

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

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. However at the meeting on 2nd January 2014, the Committee agreed to report such requests twice a year. Officers are taking this opportunity to report these in March in order that these can be added to the work programme for the financial year 2014/15.

- 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 will be from allocated budgets, where funding is provided from alternative budgets, this is 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
Shaftesbury Avenue	Provide limited waiting bay.	Business	NA	No safety concerns identified. Recommend to proceed with advertisement.
Dalmatia Road/Riviera Drive	Provide waiting restrictions.	Residents	E	Area is currently unprotected with limited visibility. Recommend to proceed with advertisement.
Shakespeare Drive	Reduce waiting restrictions.	Residents	NA	Area of restrictions currently protecting access to football stadium for emergencies. Approximately 30m length which can be reduced without compromising access. Recommend to proceed with advertisement.

Location	Request Details	Requested By	Criteria Points	Officer comments
Wilson Road	Reduce waiting restrictions at junctions.	Residents	NA	Junctions currently subject to waiting restrictions ranging from 15 to 20 meters. Can be reduced without compromising safety. Recommend to proceed with advertisement.
Shirley Road and Oakwood Avenue	Provide waiting restrictions at junction.	Residents	E	Junction currently unprotected. Recommend to proceed with advertisement.
Southchurch Road	Amend one limited waiting bay to Disabled Parking outside 693.	Business	NA	Mobility shop newly opened and large numbers of their customers are disabled. Recommend to proceed with advertisement.
Hornby Avenue	Remove one school keep clear marking.	Residents	NA	School has amended entry arrangements and the marking is over a vehicle/service access and therefore not required. Recommend to proceed with advertisement.
Westcliff Parade	Restrict parking during the daytime year round.	Residents	NA	Road currently unrestricted during winter months which does cause congestion. Recommend to proceed with advertisement.
Christchurch Road	Remove/reduce restrictions opposite junctions.	Residents	NA	To be investigated to ensure larger vehicles not impeded. Recommend to proceed with advertisement if traffic flow not affected.

Location	Request Details	Requested By	Criteria Points	Officer comments
Elm Road Caulfield Road	Install pedestrian crossings near to roundabout.	Students Debate at High School Shoeburyness	NA	The students work is very encouraging and needs to be welcomed and acknowledged. They have worked exceptionally hard on this project and secured funding in the sum of £40k from Road safety Foundation. It is recommended that officers undertake necessary investigations to identify suitable crossing locations and proceed with advertisement.
Herbert Road	Provide waiting restrictions at junctions with Connaught Gardens and Tudor Gardens.	Residents	E	Junctions currently unprotected. Recommend to proceed with advertisement.
Herschell Road	Provide waiting restrictions 7am to 7pm.	Members	D	Proposal discussed with residents. New proposal will attract objection. Suggest issue discussed and considered for appropriate action which meets the needs of all road users.