

Southend-on-Sea Borough Council

Agenda
Item No.

Report of Corporate Director of Place
to
**Traffic and Parking Working Party and
Cabinet Committee**

on
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Objections to Traffic Regulation Orders – Various Areas

Executive Councillor: Cllr 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 consider details of the objections to the advertised Traffic Regulation Orders for proposed waiting restrictions at various sites and decide on action.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 **That the Traffic and Parking Working Party consider the objections to the proposed Orders and recommend to the Cabinet Committee to:**

**(a) Implement the proposals without amendment; or,
(b) Implement the proposals with amendment; or,
(c) Take no further action**

- 2.2 **That the Cabinet Committee consider the views of the Traffic and Parking Working Party, following consideration of the representations received and agree the appropriate course of action.**

3. Background

- 3.1 The Cabinet Committee periodically agrees to advertise proposals to implement waiting restrictions in various areas as a result of requests from Councillors and members of the public based upon an assessment against the Council's current policies.

- 3.2 The proposals shown on the attached Appendix 1 were advertised through the local press and notices were displayed at appropriate locations informing residents and businesses of the proposals and inviting them to make representations in respect of the proposals. This process has resulted in the objections detailed in Appendix 1 of this report. Officers have considered these objections and where possible tried to resolve these and observations are provided to assist Members in their considerations and in making an informed decision.

4. Reasons for Recommendations

- 4.1 All proposals were advertised with an aim to improve highway safety and to reduce congestion, which were the concerns and considerations leading to the proposals.

5. Corporate Implications

5.1 Contribution to Council's Vision & Corporate Priorities.

- 5.1.1 Ensuring parking and traffic is managed while maintaining adequate access for emergency vehicles and general traffic flow. This is consistent with the Council's Vision and Corporate Priorities of Safe, Prosperous and Healthy.

5.2 Financial Implications

- 5.2.1 Costs for confirmation of the Order and amendments, in Appendix 1, if approved, can be met from existing budgets.

5.3 Legal Implications

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

5.4 People Implications

- 5.4.1 Works required to implement the agreed schemes will be undertaken by existing staff resources.

5.5 Property Implications

- 5.5.1 None

5.6 Consultation

- 5.6.1 This report provides details of the outcome of the statutory consultation process.

5.7 Equalities and Diversity Implications

- 5.7.1 Any implications will be taken into account in designing the schemes.

5.8 Risk Assessment

- 5.8.1 The proposals are designed to improve highway safety. As such are likely to have a positive impact.

5.9 Value for Money

- 5.9.1 Works associated with the schemes listed in Appendix 1 will be undertaken by the Council's term contractors, selected through a competitive tendering process to ensure value for money.

5.10 Community Safety Implications

- 5.10.1 The schemes in Appendix 1 if implemented will lead to improved community safety.

5.11 Environmental Impact

- 5.11.1 Neutral.

6. Background Papers

6.1 None

7. Appendices

Appendix 1 - Details of representations received and Officer Observations.

**Appendix 1 Details of representations received and Officer Observations
relating to the Report on Traffic Regulation Orders - Objections
(Various Areas)- 31/10/2013**

Road	Proposed By	Proposal	Comments	Officer Comment
Victoria Parking Scheme	Officers	Coleman Street. Amend 12 existing residents bays to business bays.	Loss of residents parking bays	Recommend to not proceed with the proposal
Victoria Parking Scheme	Officers	Coleman Street. Amend 7 existing residents bays to limited waiting bays for customer parking.	One objection received. Monitoring shows the bays are under used during the daytime, amendment will provide short term parking for local businesses. Amendment maintains 54 residents parking bays in a street with approx 40 properties.	Recommend proceed with amendment.
Springfield Drive	Officers	Install road hump	One objection received- will impede traffic include ambulances	Recommend proceed with proposal. While no accidents have occurred, speed monitoring shows that in excess of 25% of vehicles travel over 30mph. Could be funded through capital if resources allow. and the works If implemented these will reduce speed. The ambulance services have been consulted and no comments have been received.