



Environment and Enterprise Directorate Corporate Director – Caroline Bruce

> 23rd January 2014 Our ref: AD/ Ashridge Your ref:

Dear

Petition regarding the Carriageway and Footways in Ashridge Gardens

I refer to the petition presented on behalf of the residents of Ashridge Gardens, Pinner and have been asked to respond on behalf of the Council. Please accept my apologies for the delay in responding.

As the number of petitioners has exceeded thirty, in accordance with the Council's policy, I am writing to you only as the lead petitioner. This response will be published on the Council's website and a copy sent to the Ward Councillors.

The views and concerns of residents are noted. However, in order to as far as is practicable, produce a fair and unbiased programme of footway and carriageway works, these are based upon a robust scoring system which removes personal preferences but combines the results from structural surveys carried out by consultants on behalf of the Council with scores based on usage, the risk factor, corporate objectives and impact. The extent of the programme is limited by the available budget and is prioritised on the scores given to each road.

Consequently I regret that Ashridge Gardens is not included within the current programmes of work.

However, all footways and carriageways are inspected on a periodic basis between three and four times a year. As a result of these inspections localised repairs are implemented where a defect exceeds the Council's intervention levels and is considered to be a potential hazard to pedestrians or vehicle users.

Unfortunately there is only a finite budget and I trust you will appreciate the need to target maintenance on a priority basis.

Yours sincerely,

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