

CALDERDALE COUNCIL - LIST OF PETITIONS FEBRUARY 2015 ONWARDS

No.	Description	Date Received	Number of Signatures	Lead Petitioner	Date Acknowledged	Referred to	Contact Officer	Action Taken	Review Requested / Outcome
1	Condition of road surface at Mill Grove	29 th April 2015	47	Cllr Benton	1 st May 2015	Geoff Willerton	Richard Mills	<p>A full condition survey of the highway network will be undertaken during the summer months. The first phase of this survey will be a Coarse Visual Inspection which allows all roads to be assessed using the same criteria. Those roads which are identified as being in a poor condition by this survey will be further inspected by a Detailed Visual Inspection allowing the roads to be further assessed and ranked by condition. The results of this survey will be used to implement an asset management approach to the maintenance of the highway network that drives investment based upon need.</p> <p>Until the results of this network condition survey are obtained I am unable to confirm if Mill Grove will score highly enough to be included in the highway maintenance programme for the financial year 2015/16.</p>	
2	Dilapidated fencing on Pye Nest Road	29 th April 2015	26	Lisa Berry	1 st May 2015	Geoff Willerton	Richard Mills		
3	Resurfacing of Backhold Drive and surrounding streets	29 th April 2015	255	Cllr T Swift	1 st May 2015	Geoff Willerton	Roger Archer-Reeves		
4	Closure of Town Hall cafe	29 th April 2015	155	No lead petitioner – letter to Cllr B Collins advising position and passed to Service	1 st May 2015	Graham Dixon	Graham Dixon	The review of the Council's current corporate catering arrangements is now being undertaken. It is intended that a report will be presented to the Council's Cabinet in July 2015 in which full proposals for future provisions will be set out. The petition will be outlined in this report.	
5	Planning Application 15/00673	22 nd July 2015	396	Isolde Davey	27 th July 2015	Richard Seaman	Richard Seaman	The application is still being assessed and as such it would be premature to comment on the potential recommendation; however, if the recommendation is to permit the application, the decision will be referred to the Planning Committee. As the petition organiser you would be notified of the date of the meeting (along with the other parties who have made representations), and there will be an opportunity for a representative of the objectors to address the Committee for 5 minutes.	
6	Zebra Crossing at Mount Pellon School	22 nd July 2015	282	Mrs Cathy Hayton	27 th July 2015	Carolyn Walton	Peter Stubbs	Highways and Engineering have become increasingly aware of the limitations of the existing 20mph area in addressing these issues and I am happy to confirm that a review of traffic speeds, traffic flows and pedestrian movements will be undertaken as part of the 2015/16 Local Transport plan programme with a	

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								view to introducing appropriate traffic management measures along the street. Your request has also been passed to Public Health for the consideration of the School Crossing Patrol Manager and we understand that he will progress the provision of a school crossing patrol with Mount Pellon Primary Academy.	
7	Chemical Odours at Burley Street Surgery, Elland	22 nd July 2015	332	Kimberley Lowe	27 th July 2015	Peter Broadbent	Pearl Harrison	Calder Screen Print and Officers from Environmental Health are working with Burley Street Surgery to resolve the issues around the chemical odours.	
8	Poor state of Cousin Lane and lack of safe crossing arrangements at the junction with Ovenden Way	1 st October 2015	71	Mr Rice	15 th October 2015	Carolyn Walton	Nigel Tipling	A full condition survey of the highway network is being undertaken. The result of this survey will be used to identify initial schemes for next year. A detailed programme of work will then be prioritised using risk factors. Once this process has been completed we will be able to provide a detailed programme of work for next year based on the available highways budget. It cannot be guaranteed at this stage whether Cousin Lane will be in the programme for next year as there may be higher priority roads identified in the prioritisation process. The issue of the crossing at the junction of Ovenden Way has been raised and this will be added as a request for crossing facilities to the pedestrian crossing assessment matrix. The matrix is a list of outstanding requests for pedestrian crossing facilities.	
9	Rat problem on Field Lane Estate	1 st October 2015	83	Cllr A Collins	12 th October 2015	Peter Broadbent	Pearl Harrison	Officers have inspected the gardens where the pest infestation was nesting. The infestation has now been controlled.	
10	Speed of traffic in Cragg Vale	2 nd December 2015	159	Cllr S Trickett	14 th December 2015	Mark Thompson	Michelle Thompson		
11	Save Halifax Crown Post Office	17 th February 2016	184	Cllr M K Swift	26 th February 2016	Mark Thompson	Fiona Thurlbeck		
12	Protect Warley Ward's green spaces	17 th February 2016	641	Cllr Baker	2 nd March 2016	Mark Thompson			
13	Reduction of national speed limit on Perseverance Road	27 th April 2016	31	Mr Ken Oldfield	4 th May 2016	Mark Thompson			
14	Road safety in Beechwood	27 th April 2016	82	Cllr Lambert	6 th May 2016	Mark Thompson	Peter Stubbs		
15	Maintenance of Bar Lane, Ripponden	27 th April 2016	49	Paul Kenny	10 th May 2016	Mark Thompson	Nigel Tipling	Bar Lane is an unadopted highway and, as such, is not maintainable at public expense, that is to say it is a private road providing private access to in excess of 50	

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								<p>dwellings.</p> <p>There is a public right of way over Bar Lane in the form of bridleway access for horses, pedestrians and bicycles and, as such, is maintainable at public expense. However, reasonable maintenance of a bridleway is limited to loose/un-bound material being laid which would be inappropriate for Bar Lane, would not endure and so would not provide value for money.</p> <p>Although I understand the problems you face in maintaining Bar Lane, Calderdale Council cannot offer you any assistance.</p>	
16	Sale of Russell Dean Car Park to Russell Dean	20 th July 2016	159	Councillor Smith-Moorhouse	29 th July 2017	Mark Thompson			
17	Traffic Calming Measures on Elland Road	20 th July 2016	238	Councillor Benton	29 th July 2017	Mark Thompson			
18	Save the Cherry Trees in Wellholme Park	20 th July 2016	498	Councillor Peel	29 th July 2017	Mark Thompson			
19	The Re-Opening of Mearclough Bridge	29 th September 2016	127	Councillor D Foster	10 th October 2017	Mark Thompson			
20	Save Cragg Vale Junior and Infant School, Cragg Vale	30 th November 2016	44	Cllr Crosland	8 th December 2016	Stuart Smith	Stuart Smith	<p>It has been proposed that Cragg Vale school is relocated to an alternative site, closure was an option rejected by the Council. This was explained on many occasions throughout the consultation and is widely understood by all stakeholders.</p> <p>It is accurate to state that the Education Funding Agency (EFA) did make a 'notional indicative' allocation of £1.3m approximately in relation to Cragg Vale. This funding was not available to Cragg Vale school while on the current site. The cost of bringing the current site up to the standards deemed acceptable for a modern school are far in excess of £1.3m, the EFA would not even consider a feasibility study on the Cragg Vale site.</p> <p>It was very clear that the only way the Council might access this 'notional indicative' grant would be to identify an alternative site where expenditure could enhance provision rather than lead to abortive costs.</p> <p>Given these circumstances the proposal attracted overwhelming support of parents, pupils, teaching staff, governors and many of the community as they became</p>	

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								aware of these issues during consultation. I should inform you that the Council intends to proceed with the statutory consultation leading to a final decision on this matter in February 2017.	
21	Southowram buses – restore a half hour service	15 th February 2017	410	Cllr Metcalfe Cllr M K Swift Cllr T Swift	20 th February 2017	Mark Thompson	Peter Stubbs	<p>The West Yorkshire Combined Authority (WYCA) is responsible for co-ordinating bus service provision across West Yorkshire and for funding socially necessary but unprofitable services. I have discussed the withdrawal of the 572 service with Mr Neale Wallace, Head of Transport Operations at WYCA, and he has informed me that it is not intended to seek a replacement.</p> <p>WYCA has an established set of minimum service criteria that it uses to determine the provision of supported services. Subject to patronage levels it aims to provide a minimum hourly service from smaller settlements to the nearest large centre. First currently operates service 571 which runs hourly between Halifax, Southowram and Brighouse and I understand that additional journeys have been provided on this service to fill some gaps left by the withdrawal of service 572. WYCA has assessed the combined passenger loadings of services 571 and 572 between Halifax and Southowram and they do not justify the reinstatement of a half-hourly service. Please note that this decision is also set against a background of a reducing budget for tendered services across West Yorkshire.</p>	
22	Introduction of charges for on-street parking in Brighouse	15 th February 2017	503	Anne Colley	21 st February 2017	Mark Thompson		Petition referred to the Economy and Environment Scrutiny Panel on 30 th March 2017	
23	Faster internet for Warley Town	26 th April 2017	133	David Hinchliffe	5 th May 2017	Mark Thompson			