Southend-on-Sea Borough Council

Report of Chief Executive & Town Clerk or Corporate Director of [Department] to

Traffic and Parking Working Party and Cabinet Committee

on 12th February 2009

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Agenda Item No.

Objections to Traffic Regulation Orders – Various Locations
Executive Councillor: Councillor Mrs Waite

A Part 1Public Agenda Item

1. Purpose of Report

For the Traffic and Parking Working Party and Cabinet Committee to consider objections to advertised Traffic Regulation Orders and make an appropriate decision.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 That the Traffic and Parking Working Party consider the objections and agree to the recommendations set out in Appendix 1 of the report to make the Orders as advertised, make the Orders with the detailed amendments so as to lessen the effect of the Order or to take no further action.
- 2.2 That the Cabinet Committee consider the views of the Traffic and Parking Working Party and authorise the Chief Executive to make the Orders as advertised, make the Orders as amended or take no further action

3. Background

3.1 Officers have for some time been compiling requests from Ward Members and from residents regarding new waiting restrictions and amendments to existing waiting restrictions. Where new or amended restrictions were considered beneficial, the required statutory advertisement procedure has been undertaken and resulted in objections. These objections have been summarised in Appendix 1 to the report with a recommendation for consideration.

4. Other Options

4.1 No action on requests received. This option is not viable, all locations raised as a concern are inspected by Officers to provide a professional opinion as to any perceived safety or traffic flow concern. Where the concern is supported,

proposals to restrict parking are instigated. Where Officers do not agree that a perceived safety or traffic flow problem exists, no further action is taken.

5. Reasons for Recommendations

5.1 To improve road safety and traffic flow at the various locations detailed

6. Corporate Implications

6.1 Contribution to Council's Vision & Corporate Priorities

The majority of the proposals are based on a reduction of potential traffic hazards therefore resulting in safer roads.

6.2 Financial Implications

Traffic Regulation Orders require formal advertisement which has been undertaken and funded, if recommendations are agreed, the resulting cost to the Council will be approximately £1000.00 to implement the required lining works.

6.3 Legal Implications

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

6.4 People Implications

Staff time of approximately 8 hours will be required to organise and monitor the required works

6.5 Property Implications

None

6.6 Consultation

Formal consultation has been undertaken including advertisement of the proposal in the local press and on the street. In addition, all residents likely to be affected by the proposals received a letter and plan explaining the proposals in detail.

7. Appendices

Appendix 1 – Details of Objections and Officers Recommendations.

Appendix 2 – Plans detailing Original proposals/Amended Proposals

NB a file containing all letters received is available in the Members Room for perusal

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