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Dear

Petition – Parking and Bin Issues on Allan Road and Batsford Road

I refer to the above petition which you submitted to the Cabinet Member (City Services) meeting on Tuesday 8th November, 2011. Following the end of the call-in period, I write to confirm that at this meeting Councillor Harvard took account of the issues that you and the petition spokesperson raised regarding the request the installation of double yellow lines at the junction of Allan Road and Batsford Road; the collection of bins from the end of the driveways in Allen Road rather than at the junction with Batsford Road; and that parking enforcement be carried out at frequent intervals to deter individuals from blocking bin lorries or emergency vehicles.

In relation to the request for bins to be collected from the end of driveways, Councillor Harvard noted that residents had been presenting their bins at the collection point at the junction for many years. There were two factors which prevented the refuse vehicles from being turned into Allan Road – the width of the entry into the road and the available width of Batsford Road when vehicles were parked opposite Allan Road. The dimensions of the road made it difficult for a standard vehicle to manoeuvre into and out of the road, even without the presence of parked vehicles. As a consequence, Councillor Harvard decided that no changes should be made to the collection arrangements for the bins from households on Allan Road. In taking this decision he was mindful that there was a service for eligible residents to have their bin collected and returned to their property.

Regarding the request for double yellow lines to be installed at the junction of Allan Road and Batsford Road, Councillor Harvard was informed that the issue of vehicles parking close to the junction had been brought to the attention of West Midlands Police. They have



the power to issue fixed penalty notices to vehicles parked and causing an obstruction. He noted that the police had patrolled the area and had issued a letter to residents regarding parking. As there were no road safety or traffic congestion needs for any restrictions on Batsford Road, Councillor Harvard decided that no further action be taken in respect of this request for double yellow lines.

No doubt you will inform the petitioners accordingly. I am sending a copy of this letter to
for their information.

Should you require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me on the above telephone number.

Yours sincerely

Liz Knight
Governance Services Officer

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