

Southend-on-Sea Borough Council

Agenda
Item No.

Report of Deputy Chief Executive (Place)
To
**Traffic & Parking Working Party & Cabinet
Committee**
On
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**Petition Requesting Permit Parking Controls
Roots Hall 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 16 residents of Roots Hall Avenue requesting Permit Parking Controls to deter non-resident parking.

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) **Advertise a proposal to introduce a Permit Parking Area in Roots Hall Avenue and review all existing waiting restrictions in the street. The operational hours of the scheme to be decided by discussion with residents.**
- 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

- 3.1 Roots Hall Avenue is a cul-de-sac, which is subject to a parking restriction prohibition parking at any time on one side of the street due to its narrow width. The opposing side of the street remains unrestricted. The residential properties have no private frontages and residents rely on parking availability on street.
- 3.2 Roots Hall Avenue is sited off of West Street, which is subject to parking controls prohibiting parking at any time with a small area of limited waiting parking fronting the shops on the south side of the street. West Road commences further westwards and is subject to a parking prohibition at any time from West Street to Shakespeare Drive.

- 3.2 The road nearest to Roots Hall Avenue is Colchester Road, this road is part of a Residents Parking Scheme with a small number of parking bays subject to a limited waiting period. Roots Hall Drive is situated further westwards and is subject to a parking prohibition operational at all times due to the narrow road width.
- 3.2 The Policy related to permit parking controls states that individual streets should not be considered for such parking controls due to the likelihood of parking being displaced to nearby roads, however due to existing parking controls, this is extremely unlikely.
- 3.3 The road features 26 residential addresses, 16 signatories represents 61% of the residents therefore meeting the response and support criteria set out in the Policy which requires 40% of residents respond to any consultation and of 70% of those responding express support for parking controls.
- 3.4 The location and extent of existing parking controls in the area provide the opportunity to consider Roots Hall Avenue as an exception to the current Policy as displaced parking is highly unlikely to result from permit parking controls being introduced.

4. Other Options

- 4.1 Take no further action. The Council is required to consider petitions related to parking controls and success from other permit parking style controls demonstrates that we can improve the parking situation for residents by introducing controls.

5. Reasons for Recommendations

- 5.1 To manage parking.

6. Corporate Implications

- 6.1 *Contribution to Council's Vision & Corporate Priorities.*

Managing parking leads to a safer environment contributing to a Safe Southend.

- 6.2 *Financial Implications*

Any costs are met through existing budgets.

- 6.3 *Legal Implications*

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

- 6.4 *People Implications*

None.

6.5 *Property Implications*

None.

6.6 *Consultation*

Traffic Regulation Orders are subject to statutory consultation requirements.

6.7 *Equalities and Diversity Implications*

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*

None.

6.9 *Value for Money*

N/A

6.10 *Community Safety Implications*

None.

6.11 *Environmental Impact*

None

7. Background Papers

None

8. Appendices

None.