PHEASEY AND PADDOCK LOCAL NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP

11th July, 2005

Highway Land - Bell Road

Purpose of Report

To inform the Partnership of the outcome of a public meeting in respect of the use of highway land at Bell Road, Park Hall.

Recommendations

To note the report.

Background

At the last meeting, a petition was submitted in respect of alleged nuisance caused by children playing football on a patch of highway land in Bell Road. Councillor Zahid offered to organise a resident's meeting to attempt to resolve the issue.

Report

The meeting took place on Tuesday, 21st June at the Town Hall, to which Ward Councillors, residents and Council officers attended.

A free discussion took place, during which time, it was established that many of the problems associated with the site were caused by youths who are not local to the particular area and there was very little the Council could do in terms of the Highways Act.

Concluding the meeting, it was agreed that Ward Councillors and the beat bobby would monitor the situation at the weekend and would report to the next LNP meeting. In the meantime and in future, there should be a dialogue between residents in an attempt to resolve this difficult and sensitive issue.

Relationship to the Plan

The actions identified in this report link to the environmental objectives: "improving the environment and local facilities for the community".