

**Request by Member for Scrutiny Review
2013/14 Work Programme**



Please complete the form below to request consideration of your issue by the
Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Proposers Name: Cllr. Helen Kane	Date of Request 30/04/2013
Supporting Councillors (if any): Cllr. Antony Watts Cllr. Liz Webster	
Summary of Issue you wish to be scrutinised: UNAUTHORISED PARKING ON HOUSING-OWNED GRASSED VERGES DRAFT PARKING ENFORCEMENT POLICY	
NOTE: ENTRIES BELOW RELATE TO ISSUE CATEGORIES OF THE PICK PROCESS. PLEASE REFER TO THE EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THIS FORM FOR FURTHER INFORMATION	
Public Interest Justification: Considerable damage to grass and the "green" concept on which many residential areas were designed is gradually disappearing. The damage caused could pose safety hazards for users of the highway (e.g. deep rutting which could pose a hazard to pedestrians).	

Impact on the social, economic and environmental well-being of the area:

Parking on grass verges is a persistent problem as it can only reduce the verge to an unsightly state, but it can also obstruct the highway and prevent pedestrians and wheelchair users access the green.

It can also cause an accident as the drivers swerve at a speed in the presence of children who use the green.

Drivers parking on grass verge not only cause considerable damage but it must have considerable cost implications on repairs and maintenance of the grass.

Planting of small trees or bushes or even a type of fencing to prevent this and give a secure and aesthetically nice view of the estate will be a desirable solution.

A parking enforcement policy in place is an alternative solution

Council Performance in this area (if known: Red, Amber, Green):

Not known

Keep in Context (are other reviews taking place in this area?)

Last review was taken place in 2009 and in 2011

As far as I understand, there is no policy for verge protection work in place or parking enforcement policy in place either.

Office Use:	
Pick score:	Considered By OSCC: