

Agenda Item No. 4(b)

DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

**MEETING OF CABINET MEMBER – HIGHWAYS, TRANSPORT AND
INFRASTRUCTURE**

23 January 2020

Report of the Executive Director – Economy, Transport and Environment

**PETITION – NETHERMOOR LANE, KILLAMARSH - CONCERNS
REGARDING HIGHWAY SAFETY**

(1) **Purpose of Report** To inform the Cabinet Member of investigations undertaken following receipt of a petition concerning safety at a bend located towards on Nethermoor Lane in Killamarsh. A report was previously produced for a similar visibility issue on Nethermoor Lane but, owing to miscommunication, the wrong bend was investigated.

(2) **Information and Analysis**

Background

At the meeting on 18 April 2019, the Cabinet Member acknowledged receipt of a petition (Minute No. 16/19 refers). It contained 45 signatures requesting that both visibility and road safety improvements are carried out at a bend on Nethermoor Lane. A plan detailing the site as attached as an appendix.

Officer Comment

Nethermoor Lane is a residential cul-de-sac situated off the B6058 Sheffield Road in Killamarsh. The housing has been constructed in different phases over the years, which has led to Nethermoor Lane being extended in length with the resulting carriageway width varying from 11 metres (m) close to its junction with Sheffield Road, down to approximately 4.7m to 6m at the bend where the safety concerns have been expressed.

The petitioners, however, feel that the bend in the road causes an issue as an area of planting within the boundary of a private dwelling reduces the forward visibility when travelling around the bend. The bend in question is within a residential area with a 30mph speed limit and vehicles travelling around this bend should proceed with caution at a sensible speed. It is acknowledged that all the planting on either side of the road should stay within the confines of each property boundary and that it should not encroach onto the adopted highway. The County Council's collision database demonstrates a very good safety record on Nethermoor Lane and a recent survey of vehicle speeds at

the location of the bend show an 85% speed of 20mph. The 85th percentile speed is defined as, “*the speed at or below which 85 percent of all vehicles are observed to travel under free-flowing conditions past a monitored point.*” It cannot, therefore, be recommended that safety measures be introduced at this site. However, at sites such as this one, with good collision records, and where there are occasionally vehicles that exceed the speed limit, a community speed watch initiative can be an effective way of combating drivers who fail to drive to the residential conditions.

Local Members Comments

Councillor Diane Charles and Councillor Brian Ridgeway were consulted and had no comments to make.

(3) **Financial Considerations** There are no financial considerations associated with this report.

Other Considerations

In preparing this report the relevance of the following factors has been considered: legal, prevention of crime and disorder, equality and diversity, human resources, environmental, health, property, social value and transport considerations.

(4) **Key Decision** No.

(5) **Call-In** Is it required that call-in be waived in respect of the decisions proposed in the report? No.

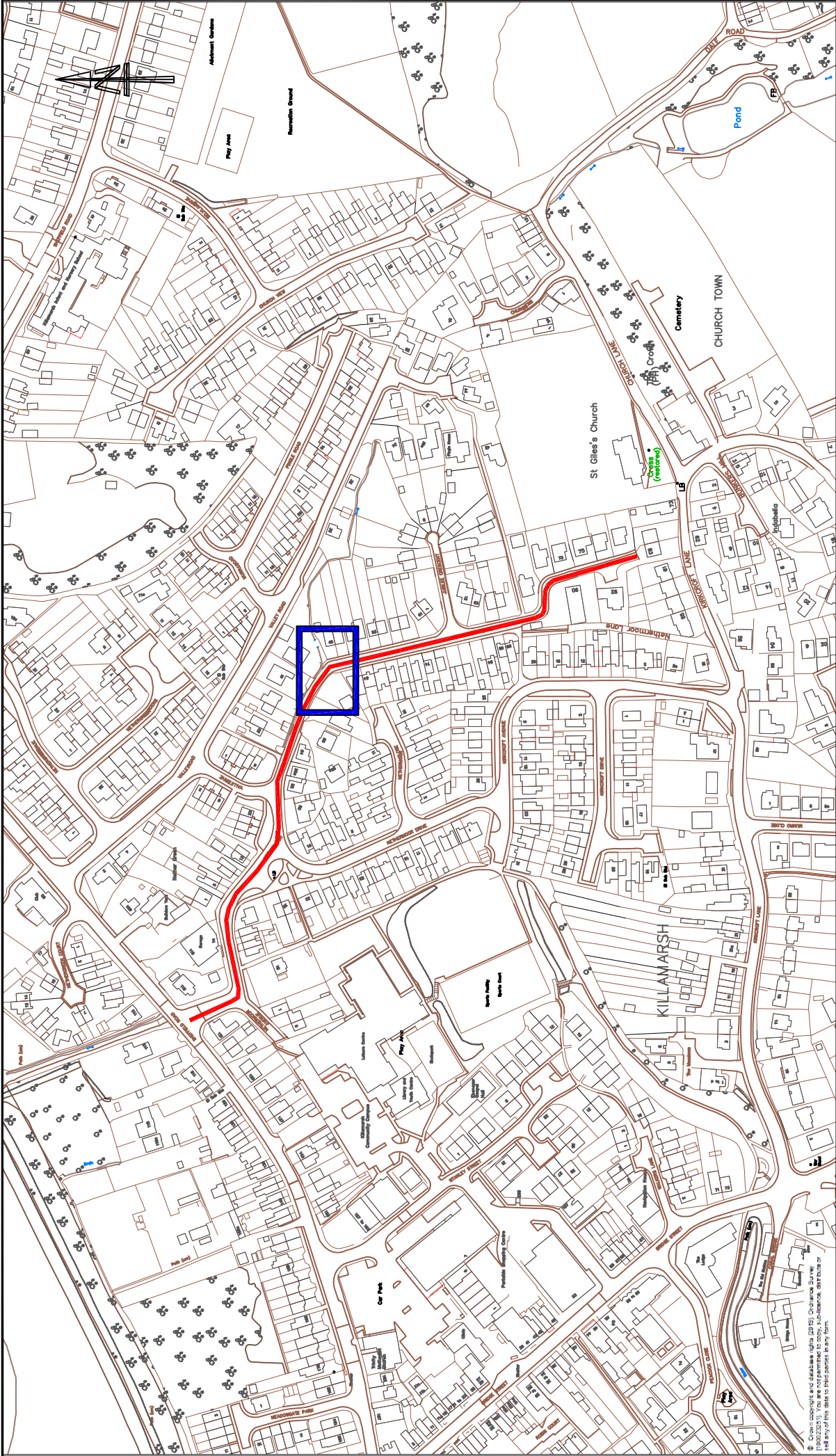
(6) **Background Papers** Held on file within the Economy, Transport and Environment Department.




(7) **OFFICER’S RECOMMENDATIONS** That:

7.1 Derbyshire County Council’s Maintenance Team continues to inspect the private planting on Nethermoor Lane, Killamarsh as part of routine inspections, to ensure there is no encroachment onto the adopted highway; and

7.2 The Local Member and lead petitioner be informed accordingly.

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