

Southend-on-Sea Borough Council

Agenda
Item No.

Report of Corporate of Place
To
**Traffic & Parking Working Party & Cabinet
Committee**
On
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**Petition Requesting Amendment to Existing Parking Controls
Shaftesbury Avenue
Executive Councillor: Councillor Tony Cox
*A Part 1 Public Agenda Item***

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 To advise Members of a petition signed by 28 residents of Shaftesbury Avenue requesting amendments to the existing parking restrictions.

2. Recommendation

That the Traffic & Parking Working Party and Cabinet Committee:

- a) **Note the petition and thank the residents for taking the time to compile the petition; and agree to;**
- b) **Agree to advertise the proposal to remove the existing alternate month parking restriction which will increase parking availability;**
- d) **Further agree that in the event that no objections are received to the proposal, the Traffic Regulation Order be confirmed. Any objections will of course be referred to this Committee for consideration.**

3. Background

- 3.2 The section of Shaftesbury Avenue between Liftstan Way and Warwick Road is subject to a parking restriction which prohibits parking on alternate sides of the road depending on the calendar month.
- 3.2 The road is fairly narrow with widths varying between 7.0 metres and 7.3 metres however unrestricted roads in the area are of a similar width and no issues have been identified with access for larger vehicles.
- 3.3 The area is subject to high parking demands and the removal of the restrictions will increase parking availability.

4. Other Options

- 4.1 Take no further action. The Council is required to consider petitions related to parking controls and where additional on street parking can be created; it is prudent to advertise the proposals and assess any feedback.

5. Reasons for Recommendations

- 5.1 To increase parking provision.

6. Corporate Implications

6.1 Contribution to Council's Vision & Corporate Priorities.

- 6.1.1 The road is not a major route and generally subject to local and residential traffic only. The proposals will likely reduce vehicle speeds as the road will be visually narrowed contributing to a safe Southend.

6.2 Financial Implications

- 6.2.1 Any costs are met through existing budgets.

6.3 Legal Implications

- 6.3.1 The statutory consultation will be undertaken prior to any further action.

6.4 People Implications

- 6.4.1 None.

6.5 Property Implications

- 6.5.1 None.

6.6 Consultation

- 6.6.1 Traffic Regulation Orders are subject to statutory consultation requirements.

6.7 Equalities and Diversity Implications

- 6.7.1 Waiting restrictions are amended to manage parking, reduce accidents and/or improve traffic flows. The objectives of managing parking and improving safety takes account of all users of the public highway including those with disabilities and childcare responsibilities.

6.8 Risk Assessment

- 6.8.1 None.

6.9 Value for Money

6.9.1 N/A.

6.10 *Community Safety Implications*

6.10.1 None. However, the removal of the existing waiting restrictions are proposed to increase parking which in turn reduces the likelihood of neighbourhood disputes.

6.11 *Environmental Impact*

6.11.1 None.

7. Background Papers

7.1 None.

8. Appendices

There are no appendices.