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LAYBYS ON MORTON.

Dear Mr Halstead,

At the City Council Budget Meeting on the 6th February, the Lib-Dem Group put an amendment for a sum of £60,000 to be allocated across the wards on a per capita basis, to be made available to Councillors. It was explained that it is intended to be used for small scale community schemes/issues or as a pump primer to kick start larger projects such as the need for Lay-bys on Morton. Additional funding would be sought from other sources on these larger projects.

This amendment was passed unanimously by Council on the 6th February, subsequently agreed by the Executive and then adopted by Full Council at the 23rd February meeting. Although protocols are still to be worked out between the three groups, all submissions are to be channelled through the Director of Community Services, and the Portfolio Holder.

It is against this background that I am requesting a contribution towards the Lay-by project above. This is backed by a petition signed by over 250 residents from the six roads on Morton which were identified to launch this project. These initial roads include;

Stonegarth
Castlerigg Drive
Glendale Rise,
Eashdall Road
Kentmere Grove,
Highfield Avenue

The two problems:

1. Vehicles parked on the narrower roads of the estate, restricts traffic to a single lane, often for the full length of the street or road. It is reasonable to assume that when the estate was built, car ownership was much less and this was not an issue at that time.
2. As a result of this, the grass verges get churned up by vehicles parking or passing and can become a quagmire, detracting from the appearance of the area, particularly in winter. Some areas of the estate are a real mess, such as Highfield Avenue.

Attached are photos to illustrate this.



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FUNDING

It is intended that a contribution will be made from the Morton Councillors' Ward Fund in accordance with the principles outlined above. On behalf of the Morton Councillors, I request that the Executive provide between £7-10,000 towards this project. It is intended that we will then seek matched funding from Carlisle Housing Association, and possibly the County Council. CHA are already aware of the background to this project.

Yours sincerely,



Cllr. Peter Farmer

MUTUALTION OF VERGES



OPTIONS FOR PARKING PROVISION

