

**METROPOLITAN BOROUGH OF WIRRAL  
CABINET – 14<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2002**

**PROPOSED HIGHWAY CLOSURE – BYERLEY STREET, SEACOMBE  
(SEACOMBE WARD)  
SECTION 116 HIGHWAYS ACT 1980**

**1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

1.1 To request Members' approval to commence legal proceedings for the permanent closure of a section of adopted highway known as Byerley Street, Seacombe.

**2.0 BACKGROUND.**

2.1 Byerley Street is a short section of highway which was formerly part of housing estate which was demolished and redeveloped in the early 1980's.

2.2 The land to the east has also been cleared in recent years.

2.3 The section of Byerley Street which remains provides public access to the rear of nos. 145 – 153 via the footway on the westerly side, which will remain. The carriageway and easterly footway are no longer necessary.

**3.0 REPORT**

3.1 The vacant land adjacent to Byerley Street has recently been sold by the Council and the new owner, JET Building & Cleaning Services, wishes to incorporate the land shaded back on the attached plan within the curtilage of the site.

**4.0 FINANCIAL AND STAFFING IMPLICATIONS**

4.1 The closure will be carried out by existing staff as part of their normal duties. All legal and administration costs will be met by JET Building and Cleaning Services Limited. The closure of an area of highway reduces the Authority's potential maintenance liability.

**5.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS**

5.1 There are no specific ethnic minority, elderly persons or equal opportunities implications.

**6.0 PLANNING IMPLICATIONS**

6.1 There are no implications under this heading.

**7.0 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS**

7.1 There are no implications under this heading.

**8.0 HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS**

8.1 There are no specific human rights implications arising directly from this report.

**9.0 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS**

9.1 There are no implications under this heading.

## **10.0 ACCESS TO INFORMATION ACT**

10.1 A letter dated 17<sup>th</sup> September 2001 from JET Building and Cleaning Services Limited requesting the closure has been used in the preparation of this report.

## **11.0 LOCAL MEMBER SUPPORT IMPLICATIONS**

11.1 Seacombe Ward

## **12.0 RECOMMENDATIONS**

12.1 That approval be given for the commencement of the closure procedures under Section 116 of the Highways Act 1980.

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