

Agenda Item 4



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Report of: Executive Director, Place
Report to: Cabinet member for Business, Skills & Development
Date of Decision: November 2016
Subject: Objections to Proposed Permit Parking Scheme on Drake House Lane West

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Purpose of Report:
This report describes the measures to provide a permit parking scheme for residents of Drake House Lane West and Lilac Road
It sets officers responses to 1 objection.

Recommendations:

Having considered the responses and objections to the proposed Traffic Regulation Order, it is recommended that the reasons set out in this report for making the Traffic Regulation Order outweigh any unresolved objection

Make the Traffic Regulation Order described in this report in accordance with the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984

Introduce the Traffic Regulation Order and associated traffic signing and road markings

Officers to be instructed to inform the objector of the decision.

Background Papers:

Appendix A Traffic Regulation Order Original Proposals Plan

Appendix B Traffic Regulation Order Final Proposals Plan

Lead Officer to complete:-		
1	I have consulted the relevant departments in respect of any relevant implications indicated on the Statutory and Council Policy Checklist, and comments have been incorporated / additional forms completed / EIA completed, where required.	Finance: Julie Currey
		Legal: Paul Bellingham
		Equalities: Annemarie Johnstone
<i>Legal, financial/commercial and equalities implications must be included within the report and the name of the officer consulted must be included above.</i>		
2	EMT member who approved submission:	Simon Green
3	Cabinet Member consulted:	Mahzer Iqbal
4	I confirm that all necessary approval has been obtained in respect of the implications indicated on the Statutory and Council Policy Checklist and that the report has been approved for submission to the Decision Maker by the EMT member indicated at 2. In addition, any additional forms have been completed and signed off as required at 1.	
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	Date: 31 st October 2016	

1. PROPOSAL

- 1.1 This report describes the measures to introduce a resident's only permit parking scheme on Drake House Lane West and Lilac Road.
- 1.2 It sets officers responses to one objection to the proposed residents permit parking scheme on Drake House Lane West.
- 1.3 Residents of Drake House Lane West lodged a complaint, with their local councillor, stating that following apparent changes to the staff parking arrangements at the nearby Crystal Peaks shopping centre, parking had increased on their road and was having a significant negative impact on their ability to park close to their own properties.
- 1.4 Similar concerns were raised on Sevenairs Road and At Any Time restrictions were introduced, funded from the, now defunct, Community Assembly.
- 1.5 A request was made for a resident's only parking scheme to be implemented on Drake House Lane West and Lilac Road and this was supported in principal by the Ward Councillors and the MP for Sheffield South East. There are already significant lengths of loading and waiting (double yellow line) restrictions already in place on Lilac Road, there is a risk that additional restriction could move the problem to adjacent unrestricted roads. This will be monitored using feedback from the local area.
- 1.6 Following investigation by officers, and discussions with residents and the local councillor a proposal incorporating residents only parking bays and waiting restrictions was submitted for public consultation.

2. HOW DOES THIS DECISION CONTRIBUTE ?

- 2.1 Parking for the nearby Crystal Peaks shopping centre appears to take place on Drake House Lane West and Lilac Road. This parking makes it difficult for residents to park near to their own properties.
- 2.2 Parking also takes place on both sides of Drake House Lane West which in parts is narrow. Parking on both sides of the road could restrict access for emergency service vehicles.
- 2.3 Implementation of a resident's only permit parking scheme will restrict parking to residents and visitors only. A small area of limited waiting parking bays will allow some additional non-residents parking during the weekday and additional waiting restrictions will reduce the likelihood of vehicles being parked on both sides of Drake House Lane West thereby maintaining emergency service vehicle access.

3. HAS THERE BEEN ANY CONSULTATION?

- 3.1 During July 2015 officers consulted properties on Drake House Lane West and Lilac Road and advertised the proposed Traffic Regulation Order. (Plan attached at Appendix A)
- 3.2 7 responses to the consultation were received. 3 of these responses were in support of the proposal. 5 of these were received as objections on the following grounds:

5 residents objected to the proposed residents parking bay across the frontages of no.'s 72 to 84 Drake House Lane West commenting that it could restrict access to the driveways of those properties.

4 residents also objected to the introduction of the proposed No Waiting at Any Time on the south side of Drake House Lane West and within the turning head on the grounds that it limited residents and visitor parking unnecessarily.

Officers response

- 3.3 The objections and comments were considered and a revised scheme was subsequently consulted on. This revised scheme removed the residents parking bay across the frontages of no.'s 72 to 84 Drake House Lane West and proposed a residents parking bay on the south side of Drake House Lane West.
- 3.4 The revised scheme was in general well received however it did attract an objection from South Yorkshire Fire Service on the grounds that parking on both sides of Drake House Lane West could restrict access for their appliances.
- 3.5 Officers upheld this objection by the Fire service and following some further discussions with local residents a final scheme was presented to residents for comment. (Attached at Appendix B)
- 3.6 6 responses to the final consultation were received. 5 of these responses were in support of the proposal. 1 of these was received as an objection on the following grounds:
- 3.7 1 resident objected to having to pay for parking on the street and didn't consider the parking problems to be sufficient to justify the proposals.

Officers response

- 3.8 The revised proposals are supported by a majority of residents and the objector does not object to the proposal itself, only to the need to purchase an annual permit.
- 3.9 It would appear that the objector is a tenant and that the landlord has offered to pay for the permit on the tenants behalf. However officers' attempts to contact the objector to ask for the objection to be withdrawn

have failed (emails returned as undeliverable). As such, this objection must be considered as remaining.

4. RISK ANALYSIS AND IMPLICATIONS OF THE DECISION

4.1 Equality of Opportunity Implications

4.1.1 An Equality Impact Assessment has been conducted and concludes that overall there are no significant impacts from this work.

4.2 Financial and Commercial Implications

4.2.1 The cost of the works and associated commuted sum for maintenance described in this report is approximately £8,000. It is proposed that the costs will be met from the 'Local network management' allocation from within the 2016/17 Local Transport Plan, but this is subject to approval through the council's capital gateway process. This scheme will honour an undertaking given to the Ward Councillors.

4.3 Legal Implications

4.3.1 The Council has the powers to make Traffic Regulation Orders (TRO) under Section 1 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 for reasons that include the avoidance of danger to people or traffic and for facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians). Before the Council can make a TRO, it must consult with relevant bodies in accordance with the Local Authorities' Traffic Orders (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulations 1996. It must also publish notice of its intention in a local newspaper. These requirements have all been complied with and whilst there is no requirement for public consultation this has been undertaken and the Council should consider and respond to any lawful public objections received as a result.

5. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

5.1 Alternative waiting restrictions were considered. However these did not have as positive an impact on the problems as identified by the residents.

6. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

6.1 The residents parking scheme and associated waiting restrictions will improve parking availability for residents and their visitors while maintaining access for emergency services.

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