

Springhill issues for PC attention

1	<p>The speed of vehicles up and down the main road to the prison often exceeds the 20mph speed limit. This has been highlighted in a risk assessment completed by the prison in which it states that additional control measures should be put in place to control the risk to an acceptable level. These control measures have not been put in place so the risk on that road remains high.</p> <p>Can the PC please work with the prison to ensure these control measure are put in place thus reducing the risk to drivers and pedestrians.</p>
2	<p>The street lighting on the estate is and has been an issue for some time. Many lights are not working, many lights are damaged with bare wires being exposed. The prison maintains that the lights on the estate belong to the residents, however, the electric bill for the lights is paid for by the prison, thus it is logical that the lights belong to them. At a recent PC meeting, it was suggested by the chair that the prison be given the option of either repairing the lights or removing them from peoples property.</p> <p>Can the PC work with the prison to have all the lights repaired so they are all working or that they remove them from private property.</p>
3	<p>There is a pedestrian walkway on the estate which belongs to the prison. Vehicles continually park on this walkway which forces residents to have to walk into the road and potentially into oncoming traffic. This has been identified as a hazard and has been accepted as such by the prison. Despite numerous communication and suggestion of resolution options, nothing has been done.</p> <p>Can the PC work with the prison to resolve this issue and ensure the residents are safe when walking on the estate.</p>
4	<p>The path on the right hand side of the entrance to the estate is overgrown by the trees from the house on the corner, making it difficult to walk through there without the risk of being caught and injured by the overhanging branches This path is owned by the prison and they have a responsibility to ensure it is safe to use by the public. The path is also covered with mud causing it to be a serious slip hazard.</p> <p>Can the PC work with the prison to ensure the path is cleared and the overhanging trees are cut back to the fence line allowing free and easy passage to the public.</p>
5	<p>The path leading from the estate onto Andy Youngs field is a public footpath but is owned by the prison. This is currently unusable due to the overhanging branches and thorns from the property of number 70. Despite communication between the committee and the resident at No. 70, he has still not cut the brambles back. It is an offence under the Highways act not to maintain these footpaths so to allow users full access.</p> <p>Can the PC work with the prison to have this footpath cleared for public use.</p>
6	<p>The MOJ have decided that they do not want to maintain ownership of the green areas on the estate and they are prepared to work out a program of ownership to the residents. It was decided that this would be held back until after a decision was made on the new prison. Now that the decision has been made, can the PC work with the MOJ and arrange the ownership of the green areas to be transferred to the estate.</p>