

NORTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL

REPORT

To: HOUSING AND SOCIAL WORK SERVICES COMMITTEE	Subject: PETITION REQUESTING LANE CLOSURE IN AN AREA OF WISHAW	
From: HEAD OF HOUSING SERVICES		
Date: 20 AUGUST 2008	Ref:	

1. Purpose of Report / Introduction

- 1.1 A petition has been received from a number of residents requesting the closure of the lane leading from Miller St to Belhaven Rd adjacent to the new Tesco development.

2. Background

- 2.1 The lane connects Miller St and Belhaven Rd providing a link to the new Tesco store and the area below Wishaw train station.
- 2.2 Residents have complained about youths congregating in the area of the lane causing noise and nuisance.
- 2.3 The lane is bordered by a private development of owned and leased flats as well as the Tesco store.

3. Proposals / Considerations

- 3.1 Whilst residents have complained over the condition of the lane there have been few reports to Police or the Anti Social Task Force in relation to the area.
- 3.2 A number of residents are of the view that the lane is of benefit in providing access to the Tesco store. It also provides an access route from the lower section of the town, through Belhaven Street to the town centre.
- 3.3 On this basis it is not proposed to close the lane, however this will be subject to review and in the event of further problems arising, the possible closure will be referred to the Environmental Services Department for consideration of the statutory procedures necessary to progress this.
- 3.4 These procedures will include further consultation with residents.

4. Recommendations

It is recommended that the Committee:

- i. Note the consultation proposals and action outlined above.



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