

Southend-on-Sea Borough Council

Report of Corporate Director of Enterprise, Tourism and
the Environment

to

**Traffic and Parking Working Party and
The Cabinet Committee**

on

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**Agenda
Item No.**

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**Traffic Regulation Orders – Requests for New or Amended Restrictions in Alexandra
Street, Southend
Portfolio Holder – Cllr Cox
A Part 1 Public Agenda Item**

1. Purpose of Report

For the Traffic and Parking Working Party and the Cabinet Committee to consider a request to remove a maximum of 4 parking bays in Alexandra Street outside of the proposed learning disability day centre (currently the South Essex Homes offices) and replace the bays with a bus stand operational during the opening hours of the day centre

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 That the Traffic and Parking Working Party note the proposals.
- 2.2 That the Cabinet Committee approves the advertisement of the removal of the parking bays at the location detailed above and further agree that in the event of there being no unresolved objections to the proposals, the Traffic Regulation Order be confirmed and a dedicated bus stand. Any unresolved objections will be referred to a future meeting of the Traffic & Parking Working Party and Cabinet Committee for consideration.

3. Background

- 3.1 South Essex Homes are relocating and a new day centre is being created for our residents with learning disabilities. The services will be accessed by some clients via our own transport service and parking close to the entrance is vital for those who have mobility difficulties and rely on our transport.
- 3.2 It is requested that the existing parking bays be removed and replaced with a Bus Stand to facilitate access.

3.3 We have recently improved the layout of the parking bays in Alexandra Street resulting in an additional 3 bays being provided, this proposal will therefore result in a net loss of 1 parking space.

4. Other Options

4.1 Members of the Traffic and Parking Working Party & Cabinet Committee may also consider that the proposals as advertised should be implemented with amendments or they may recommend not to implement the proposals at all.

5. Reasons for Recommendations

5.1 To improve access to a council service for those with mobility impairment and other specialist needs

6. Corporate Implications

6.1 Contribution to Council's Vision & Corporate Priorities

6.1.1 The proposal is based on the provision of facilities to enable clients to easily access our services resulting in an excellent Southend.

6.2 Financial Implications

6.2.1 Traffic Regulation Orders require formal advertisement which has to be undertaken and will be funded by Adult and Social Care as part of the development costs.

6.3 Legal Implications

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

6.4 People Implications

6.4.1 Staff time as required to organise and monitor the progress of the proposals.

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.

6.7 Equalities and Diversity Implications

6.7.1 None.

6.8 Risk Assessment

6.8.1 The proposals are designed to improve highway safety and so have a positive risk assessment.

6.9 Value for Money

6.9.1 The proposals offer value for money and will be carried out by contractors procured to provide such.

6.10 Community Safety Implications

6.10.1 None.

6.11 Environmental Impact

6.11.1 Neutral.

7. Background Papers

7.1 None

8 Appendices

Appendix 1 – Plan of locations affected by the proposals