

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
Place Scrutiny Committee – Executive Councillor: 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 businesses within the borough.
- 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 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 is from previously agreed budgets. Where funding is from other sources, this is stated.

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
School Way	Propose School Keep Clear Marking	School	NA	The marking is provided at school entrances and exits to maintain clear crossing areas for pedestrians at peak school travel times. Recommend to proceed with advertisement
Ringwood Drive and Belgrave Road	Provide waiting restrictions at and opposite the junction.	Officers	E	Significant damage has occurred to the verge area of the junction which appears to be caused by larger vehicles attempting to access the junction with parked vehicles impeding the movement. Waiting restriction will maintain a clear area around the junction preventing further damage. Recommend to proceed with advertisement

Location	Request Details	Requested By	Criteria Points	Officer comments
Olivia Drive	Provide limited waiting area to accommodate customers of businesses on London Road	Business	NA	<p>Area currently subject to a 24 hour waiting restriction. For expediency, this request has been presented for consideration prior to any investigation.</p> <p>Recommend to proceed to advertisement if the investigation results in no safety or traffic flow concerns.</p>