garages**

This Council :

shares the concerns of residents who face disruption from the activities arising from and out of car repair and spray painting garages across Brent, particularly where these are unregulated;

notes that many areas of the Borough, including in particular the Alperton area, are adversely affected by the sometimes inconsiderate activities of these businesses;

recognises that problems caused to local residents have included not being able to park their cars in their streets, being unable to reverse out of driveways, smells from paint fumes, noise at all hours of the day, and abuse from workmen for challenging activity that clogs up local streets;

regrets the impact on safety, where emergency vehicles find it difficult to pass through, and on the overall character of our local communities

recommends to overview and scrutiny that a Panel be established to look into better regulation of car repair/spray painting garages in mainly residential areas, including the possibility of restricting their operation times to 9am to 6pm weekdays, and 10am-5pm on Saturdays, and to investigate how the impact on surrounding streets can best be mitigated and enforced against

supports efforts to seek the relevant Secretary of State's approval for any appropriate bye-laws which may be thought necessary or desirable to assist towards the objectives of this motion.