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Highways Department (Streetpride)
 Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council,
 Riverside House,
 Main Street,
 Rotherham, S60 1AE.

2nd April, 2014.

Dear Sirs,

Re: Road fronting 6 Temple Crescent, Bramley, Rotherham.

I am writing to complain about the very poor state of repair of the road in front of my house, together with that of surrounding properties.

My road is on a small, private estate, and it has gradually got worse and worse over the years and there are now large areas where it has worn down to the hardcore underneath, and the area in front of my drive is particularly bad. It has been "bodged up" several times over the years but as soon as the bad weather comes the holes re-appear. I sent an email about this about a year ago and never got a response, and I made a telephone call some months ago to which I also never got a response – however a few days later a truck arrived and **some** of the holes were filled in again. I made a video of the men doing this and it literally took 5 minutes.

The properties on our road are in one of the higher council tax bands and yet we never see a gritter in winter and the road is terribly neglected. At the moment there are hundreds of little stones everywhere which have shot up from the road. They are not only on the side of the road itself but also all over the pavements and on our drives. Every Spring I sweep the area in front of my house to keep it clean and tidy, and my husband has to dispose of what is collected. However, there are so many loose stones there at the moment that I do not think I could even attempt to clear up this Spring. Temple Crescent consists of both houses and bungalows and the residents tend to be mainly middle-aged or elderly. These loose stones could prove dangerous to walk on and could result in an accident if someone was to slip on them whilst walking on the pavements. The holes in the road are also detrimental to our cars as we have to work our way over the lumps and bumps every time we pull on or off our drives.

I am now requesting that the road be totally re-surfaced.

I know that times are hard and council money is tight, but if my road was on a council estate I have no doubt that it would have been resurfaced ages ago. I have lived at my property for 26 years and I do not think it unreasonable to suggest that the time has come to renew its surface. Continually bodging up the holes is just throwing good money after bad and is not solving the problem. In fact if you add up what has been spent in doing this over the years I am sure resurfacing would ultimately have been the cheaper option.

I am enclosing a petition signed by the residents around and about me who are all in agreement with my request for our road to be resurfaced. Perhaps you could arrange for someone to come out and carry out a proper inspection to see just how bad the road is and how many potholes there are that keep re-appearing and constantly guzzle up the money on "quick fixes" instead of it being used to do a "proper job" which would then last for many years without needing further attention.

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I (we the residents) look forward to hearing from you as soon as possible on this matter and I would be grateful if you would kindly acknowledge receipt of this letter. Many thanks.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "S. E. Haith".

Sandra. E. Haith, (Mrs.)

6 Temple Crescent,
Bramley,
Rotherham,
South Yorkshire, S66 1UT.

Tel. 01709 530522

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PETITION IN SUPPORT OF ROTHERHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL RE-SURFACING THE ROAD ADJACENT TO THE PROPERTIES LISTED BELOW:

S. E. Heath	6	Temple Crescent
S B Heath	"	"
D. O'Grady	8	Temple Crescent
C. Ewidge	8	"
W.A. H	5	"
C. Wood	5	"
B G Davis	7	"
GRAMM BALL Ball	9	"
MART BALLmore	9 - 11	"
A. Hitchings	7 - "	"
S. D. D.	14	Temple Crescent
A	14	"
R.P.	14	"
S.H.P.	14	"
P. C. C.	12	"
A. Marsden	10	"
A. Marsden	10	"
M. Whitman H	1	"

