

COUNCIL

22 NOVEMBER 2015

REPORT OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE

A.1 **PETITION: PROTECTING OPEN SPACES IN BOCKINGS ELM, CLACTON-ON-SEA**

(Report prepared by Ian Ford)

In accordance with the Council's approved scheme for dealing with petitions, I formally report the receipt of a petition submitted by Mrs Tracey White, as lead petitioner. The petition is signed by approximately 400 local residents and states:

"We, the undersigned, are concerned about the increase in arrivals of caravans and camper vans from the travelling community in the Clacton area. We would like the Council to erect concrete bollards or stones along the edge of the field adjoining Woodrows Lane/Purley Way/Mayford Way, with one removable bollard to allow the Council Gardener access to mow the grass and empty the dog waste. The stones should allow mobility scooters and pushchairs through, but not motorised vehicles."

In accordance with the Council's approved scheme for dealing with petitions, this matter will now be investigated and a report will be prepared and presented to Council together with the petition.

Members will be aware that the next practicable ordinary meeting of the Council is on 24 January 2017.

At that meeting, and in accordance with the Council's approved scheme, Mrs White, as the lead petitioner, will be invited to address the Council, present the petition and outline the action that the petitioners would like the Council to take. Members will then discuss the petition and decide what action, if any, should be taken. Mrs White will then be informed, in writing, of the Council's decision and the decision will be published on the Council's website.

RECOMMENDED - That the receipt of the Petition and the contents of the report be noted.

IAN DAVIDSON
CHIEF EXECUTIVE

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**BACKGROUND PAPERS LIST FOR
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