

# Southend-on-Sea Borough Council

Agenda  
Item No.

**12**

Report of Corporate Director for Place  
To  
**Traffic & Parking Working Party & Cabinet  
Committee**  
On  
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## **Shoebury High Street, Waiting Restrictions**

**Executive Councillor: Councillor Terry**

***A Part 1 Public Agenda Item***

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### **1. Purpose of Report**

- 1.1 To advise Members of a petition received from residents of High Street following the advertisement and subsequent agreement to implement a waiting restriction in High Street to assist with bus movements.

### **2. Recommendation**

**That the Traffic & Parking Working Party and Cabinet Committee:**

- (i) Note the petition ; and,**
- (ii) Instruct officers to continue with the implementation of waiting restrictions to assist with bus movements in High Street Shoebury; and,**
- (iii) Monitor the impact and consider whether any reductions in time or length can be made to the waiting restrictions to lessen the impact while accommodating bus movements; and**
- (iv) If reductions are possible, to advertise any amendments.**

### **3. Background**

- 3.1 A Members request to consider waiting restrictions in High Street Shoebury was agreed by this committee in January 2014 and the proposals advertised in accordance with the statutory requirements.
- 3.2 During the advertisement period, four objections were received and reported to this committee in September 2014. Members considered the objections and decided to proceed with the implementation of waiting restrictions on one side of the street to assist bus movements.
- 3.3 Following this decision, a ward Councillor requested that further consideration be given to the matter as further objections and a petition had been received objecting to the proposal.

- 3.4 The Portfolio Holder agreed to postpone the implementation and requested that officers submit a further report to this committee.
- 3.5 Officers confirm that the statutory consultation was fully undertaken and that the matter is subject to a committee decision and should therefore be implemented.
- 3.6 All Traffic Regulation Orders are subject to monitoring following implementation and in the event that the monitoring results indicate further amendments can be undertaken without affecting the bus movements.

#### **4. Other Options**

- 4.1 Take no action. This option would not improve bus movements.

#### **5. Reasons for Recommendations**

- 5.1 To comply with a previous committee decision to improve traffic flow for buses.

#### **6. Corporate Implications**

##### *6.1 Contribution to Council's Vision & Corporate Priorities*

- 6.1.1 Local Transport and Implementation Plan, Safe and Prosperous.

##### *6.2 Financial Implications*

- 6.2.1 If approved, any works will be met through existing budgets.

##### *6.3 Legal Implications*

- 6.3.1 None, the statutory consultation has been completed.

##### *6.4 People Implications*

- 6.4.1 All necessary works will be undertaken by existing staff.

##### *6.5 Property Implications*

- 6.5.1 None.

##### *6.6 Consultation*

- 6.6.1 The recommendation is to implement a waiting restriction which has been subject to the statutory consultation process.

##### *6.7 Equalities and Diversity Implications*

- 6.7.1 The prioritisation of the Traffic & Parking Working Party's programme is on the basis of improving safety, reducing accidents or improving traffic flows. The objectives of improving safety takes account of all users of the public highway including those with disabilities.

##### *6.8 Risk Assessment*

- 6.8.1 None.

##### *6.9 Value for Money*

- 6.9.1 The recommendation is considered to give the best value for money considering the Council's limited resources.

6.10 *Community Safety Implications*

6.10.1 The prioritisation of the Councils' Working Party's programme is on the basis of reducing accidents or improving traffic flows and takes into account the implications for community safety.

6.11 *Environmental Impact*

6.11.1 All schemes are designed to improve quality of local environment

**7. Background Papers**

7.1 None

**8. Appendices**

8.1 None.