

Petition presented by **Councillor Shafi Khan** on behalf of residents at the Council meeting on 26 June 2017

*"We the undersigned residents call upon the Council to allow Towndate Property Management (a residents' company comprising 12 households, responsible for the maintenance of the common parts of 16-18 Arnall's Road, SW16 3EP) to purchase the piece of land owned by the Council which reaches 5 metres inside the entrance to the private close. The houses in the close have no front gardens, and recently have been shown to be vulnerable to youths on mopeds, who have both committed and attempted theft, and have attacked a resident. At present it is not possible to attach gates to the brick pillars at the entrance to the close, because the land residents own starts 5m further into the close"*

### **Response from Councillor Simon Hall, Cabinet Member for Finance and Treasury**

Councillor Hall responded that officers had researched the matter and had found that the land in question was not owned by the Council. Officers would work with the management company to clarify the ownership of the land and confirm the process for acquiring the land.

Petition presented by **Councillor Vidhi Mohan** on behalf of residents at the Council meeting on 26 June 2017

*“We the undersigned, residents of Fellmongers Yard in Croydon, have very serious concerns around fly tipping, security and general cleanliness on our street. We therefore request Croydon council consider taking the following steps to help mitigate these concerns and issues:*

- 1. Install a security gate at the entrance of Fellmongers Yard, with access restricted to residents and emergency services only. Certain market traders on Surrey Streets will require day time access, and this can also be provided.*
- 2. Ensure that the Council’s plans for Sunday and night time trading on Surrey Street does not restrict access to those delivering goods, parcels and services to residents of Fellmongers Yard.*
- 3. Install public toilets on Surrey Streets, to prevent the pavements on Fellmongers Yard from being used as a public toilet, as is currently done.”*

## **Response from Councillor Mark Watson, Cabinet Member for Economy and Jobs**

Councillor Watson responded that the gate was part of the public highway and thus if it was stopped up the responsibility for the road would fall to the land owner and adjoining properties. A Public Space Protection Order (PSPO) had been considered by officers however the required level of evidence, coupled with the proportionality test, were unlikely to be met in this case. Regular patrols were taking place in the area and CCTV had been added, which had helped secure prosecutions of fly-tippers.

There had been six months of Sunday trading and no issues had been raised of it affecting deliveries to residents in the area. Residents had been informed of processes in place to ensure the smooth running of the area during Sunday trading.

There were numerous amenities with toilet facilities available on Surrey Street, including at the nearby Centrale shopping centre. There were also 24 hour toilet facilities in the vicinity at Queens Gardens. In addition, enforcement officers had been deployed at Surrey Street to discourage public urination at night-time.

Petition presented by **Councillor Joy Prince** on behalf of residents at the Council meeting on 26 June 2017

*"We, the petitioners below, call upon Croydon council to alter controlled parking hours so as to improve local residents' access to parking spaces in Bourne Street and Lower Church Street".*

### **Response from Councillor Stuart King, Cabinet Member for Transport and Environment**

Councillor King responded that it was recognised that there was a high demand for parking in the area due to the number of permit holders and limited number of bays on the roads. There was little scope for the introduction of additional bays however residents had access to the Jubilee Bridge car park where permits could be purchased. Officers would write to residents in the area to inform of the alternative arrangements at the Jubilee Bridge car park.