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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 regarding Priory Park, Longhedge, Dunstable.  
**Report of:** Paul Mason, Head of Highways  
**Summary:** This report is to note the receipt of petitions submitted to Central Bedfordshire Council and determine a way forward.

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Contact Officer: Nick Chapman  
Public/Exempt: Public  
Wards Affected: Dunstable  
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.**

**Background and Information**

1. A petition from the Manager of the Priory Park Residential Home has been received signed by 41 residents. The petition highlights defects in the footway condition and concerns at the speed of vehicles.
2. Longhedge forms part of a 20mph zone which has recently been implemented in this part of Dunstable in line with the Councils commitment to reducing traffic speeds in areas where people live.  
As a residential cul-de-sac with several bends we would not normally expect such a road within a 20mph speed limit to be subject to excessive speeds. It is extremely unlikely that this road would be deemed appropriate for traffic calming from the Highways Capital Budget.
3. Footway condition is assessed as part of our inspection regime and a programme of repairs and resurfacing prepared. We will undertake another visit when inspectors are in the area
4. It is not recommended that further action be taken at this time in respect of the alleged speeding issues.

## Appendices

### Appendix A: Location plan: Longhedge, Priory Park.



### Appendix B: Petition

**Condition of Pathways, Pavements & Speeding problems at Priory Park.**  
**PRIVATE RETIREMENT DEVELOPMENT, DUNSTABLE.**

**The Undersigned Residents ask that this request be considered a priority.**

**Signature .**

**Address at Priory Park.**