

<u>To</u>: Councillor Imrie, <u>Convener</u>; and Councillors Allan, Alphonse, Bell, Cameron, Lesley Dunbar, Grant, Macdonald, MacGregor, Avril MacKenzie, McRae, Noble, Sellar, Sandy Stuart and Yuill.

Town House, ABERDEEN 6 June 2017

# **PETITIONS COMMITTEE**

The Members of the **PETITIONS COMMITTEE** are requested to meet in **Committee Room 2 - Town House** on **WEDNESDAY**, **14 JUNE 2017 at 2.00 pm**.

FRASER BELL HEAD OF LEGAL AND DEMOCRATIC SERVICES

# **BUSINESS**

# PETITIONS TO BE CONSIDERED

1 Cycle Path for Ferryhill School Children

We the undersigned petition the Committee to build cycle paths for children who go to Ferryhill Primary school to allow them to cycle to and from school safely.

# <u>Justification</u>

Children who go to Ferryhill Primary school in Aberdeen would like to cycle to and from school safely. Currently they have to cycle on roads with cars and trucks. Please build dedicated cycle paths that are not shared with motor vehicles or pedestrians.

We would like Aberdeen City Council to build a dedicated cycle path on Bon Accord St, a very busy road with lots of fast-moving traffic, including trucks. We would also like Caledonian Place, Whinhill Rd, Fonthill Rd, Springbank Terrace, Willowbank Rd, and Great Southern Rd to have separated cycle paths. Children who cycle to school receive health and well-being benefits as a result of the physical activity. Aberdeen city also benefits through reduced pollution and traffic congestion around schools. Spending on cycling infrastructure returns more to the community than it costs to build.

# 2 Refuge Crossing at North Deeside Road

We the undersigned, petition the Council to give consideration to provide a crossing refuge on North Deeside Road near the junction of Abbotshall Road and Westerton Road.

#### **Justification**

The volume of traffic at significant times of the day is high, and the staggered junction adds to congestion making it difficult to cross safely. The elderly, disabled and parents with buggies and toddlers are all bus users, and this is a growing problem as the traffic through Cults increases.

# 3 <u>Introducing a 20 MPH speed limit on Lower Gray Street</u>

We the undersigned petition the council to respectfully request that Aberdeen City Council reviews the speed limit along Lower Gray Street, a route widely used by older people and by young children attending Broomhill School. Currently the other roads in close proximity to the school to Broomhill School have a 20mph limit whilst lower Gray Street is 30mph. Members and friends of Lower Gray Street Neighbourhood Watch Group.

## <u>Justification</u>

Aside from the improving the safety to pedestrians and cyclists there will be health and well-being benefits as a result of reduced speed limit from 30 mph to 20mph such as reduced noise and pollution.

Friends of LGSNHW have for a number of years have been in dialogue with the council and council members to introduce a reduction in the speed limit to enhance the safety of Gray street and the surrounding area by reducing the speed limit along Lower Gray street and have undertaken a petition to demonstrate the level of support to the proposal.

## **GENERAL BUSINESS**

4 Minute of Previous Meeting of 9 June 2016 (Pages 3 - 6)

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