Dear Resident / Occupier,

You may recall that the Council previously investigated and consulted on traffic calming proposals for the Burghley Road area in response to concerns over excessive traffic speeds and safety. Although there is strong support for the introduction of traffic management measures from residents of the area, the Council has so far not been able to agree suitable measures that satisfy the wishes of local residents.

It was therefore agreed that the Cabinet Member for Environmental, Sustainability and Regeneration would meet local ward members to develop and agree proposals that would meet the objectives of reducing excessive traffic speeds in Burghley Road and also address the safety concerns at the junction of Burghley Road/Church Road/St Mary’s Road. We now wish to consult you on a number of proposals before we consider how we can take this forward.

**PROPOSALS**

The proposals are listed below and shown on the plan overleaf:

- Raised speed table within the vicinity of 62 Burghley Road,
- Footway buildout and priority traffic flow system within the vicinity of 58 Burghley Road,
- Footway buildouts, speed cushions and priority traffic flow system within the vicinity of 35 Burghley Road,
- Raised junction speed table and footway buildouts at the junction of Burghley Road and Maryat Road,
- Raised speed table in Burghley Road at its junction with Church Road and replace the existing speed cushions in Church Road with a raised speed table. In addition, a traffic island is proposed in Church Road before its junction with St Mary’s Road.

**Advantages of traffic calming measures**

- Raised junction speed tables reduce traffic speeds and minimise the occurrence of collisions,
- Footway build out improves sightlines and safety for all road users,
- Raised speed tables and speed cushions are more acceptable to emergency services than standard humps,
- Improved uncontrolled crossing facilities for pedestrians, especially vulnerable road users such as those with disabilities and parents with children to cross the road.

**Disadvantages of traffic calming measures**

- Can be expensive to construct,
- Construction may cause temporary traffic disruption including temporary road / traffic lane closure,
- Speed cushions cannot be used to reduce speeds of larger vehicles such as heavy goods vehicles,
- Raised speed tables are not environmentally friendly.

**LET US KNOW YOUR VIEWS**

Please complete and return the enclosed prepaid questionnaire (no stamp required), with any further comments / suggestion by **16 July 2012**. Please note that late replies may not be included and only one questionnaire per household will be accepted. If you fill in the questionnaire, then please do not complete the online version.

The Council will use your response to determine level of support for the various proposals and provide statistical information to your ward councillors, Street Management Advisory Committee (SMAC) and the Cabinet Member for Environmental, Sustainability and Regeneration, who will then make a decision on