

# Southend-on-Sea Borough Council

Agenda  
Item No.

Report of Corporate Director for Place  
to  
**Traffic & Parking Working Party and  
Cabinet Committee**  
on  
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**Requests for New or Amended Waiting Restrictions**  
**Portfolio Holder – Councillor Tony Cox**  
***A Part 1 Public Agenda Item***

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**1. Purpose of Report**

- 1.1 For the Traffic and Parking Working Party and the Cabinet Committee to authorise the advertisement of the amendments and/or new restrictions in accordance with the statutory processes.

**2. Recommendation**

**2.1. That the Traffic and Parking Working Party and the Cabinet Committee:-**

- a) Consider the requests to advertise the requisite Traffic Regulation Orders as shown in appendix 1;**
- b) If approved, further agree that in the event of there being no objections to the proposals, the Traffic Regulation Order be confirmed;**
- c) Note that all unresolved objections will be referred to the Traffic and Parking Working Party for consideration.**

**3. Background**

- 3.1 Requests for new or amendments to existing waiting restrictions are regularly received from residents and the businesses.
- 3.2 All requests are assessed and investigated against the agreed criteria contained in Appendix 1 to this report which was approved by the Traffic and Parking Working Party and the Cabinet Committee at their meeting in July 2011.

**4. Other Options**

- 4.1 Each request needs to be considered on its individual merits and their impact on public safety, traffic flows or parking and wider impact on the surrounding network. Members may consider taking no further action if they feel it is appropriate.

## **5. Reasons for Recommendations**

- 5.1 Where recommended the objective is to mitigate for likelihood of traffic flows being impeded, to improve safety or increase parking availability.

## **6. Corporate Implications**

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

- 6.1.1 Ensure the highway network is effectively managed contributing to a Safe and Prosperous Southend.

### *6.2 Financial Implications*

- 6.2.1 Where recommended, the source of funding and other financial implications are highlighted as appropriate.

### *6.3 Legal Implications*

- 6.3.1 The formal statutory consultative process will be completed in accordance with the requirements of the legislation where applicable.

### *6.4 People Implications*

- 6.4.1 Staff time will be prioritised as needed to investigate, organise the advertisement procedures and monitor the progress of the proposals based on the committee priorities.

### *6.5 Property Implications*

- 6.5.1 None

### *6.6 Consultation*

- 6.6.1 Formal consultation will be undertaken including advertisement of the proposal in the local press and on the street as appropriate

### *6.7 Equalities and Diversity Implications*

- 6.7.1 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 Neutral

### *6.9 Value for Money*

- 6.9.1 All works resulting from the scheme design are to be undertaken by term contractors appointed through a competitive tendering process.

### *6.10 Community Safety Implications*

- 6.10.1 All proposals are designed to maximise community safety through design, implementation and monitoring.

### *6.11 Environmental Impact*

- 6.11.1 All proposals are designed and implemented to ensure relevant environmental benefits are attained through the use of appropriate materials and electrical equipment to save energy and contribute towards the Carbon Reduction targets where appropriate.

## **7. Background papers**

Nil

## **8. Appendices**

### Appendix 1 – List of requests and comments

## APPENDIX 1 – WAITING RESTRICTIONS REQUESTS

### AGREED CRITERIA FOR WAITING RESTRICTIONS( JULY 2011)

- (a) Such restrictions may only be considered along roads with road classification including and above local distributor routes, as defined in Appendix 2 of the report (as taken from the Local Transport Plan);
- (b) There is demonstrable evidence through accident analysis that there have been at least 3 personal injury accidents during the last three years resulting from adverse and/or indiscriminate parking in the vicinity.
- (c) Waiting and loading restrictions may not be introduced in isolated residential streets unless there are pedestrian and traffic safety issues demonstrated through the accident statistics (as in (b) above).
- (d) Where high traffic volume and flow is affected by parked vehicles.
- (e) The location is a junction.

Location	Request Details	Requested By	Criteria Points	Officer comments
Cossington Road	Reduce existing waiting protection on unctions with Canewdon Road	Resident	NA	No safety concerns identified. <b>Recommend to proceed with advertisement</b>
Cumberland Avenue/West bury Road	Provide waiting restrictions	Resident	E	While this is a junction, it is a right angle bend where two roads meet therefore traditional requirements for visibility not fully required. In addition, there is a concern that removing parking from the bend will encourage drivers to negotiate the bend at inappropriate speeds – monitoring indicates current arrangements force lower speeds (officer observations at the location). No accidents recorded since 2000, <b>Recommend no further action.</b>

Kingsway and Silversea Drive	Provide junction protection	Resident	E	<b>Recommend to proceed with advertisement</b>
Blenheim Park Close and Mountdale Gardens	Provide junction protection	Resident	E	<b>Recommend to proceed with advertisement</b>
Leigh Road	Remove redundant school keep clear marking	Officers	NA	<b>Recommend to proceed with advertisement</b>
Lucy Road	Provide loading bay	Rossis	NA	No safety reason identified. <b>Recommend proceed with advertisement</b>
Chalkwell Avenue/ The Ridgeway	Extend existing junction protection.	Officers	A and D	Parked vehicles impede traffic flow – signal junction separated into 2 lanes for southbound and eastbound traffic. Vehicles heading northbound from The Ridgeway are often delayed by narrow lane between parked vehicles and queuing traffic. <b>Recommend to proceed with advertisement</b>
Southchurch Road	Loading area adjacent to Surbiton Avenue	Residents	NA	Length of road dedicated for loading remains little used throughout the day. Possible to divide into sections of parking and loading facility. <b>Recommend to proceed with advertisement</b>

Western Approaches	Propose waiting restrictions Western Approaches near to proposed zebra crossing and junction with The Bentleys	Officers	D and E	Parking near to relocated bus facility is impeding access for buses, improved visibility for junction. (funding from Better Bus Project) <b>Recommend to proceed with advertisement</b>
Western Approaches	Propose zebra crossing near to Surgery	Officers	NA	Better Bus Project funding – bus facilities recently upgraded and crossing requested, funding will meet the request. <b>Recommend to proceed with advertisement</b>
Manners Way	Extend existing waiting restrictions, Warners Gardens and Alton Gardens	Officers	E	Parking is impeding visibility, road slightly bends at this location meaning the required visibility splay is greater than currently provided. Previously not an issue as parking generally light however long term parking is now occurring. <b>Recommend to proceed with advertisement</b>

Hadleigh Road	Amend existing School Keep Clear Marking, St Michaels school	School and officers	NA	Officers are working with the school to improve sustainable journeys and avoid congestion around the school during peak periods. Various actions are ongoing and this includes the reduction of the marking to ensure children are crossing at the designated crossing point. The current length of the marking appears to encourage crossing at other points. <b>Recommend to proceed with advertisement</b>
Station Road	Install zebra crossing by Cliffs Pavilion	Officers	NA	Funding via Better Bus capital project. Crossing will facilitate easier access to public transport facilities <b>Recommend to proceed with advertisement</b>
The Maze	Propose waiting restrictions at the junction with Rayleigh Road	Residents	E	Current parking at the junction can be obstructive <b>Recommend to proceed with advertisement</b>
Belton Way	Install zebra crossing by Leigh Railway Station	Officers	NA	Funding via Better Bus capital project. Crossing will facilitate easier access to public transport facilities <b>Recommend to proceed with advertisement</b>

Toldeo Road j/w Hillcrest Road	Parking around junction impeding vehicle movements	Police	E	Narrow road and inconsiderate all day parking is blocking access. <b>Recommend to proceed with advertisement</b>
Queensway and London Road	Cycle network improvements resulting in shared footway/cycle path	Officers	NA	The project will improve existing cycle facilities from Victoria Gateway westwards to the existing facilities ending at Brighton Road. A Plan will be available at the meeting. Funding provided through the Local Sustainable Transport Fund. <b>Recommend to proceed with Notice to convert footways to shared pedestrian and cycle use.</b>
London Road	From Gordon Road westwards to Milton Road, on the south side  Segregated cycle route finished in contrasting surface material.	Officers	NA	The project will improve existing cycle faculties. Funding provided through the Local Sustainable Transport Fund.  <b>Recommend to proceed with Notice to create cycle path.</b>
Boston Avenue	Relocate existing parking bays from slip road and replace at southern end of Boston Avenue. Revoke existing one-way traffic flow.	Officers	NA	No loss of parking provision. Closure of the current exit arrangements will allow for the creation of amenity space in the form of a pocket park. Funding provided by the Local Sustainable Transport Fund. <b>Recommend to proceed with Notice to create cycle path and revoke existing one- way TRO.</b>



Royston Avenue	Minor alteration to waiting restrictions to accommodate bus movements	Officers	D	<p>Improvements to the bus route planned as part of Better Bus Project.</p> <p><b>Recommend to proceed with advertisement when plans finalized.</b></p>
Blenheim Chase	Harden verge to create cycle track from Old Vienna to Flemming Avenue and create shared area for cycles/pedestrian use Eastwood Road to Woodland Centre	Officers	NA	<p>Project will improve pedestrian and cycle access to new Woodland Centre</p> <p><b>Recommend to proceed with Notice to create cycle path and shared footway</b></p>