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**Meeting:** Delegated Decisions by the Executive Member for Community Services.  
**Date:** 9 December 2014  
**Subject:** Consideration of a petition that has been submitted to the Council – Chiltern Close, Ampthill.  
**Report of:** Paul Mason, Head of Highways  
**Summary:** This report is to note the receipt of a petition submitted to Central Bedfordshire Council.

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Contact Officer: Nick Chapman  
Public/Exempt: Public  
Wards Affected: Ampthill  
Function of: Council

#### **CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS**

**Council Priorities:**

None from this report

**Financial:**

There is currently no budget allocated for this work.

**Legal:**

None from this report

**Risk Management:**

None from this report

**Staffing (including Trades Unions):**

None from this report

**Equalities/Human Rights:**

None

**Community Safety:**

None from this report

**Sustainability:**

None from this report.

**RECOMMENDATION(S):**

**That the Executive Member for Community Services notes the receipt of the petition and that it will be considered at a future date when the Parking Strategy review is completed.**

**Background and Information**

1. A petition from has been received signed by 25 residents of Chiltern Close, Ampthill.
2. Residents are concerned with the frequent increase in parking from parents and staff at Russell Lower School. This includes parking in bays and across accesses which have off road parking (see appendix C) and speeding around the close.
3. Residents would like consideration of:
  - A residents only parking scheme
  - Speed tables
  - Double yellow lines
4. The Council receives many requests for additional parking controls throughout the area. The implementation of such requests requires not only the preparation and administration of a legal Traffic Regulation Order but implementation on site and subsequent enforcement action. In assessing whether or not requests should be implemented the Council must decide whether the net benefit to the highways network justifies the resources employed to deliver and maintain it. the Council will do this in the main by reference to an established Parking Strategy and the implementation policies contained within it.
5. The Council is currently in the process of undertaking a detailed review of the current Parking Strategy. On that basis it is considered that unless required urgently on grounds of immediate road safety any requests for parking controls received from now until that review is complete should not be considered for implementation on an ad-hoc basis. All such requests will be considered in the context of the reviewed and adopted Parking Strategy when it is completed next year.

## Appendices

### Appendix A: Chiltern Close, Ampthill



### Appendix B: Petition

Petition for parking restrictions/  
Residents Parking Only signage for  
Chiltern Close Ampthill MK45 2GA

Appendix C: Photos

