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**To:** Audit, Scrutiny and Petitions Board

**On:** 30 November, 2015

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**Report by:** Director of Finance & Resources

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**Heading:** **Petition: Road Safety at Shortroods Road, Paisley**

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## 1. Summary

1.1 A petition, comprising 15 signatures, has been received from Mr Haraburda on behalf of the residents of Shortroods Road (between Springbank Road and Fullerton Street) in the following terms:

"Install speed bumps on Shortroods Road. Residents at Shortroods Road (between Springbank Road and Fullerton Street) claim reckless drivers are putting lives at risk as well as causing a noise nuisance. Now the residents have handed over a petition with 15 signatures to Renfrewshire Council, Paisley, asking for speed bumps to be put in."

A letter providing further supporting information and a map are also appended to the report.

1.2 The Head of Amenity Services has intimated that this area of Paisley has been recently redeveloped with new housing and roads infrastructure. The new roads infrastructure includes speed humps and raised junctions throughout the development. There is a speed hump on Shortroods Road and then a series of raised junctions all of which have a red textured surface and new warning triangles. This road is also a bus route which would normally have speed cushions but in this instance has full width humps. The existing traffic calming is well designed and relatively new, there are no plans to alter this.

1.3 The petition is valid in terms of the Council's procedures for dealing with petitions and the principal petitioner, together with one supporter, has been invited to attend the meeting and they will be asked to make a statement, lasting no more than 10 minutes, in support of the petition.

1.4 The role of the Board is to consider the petition, hear and ask questions of the petitioner and take the appropriate action in respect of the

petition which will be one of the following: (a) that no action is taken, in which case the reasons will be specified and intimated to the petitioner; (b) that the petition be referred to the relevant director/and or policy board for further investigation, with or without any specific recommendation; or (c) refer the petition to another organisation if the petition relates to that organisation.

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## **2 Recommendations**

2.1 That the Board hear from the petitioner

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### **Implications of the Report**

1. **Financial** – none.
  2. **HR & Organisational Development** – none.
  3. **Community Planning** – none.
  4. **Legal** – none
  5. **Property/Assets** – none.
  6. **Information Technology** – none.
  7. **Equality & Human Rights** - The Recommendations contained within this report have been assessed in relation to their impact on equalities and human rights. No negative impacts on equality groups or potential for infringement of individuals' human rights have been identified arising from the recommendations contained in the report. If required following implementation, the actual impact of the recommendations and the mitigating actions will be reviewed and monitored, and the results of the assessment will be published on the Council's website.
  8. **Health & Safety** – none.
  9. **Procurement** – none.
  10. **Risk** – none.
  11. **Privacy Impact** – none.
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### **List of Background Papers – petition form**

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Re: ROAD SAFETY at Shortroods Road, Paisley

Date: 27/10/2015

Dear Sirs,

In connection to my recent phone call made on 27/10/2015, ref: **CR112735**, emails sent on 19/08/2015 and 21/09/2015 to your email address ([pt@renfrewshire.gov.uk](mailto:pt@renfrewshire.gov.uk)) and a phone call conversation with the traffic officer received on 27/10/2015 at 12:24pm from phone number: 07534084441. I enquired the local Police and ask for advice and help and I was advised to contact yourselves and emphasise the problem. I also spoke about the above problem with the St James' Primary School Head Teacher Ms Ferguson on 27/10/2015.

We are writing to request to urgently install speed bumps on our street – between Springbank Rd and Fullerton Street – as the traffic of all cars have become too dangerous and affects health and safety of our families as well as dramatically increased traffic noise level. We have become concerned and worried about these facts happening on our street.

The drivers drive their cars definitely too fast and drive recklessly and without any speed limit respect. The speed bumps installed at the beginning of Shortroods Road (from Springbank Rd) is not enough. The Shortroods Road has recently been re-surfaced and repaired by your contractors however the speed bump on the T junction of Galloway Avenue and Shortroods Road and cross road on Fullerton Street and Shortroods Road are too low to slow down the traffic so the drivers do not even try to slow down their cars and in consequence drive their cars along the Shortroods Road very fast and without any speed limit control.

The above problem also refers to Fullerton Street which is also left without any speed limit control. There are no speed bumps installed on Fullerton Street.

During rush hours between 8:45-9:15am and 15:00-15:30pm the school and nursery children cross Fullerton Street as well as there is an increased traffic left without any control which may cause a risk of dangerous accidents. There is an urgent need of traffic warden to be present between the above mentioned rush hours on Fullerton Street and Fullerton Street and Shortroods Road cross roads.

**The residents of Shortroods Road (between Springbank Rd and Fullerton Street):**

16. [REDACTED]

# Attachment 1

