

Southend-on-Sea Borough Council

Agenda
Item No.

Report of Deputy Chief Executive (Place)
to
**Traffic and Parking Working Party and
Cabinet Committee**
on
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Objections to Traffic Regulation Orders – Various Locations

Executive Councillor: Cllr Tony Cox

A Part 1 Public Agenda Item

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 For the Traffic and Parking Working Party and the Cabinet Committee to consider details of the objections to advertised Traffic Regulation Orders in respect of various proposals across the borough.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 **That the Traffic and Parking Working Party consider the objections to the proposed Orders and recommend to the Cabinet Committee to:**

- (a) Implement the proposals without amendment; or,
(b) Implement the proposals with amendment; or,
(c) Take no further action

- 2.2 **That the Cabinet Committee consider the views of the Traffic and Parking Working Party, following consideration of the representations received and agree the appropriate course of action.**

3. Background

- 3.1 The Cabinet Committee periodically agrees to advertise proposals to implement waiting restrictions in various areas as a result of requests from Councillors and members of the public based upon an assessment against the Council's current policies.

- 3.2 The proposals shown on the attached **Appendix 1** were advertised through the local press and notices were displayed at appropriate locations informing residents and businesses of the proposals and inviting them to make representations in respect of the proposals. This process has resulted in the objections detailed in **Appendix 1** of this report. Officers have considered these objections and where possible tried to resolve them. Observations are provided to assist Members in their considerations and in making an informed decision.

4. Reasons for Recommendations

- 4.1 The proposals aim to improve the operation of the existing parking controls to contribute to highway safety and to reduce congestion.

5. Corporate Implications

5.1 Contribution to Council's Vision & Corporate Priorities.

- 5.1.1 Ensuring parking and traffic is managed while maintaining adequate access for emergency vehicles and general traffic flow. This is consistent with the Council's Vision and Corporate Priorities of Safe, Prosperous and Healthy.

5.2 Financial Implications

- 5.2.1 Costs for confirmation of the Order and amendments, in **Appendix 1**, if approved, can be met from existing budgets.

5.3 Legal Implications

- 5.3.1 The formal statutory consultative process has been completed in accordance with the requirements of the legislation.

5.4 People Implications

- 5.4.1 Works required to implement the agreed schemes will be undertaken by existing staff resources.

5.5 Property Implications

- 5.5.1 None

5.6 Consultation

- 5.6.1 This report provides details of the outcome of the statutory consultation process.

5.7 Equalities and Diversity Implications

- 5.7.1 Any implications will be taken into account in designing the schemes.

5.8 Risk Assessment

- 5.8.1 The proposals are designed to improve the operation of the parking scheme while maintaining highway safety and traffic flow and as such, are likely to have a positive impact.

5.9 Value for Money

- 5.9.1 Works associated with the schemes listed in **Appendix 1** will be undertaken by the Council's term contractors, selected through a competitive tendering process to ensure value for money.

5.10 Community Safety Implications

5.10.1 The proposals in **Appendix 1** if implemented will lead to improved community safety.

5.11 Environmental Impact

5.11.1 There is no significant environmental impact as a result of introducing the Traffic Regulation Orders.

6. Background Papers

6.1 None

7. Appendices

7.1 **Appendix 1** - Details of representations received and Officer Observations.

**Appendix 1 Details of representations received and Officer Observations
relating to the Report on Traffic Regulation Orders**

Road	Proposed By	Proposal	Comments	Officer Comment
Western Road Junction with Theobalds Road	Resident	Reduce existing waiting restrictions (removal of double yellow lines) including opposite the junction.	<p>2 letters of objection received.</p> <p>One property is supportive of the proposal however the adjoining properties have objected to the proposal based on the loss of visibility when leaving the property and all day parking by vehicles.</p>	<p>The proposal is to increase parking availability and of the properties directly affected, 2 residents are opposed to the proposal therefore it is recommended to take no further action.</p> <p>As the existing restrictions are in excess of guidance and the distance which would be proposed for a junction, recommended to proceed with proposal.</p>
Western Road between Harley Street and Canvey Road		Reduce existing waiting restrictions	<p>The proposal is to reduce the existing waiting restrictions while maintaining an adequate level of junction protection.</p> <p>One property is supportive of the proposal however the adjoining properties have objected to the proposal based on the loss of visibility when leaving the property and all day parking by vehicles.</p>	<p>The proposal is to increase parking availability and of the properties directly affected, 2 residents are opposed to the proposal with 1 resident in favour, it is not possible to all residents needs due to the position of the properties therefore it is recommended to take no further action.</p> <p>As the existing restrictions are in excess of guidance and the distance which would be proposed for a junction, recommended to proceed with proposal.</p>