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Dear

**Petition – Reduction in the Size of the Island in Heddle Grove Outside 49 to 53
Heddle Grove**

I refer to the above petition which you submitted to the Cabinet Member (City Services) meeting on Tuesday 13th December, 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 raised regarding the request to reduce the size of the island in Heddle Grove to enable a better flow of traffic.

Councillor Harvard was informed that the island in question was in the freehold ownership of Whitefriars Housing Group whilst the carriageway and footway were highway land. In order to widen the island it would be necessary for the City Council to enter into negotiations with Whitefriars for their agreement to a strip of the island to be adopted as highway and maintained in the future by the Council as Highway Authority. The Council would then be required to allocate the funding required for the work to convert this land to carriageway construction. The Cabinet Member noted that the funding would need to be found from the Highways Maintenance and Investment Capital programme and the request would need to be prioritised against other works throughout the city.

Councillor Harvard requested that the officers contact Whitefriars Housing Group informing them of the residents' request and ask that they cede the land for road widening. He proposed that they worked with Whitefriars to find a solution to the problem.

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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