

## UPDATE

## PETITIONS STILL ACTIVE AND NEW PETITIONS RECEIVED

Nature of Petition	Appropriate Service/Officer	Summary of Information	Status of Petition
<p>Petition 34</p> <p>Closure of Walkways on Woodhouse Close</p> <p>No. of signatures - 73</p> <p>Petition received 05.08.09</p>	<p>B Kitching, Policy and Asset Manager, Neighbourhoods</p>	<p>Planning Inspectorate made their decision, with 2 of the 3 closures to go ahead. A Meeting was held as regards the works that are to go ahead, and those works have now commenced.</p>	<p>Regular update letters sent, with the last one being dated 11.07.13</p> <p>Petition <b>CLOSED</b>.</p>
<p>Petition 112</p> <p>Proposed Relocation of New Gym Equipment from Recreation Ground on Colliery Road, Bearpark, to The Wood</p> <p>No. of signatures - 539</p> <p>Petition received 09.03.11</p>	<p>N Dodds, Strategic Manager, Outdoor Sport and Leisure / C Stephens, Outdoor Sport and Leisure Officer (Central and East), Neighbourhoods</p>	<p>The skatepark has now been installed, there are some landscaping works, extra drainage and installation of junior football goals still to be undertaken over the coming weeks, however, a launch event was held on Friday 26 July, at which the Chairman of Durham County Council/Mayor of Durham officially opened the skatepark.</p>	<p>Regular update letters sent, with the last one being dated 05.07.13</p> <p>Petition <b>CLOSED</b>.</p>

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<p>Petition 133</p> <p>Petition for the adoption of Wellfield Park Estate, Wingate</p> <p>No. of signatures - 92 Petition received 12.7.11</p>	<p>J Collins – Highway Adoptions Team Leader, Regeneration and Economic Development</p>	<p>In order to serve a Default Notice and reclaim bond money so that the County Council can complete the adoption of this and other McInerney developments we need an estimate, bill of quantities and drawing showing the work required.</p> <p>I am expecting to carry out a site inspection within the next two weeks and send out the default notice shortly after that. There is a statutory period of 28 days for the bondsman to respond, and after that the works can begin as soon as a contractor is appointed. I hope to be on site by the middle of October this year.</p>	<p>Regular update letters sent, with the last one being dated 14.08.13</p>
<p>Petition 198</p> <p>Former Stanley Board School, Front Street, Stanley</p> <p><b>E-petition</b> - No. sigs 70 Petition received 5.11.12</p>	<p>D Collins, Estates / G Darby, Assets, Regeneration and Economic Development</p>	<p>E-petition made live on the Council's website 09.11.12.</p> <p>Petition asks for the building to be "for the use of the local community". E-petition closed for collection of signatures 15.02.13.</p>	<p>Regular update letters sent, with the last one being dated 29.08.13</p>

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Petition 198 cont.		Petitioner informed that the building was sold subject to contract and the private investor was proposing to renovate the existing structure and bring it back into use, albeit the end use was unconfirmed and would be subject to planning consent.	
<p>Petition 207</p> <p>Against Closure of First Class Childcare, Burnhope, Durham</p> <p>No. signatures – 764</p> <p>Petition received 26.04.13</p>	<p>D Todd, Grant and Childcare Places Lead / N Waugh, Early Years Development Officer / S Fall, Strategic Manager / C O'Neill, Head of Education, Children and Adults Services</p>	<p>Petitioner informed of the decision of the Directors of Burnhope First Class Childcare to close the company. Petitioner informed of work of DCC with Burnhope Primary School to ensure some childcare services can still be offered.</p>	<p>Regular update letters sent, with the last one being dated 05.07.13</p> <p>Petition <b>CLOSED</b>.</p>
<p>Petition 208</p> <p>Pedestrian Safety and Amenity for Sedgefield Resident</p> <p>No. signatures – 125</p> <p>Petition received 09.05.13</p>	<p>K Jameson, Area Traffic and Comm. Engagement Manager / D Battensby, Ass. Traffic and Comm. Engagement Manager / T Smith, Special Projects Officer, Neighbourhoods</p>	<p>Petitioner informed of existing crossing provision and given information relating to an assessment for a formal crossing, noting the proposal did not meet the necessary Department for Transport criteria.</p>	<p>Regular update letters sent, with the last one being dated 07.06.13</p> <p>Petition <b>CLOSED</b>.</p>

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<p>Petition 209</p> <p>Resurface road at Greenbank Street, Chester-le-Street</p> <p>No. signatures – 22 Petition received 10.05.13</p>	<p>T Smith, Special Projects Officer, Neighbourhoods</p>	<p>Petitioner informed of reasons why bollards were not possible at the location, and information as regards resurfacing works for 2013/14, noting that the while the area would be not be included, it would be included in the evaluation process for possible inclusion in the 2014/15 capital works programme. Works to potholes were completed.</p>	<p>Regular update letters sent, with the last one being dated 07.07.13</p> <p>Petition <b>CLOSED</b>.</p>
<p>Petition 210</p> <p>Car Park to alleviate traffic problems on Lightfoot Road, Newton Aycliffe</p> <p>No. signatures – 67 Petition received 14.05.13</p>	<p>T Smith, Special Projects Officer, Neighbourhoods</p>	<p>Petitioner informed of verge hardening works that had been carried out in 2012 to deter parking in the immediate area of the bend and of the presence of underground public utility pipes and cable in the verge that meant further works could not be carried out to create a parking area.</p>	<p>Regular update letters sent, with the last one being dated 04.06.13</p> <p>Petition <b>CLOSED</b>.</p>
<p>Petition 211</p> <p>Community Petition to save the Walls of Barnard Castle <b>E-petition</b> - Petition received 14.05.13</p>	<p>S Timmiss, Head of Planning and Assets, Regeneration and Economic Development</p>	<p>Petitioner informed of a positive meeting between the parties involved, with all involved noting the importance of working together to attempt to resolve the issue.</p>	<p>Regular update sent, with the last one being dated 27.06.13</p> <p>Petition <b>CLOSED</b>.</p>

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Petition 211 cont.		It was agreed for a structural survey of the cliff be undertaken and all parties to keep public and other interested parties up to date. Further discussions would take place after the survey and the Council would in the meantime reinforce fencing at the area.	
<p>Petition 212</p> <p>Change to the Parent and School Parking at Westlea Primary School / Winslow Crescent, Seaham</p> <p>No. signatures – 29 Petition received 15.05.13</p>	I Henry, Travel Planning Team Leader and L Mowbray, Team Leader - Major Traffic Projects, Regeneration and Economic Development	Petitioner was informed that it would be for school management as regards regulation of parents driving onto school grounds; however, this was not encouraged unless there was a specific accessibility requirement issue. Creating specific car parking on school premises for parents was against Council policy and it was noted that schools, within their School Travel Plans, could look put in place schemes, such as a “5 Minute Walking Zone” to help displace parental parking from the immediate area of the school.	<p>Regular update letters sent, with the last one being dated 04.06.13</p> <p>Petition <b>CLOSED</b>.</p>

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Petition 212 cont.		<p>Petitioner informed of the powers Durham Constabulary have in respect of “parking causing unnecessary obstruction” and that parking restrictions were usually considered where road safety was being compromised and any such restrictions in this instance would impact on residents as well and parents, therefore it was hoped that parking problems would be managed by the school rather than by introducing more punitive measures.</p>	
<p>Petition 213</p> <p>Grass cutting and create car parking at Fowler Road, Newton Aycliffe</p> <p>No. signatures – 11 Petition received 03.05.13</p>	<p>K Jameson, Area Traffic and Comm. Engagement Manager / T Smith, Special Projects Officer, Neighbourhoods</p>	<p>Petitioner informed of the powers Durham Constabulary have in respect of “parking causing unnecessary obstruction”, and of the nature of “first come, first served” basis when parking on the highway outside of properties. Petitioner also informed of Government directions towards promoting alternative forms of travel and potential of not decreasing speeding issues by providing additional parking.</p>	<p>Regular update letters sent, with the last one being dated 26.06.13</p> <p>Petition <b>CLOSED</b>.</p>

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<p>Petition 214</p> <p>Save The Praxis Site, Ferryhill</p> <p><b>E-petition -</b> No. signatures – 6 electronic 500 paper signatures Petition received 03.06.13</p>	<p>S Timmiss, Head of Planning and Assets / G Darby, Assets Services Manager, Regeneration and Economic Development</p>	<p>E-petition submitted 03.06.13 – only 6 e-signatures received prior to close of collection period – further submission of paper copies from Dene Bank Residents Association received via Councillor P Crathorne 06.08.13.</p> <p>Petitioner given information of a meeting with the Residents Association 5.8.13, with a presentation given and informing the Residents Association of future opportunities, working with Partners, such as Livin and Four Housing Group.</p> <p>The Petitioner was also informed of a Council Interactive Residents Meeting to be held in October 2013 which will also be attended by key partners and will provide opportunity for all residents of Dean Bank to attend. Further details to be confirmed closer to the time.</p>	<p>Regular update letters sent, with the last one being dated 29.08.13</p>

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<p>Petition 215</p> <p>Parking/Loading Bay at Greenwell Road, Dalton Way and Faulkner Road, Newton Aycliffe</p> <p>No. signatures – 987</p> <p>Petition received 11.06.13</p>	<p>D Wafer, Strategic Traffic Manager, Regeneration and Economic Development</p>	<p>Petitioner given information as regards the traffic regulations in place, how any monitoring / enforcement process is carried out and as regards the loading bay. It was noted within correspondence to the Petitioner that the Council could look at amending the bay and the Petitioner could contact a member of the Strategic Traffic Team as regards this. Upon receipt of further correspondence from the Petitioner, a further response was sent setting out information as regards various restrictions and regulation orders in place in the area, and reiterating the offer to look at amending the bay upon contacting Strategic Traffic.</p> <p>The latest update from the service to the Petitioner set out information relating to taxi provision and TROs at the locations mentioned, loading bays and restrictions. The Petitioner was offered the opportunity to discuss the issues of the loading bay further with Officers from Strategic Traffic.</p>	<p>Regular update letters sent, with the last one being dated 21.08.13</p>



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<p>Petition 216</p> <p>“Where is the layby for Lumley Close, Newton Aycliffe”</p> <p>No. signatures – 17</p> <p>Petition received 19.06.13</p>	<p>K Jameson, Area Traffic and Comm. Engagement Manager / T Smith, Special Projects Officer / P Stannard, Area Traffic and Comm. Engagement Ass. Eng. (Area 2), Neighbourhoods</p>	<p>Petitioner informed of visit by Local Member and Traffic and Community Engagement Officer on 18 June 2013.</p> <p>Petitioner informed of trial hole to determine location and depth of public utilities, and depending upon results a scheme could be drawn up. The Petitioner was informed of funding being sourced from Local Members in this regard. Upon receipt of public utility information a meeting with Local Members was arranged, with Petitioner to be informed so that they may attend also.</p>	<p>Regular update letters sent, with the last one being dated 27.08.13</p>
<p>Petition 217</p> <p>Reinstate Public Pool and Chester-le-Street</p> <p><b>E-petition -</b></p> <p>Petition received 12.07.13</p>	<p>P Irwin, Outdoor Sport and Leisure Manager / N Dodds, Strategic Manager, Outdoor Sport and Leisure / S Howell, Head of Sport and Leisure, Neighbourhoods</p>	<p>Petition to reinstate the use of paddling pool at Chester-le-Street. Pool was reopened 14.08.13.</p>	<p>Acknowledgement 12.07.13, made live on website 22.07.13</p> <p>Regular update sent, with the last one being dated 19.08.13</p> <p>Petition marked as completed on website 19.08.13.</p> <p>Petition <b>CLOSED</b>.</p>

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<p>Petition 218</p> <p>Petition with regard to “The Loading Only Bay” at Baliol Street, Barnard Castle</p> <p>No. signatures – 84</p> <p>Petition received 12.07.13</p>	<p>L Mowbray, Major Projects Team Leader – Strategic Traffic, Regeneration and Economic Development</p>	<p>Petitioner informed that sign regarding loading bay removed in light of change of use of nearby premises, and order placed to have lines and text removed from the road surface in due course.</p>	<p>Regular update letters sent, with the last one being dated 12.07.13</p> <p>Petition <b>CLOSED</b>.</p>
<p>Petition 219</p> <p>Save Our Fields Campaign – Trimdon Station</p> <p>No. signatures – 353 (at 26.07.13)</p>	<p>S Timmiss, Head of Planning and Assets Regeneration and Economic Development</p>	<p>Petition as regards allocation of area of land at Trimdon Station for housing development.</p> <p>Petition falls outside of the petition scheme as “e-signatures” collected via another website, not DCC, however, Head of Planning and Assets responded noting:</p> <p>“I was invited to attend a meeting with residents, together with a Local Member, Councillor Lucy Hovvels, regarding this issue.</p>	<p>Update e-mail sent 16.08.13</p> <p>Petition <b>CLOSED</b>.</p>

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		<p>I was made aware of the concerns raised by residents and explained the Council's position at this time relating to planning policy and that the site in question was not allocated for housing. At this time we have not received an application to build on the site and therefore we can only monitor the situation and provide clarity on issues relating to the planning process. If an application is received all of the issues raised by residents will be considered as part of the process".</p>	
<p>Petition 220</p> <p>Peterlee A19 Traffic Lights</p> <p><b>E-petition -</b></p> <p>Petition received 28.07.13</p>	<p>A White, Head Of Transport and Contract Services / D Wafer, Strategic Traffic Manager / D Lewin, Traffic Management Section Manager / M Sinclair, Team Leader Traffic Signals and UTM, Regeneration and Economic Development</p>	<p>Petition to have traffic lights at the A19 roundabout at Peterlee operated on a part time basis.</p>	<p>Acknowledgement 28.07.13, made live on website 02.08.13</p>

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<p>Petition 221</p> <p>Land at the top of Harelaw Gardens, Catchgate, Stanley</p> <p>No. signatures – 53</p> <p>Petition received 08.08.13</p>	<p>O Sherratt – Head of Direct Services / A. Lambert, Special Projects Officer, Neighbourhoods / M Ogden, Access and Rights of Way Team Leader , Regeneration and Economic Development</p>	<p>Petition for untidy and high weeds to be cut and maintained.</p> <p>Petitioner informed that vegetation would be cut back in September, and once the initial cut was undertaken, the ground would then be able to be assessed and if good added to the programme of routine maintenance work. If this was not feasible, then the vegetation would be cut twice yearly to stop the vegetation from growing.</p>	<p>Regular update letters sent, with the last one being dated 27.08.13</p> <p>Petition <b>CLOSED</b>.</p>