

Paper Petition Details

Eagle Road Alley Way – Anti Social Behaviour

We the undersigned would like to propose that the Highway Agency close the Eagle Road entrance to the alley way permanently and put effective lighting in the alley way to stop the attraction of drug users and kids. Also permanently close the alley way located on the east side of the British Legion which borders Eagle Road.

This petition was received on 10th November 2011.

This petition was passed to the Community Safety Project Officer on 11th November 2011

This petition was responded to by the Community Safety Project Officer on 30th November 2011.

Final Results	
Number of Signatures	29

Council Response

Highways

The design for the development known now as Eagle Rd and Swift Close included a new public right of way to link the existing footpaths to the development and provide an alternative lit walking route through the site. This path is to run from the existing Footpath 4b (adjacent to no. 19 Eagle Rd) in front of properties 18 and 19 Eagle Road to what will be the adopted highway of Eagle Road. This new path along with the rest of Eagle Road and Swift Close has not yet been legally adopted by the Council and therefore remain under the control of the developers, Taylor Wimpey. Any correspondence concerning the path therefore needs to be directed to Taylor Wimpey, Customer Services Manager, Jim Mulcahy at; Jim.Mulcahy@taylorwimpey.com.

The alleyway located to the east of the British Legion is an existing public footpath known as Footpath 4c.

The Highways Authority (Council) and Taylor Wimpey have discussed the concerns that have been raised about these paths due to problems being experienced with anti-social behaviour and crime in the area. The outcome is that in fulfilling the planning obligation for this site Taylor Wimpey have now opened the path where it links to the existing public footpath. This will allow an assessment to be made with the paths open during a trial period of three months. If after this time there is anti-social behaviour/crime being reported as a result of the link path being open, the Highways Authority can look at a variation being made of the planning obligation/closing the link and assess the further need to close the existing footpath.

Community Safety Team

Further to the response from Highways a request has been made to the south Neighbourhood Police team to collate statistics on crime and anti-social behaviour reported to Thames Valley Police, for three months commencing 23rd November 2011 (date the footpath was officially opened up by Taylor Wimpey). Therefore, please continue to report incidents and encourage your neighbours to do the same by phoning the Thames Valley Police non-emergency number 101. The police will not be able to come out to each and every incident but the calls will be logged and monitored. Anti-social behaviour can also be reported to our ASB hotline on 01753 875298. If a crime is in progress or a person is in immediate danger the emergency services should be alerted by calling 999.

I have also requested for the south neighbourhood police team to continue to patrol the area as part of their patrol plan.

If you would like to discuss any aspect of this response in more detail, please do not hesitate to contact the Community Safety Project Officer.