

REPORT TO: Cabinet Member - Communities

DATE: 8th September 2010

SUBJECT: Petition presented to Linacre & Derby Area Committee Re: Anti-Social Behaviour

WARDS AFFECTED: Derby Ward

REPORT OF: Director of Neighbourhoods

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**EXEMPT/
CONFIDENTIAL:** No

PURPOSE/SUMMARY:

To consider a petition submitted by residents of the Hawthorne Road/Bedford Road area calling upon:

‘Sefton MBC and the Local Police Authority to clear up issues connected with the problem families that are creating high levels of anti-social behaviour. Moreover, we would like the length of time it takes for the Police attendance to emergency calls addressed’

REASON WHY DECISION REQUIRED:

To comply with Minute No. 21(d) of the meeting of the Linacre and Derby Area Committee held on 12 July 2010

RECOMMENDATION(S):

Following representations made by Councillor Gustafson and a representative of local residents, to determine a course of action on the terms of the petition.

KEY DECISION: No

FORWARD PLAN: No

IMPLEMENTATION DATE: After the call-in period for the minutes of this meeting

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS:

Not applicable

IMPLICATIONS:**Budget/Policy Framework:****Financial:**

<u>CAPITAL EXPENDITURE</u>	2009/ 2010 £	2010/ 2011 £	2011/ 2012 £	2012/ 2013 £
Gross Increase in Capital Expenditure				
Funded by:				
Sefton Capital Resources				
Specific Capital Resources				
<u>REVENUE IMPLICATIONS</u>				
Gross Increase in Revenue Expenditure				
Funded by:				
Sefton funded Resources				
Funded from External Resources				
Does the External Funding have an expiry date? Y/N	When?			
How will the service be funded post expiry?				

Legal:**Risk Assessment:****Asset Management:****CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN/VIEWS**

CORPORATE OBJECTIVE MONITORING:

<u>Corporate Objective</u>		<u>Positive Impact</u>	<u>Neutral Impact</u>	<u>Negative Impact</u>
1	Creating a Learning Community			
2	Creating Safe Communities	✓		
3	Jobs and Prosperity			
4	Improving Health and Well-Being			
5	Environmental Sustainability			
6	Creating Inclusive Communities	✓		
7	Improving the Quality of Council Services and Strengthening local Democracy	✓		
8	Children and Young People			

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS RELIED UPON IN THE PREPARATION OF THIS REPORTLinacre & Derby Area Committee minutes 12th July 2010

Petition of Hawthorne Road and Bedford Road residents relating to anti-social behaviour

1. BACKGROUND:

At the meeting of the Linacre and Derby Area Committee held on 12 July 2010, Mrs. Kathleen Burgess, a local resident asked, during the Open Forum for further consideration to be given to the question raised about anti-social behaviour by problem families living in the Hawthorne Road / Bedford Road area and neighbouring streets. (Minute No. 7 (c) of 27 May 2010 referred). She also presented a petition of local residents calling upon:

'Sefton MBC and the Local Police Authority to clear up issues connected with the problem families that are creating high levels of anti-social behaviour. Moreover, we would like the length of time it takes for the Police attendance to emergency calls addressed'.

The Chair indicated that questions raised at previous meetings were not normally reconsidered until three months had lapsed between the previous time of asking. However, as part of the question related to the Police he asked Inspector Chris Burnham for a response in this respect.

Inspector Burnham concurred that the problems were serious but reiterated that any problems should be reported to the police switchboard for logging in the incident log to build up evidence to enable appropriate action to be taken.

The Chair advised that he would take this matter up with the Community Safety Area Partnership.

Members of the Area Committee expressed disappointment at the length of time being taken in resolving this problem and resolved that:

- (1) the Committee's concern at the time being taken for the matter of anti-social behaviour in the Hawthorne Road/Bedford Road area be noted;
- (2) the petition be forwarded to the Cabinet Member – Communities and it be noted that Councillor Gustafson indicated that she would speak to the petition and advise residents of the date of the Cabinet Member meeting.

Councillor Gustafson has been advised of the date of the meeting.