TITLE OF REPORT: NEWMARKET ROAD, ROYSTON - REQUEST FOR TRAFFIC CALMING

REPORT OF THE HEAD OF POLICY, PARTNERSHIPS & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To advise the Committee of the issues raised by the letter from Mr & Mrs Pryce and Mr & Mrs Heap and the petitioners, and of the actions taken to date.

2. FORWARD PLAN

2.1 This report does not contain a recommendation on a key decision and has not been referred to in the Forward Plan.

3. PROJECT/ACTIVITY/SCHEME DETAILS

- 3.1 The letter from Mr & Mrs Pryce and Mr & Mrs Heap supporting the petition raises several issues.
- 3.2 These are
 - 1. Noise levels along Newmarket Road, and the impact of projected flats on traffic levels and thence further increased noise;
 - 2. Breaches of the weight limit
 - 3. Breaches of the speed limit
 - 4. Request for a by-pass
- 3.3 Item 1 falls within the responsibility of NHDC Environmental Health: a copy of the letter has been sent to the Head of Service for consideration.
- 3.4 Items 2 and 3 are the responsibility of the Police, and a letter has been written to them requesting measurement of speed levels along Newmarket Road, and their observations on reported breaches of the weight limit.
- 3.5 Item 4 lies within the remit of the consultants responsible for the preparation of the Urban Transport plan for Royston, and though strictly speaking the document arrived outside the consultation period, a copy has been provided to the consultants for their consideration.

4. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

4.1 That the Committee endorses the actions taken by the Community Development Officer to promote greater community capacity and well-being.

5. REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION

5.1 To ensure that the Committee are kept informed of the work of the Community Development Officer.

6. CONTACT OFFICER

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