Southend-on-Sea Borough Council

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 – Milton Parking Management Schemes 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 Order for amendments to the Milton Parking Management Scheme.
- 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, observations are provided to assist Members in their considerations and in making an informed decision.

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4. Reasons for Recommendations

4.1 The proposals aim to improve the operation of the existing parking controls to contribute to highway safety and to reduce congestion.

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 the operation of the parking scheme while maintaining highway safety and traffic flow and 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 proposals in Appendix 1 if implemented will lead to improved community safety.

5.11 Environmental Impact

5.11.1 Neutral.

Background Papers None 6.

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Appendices 7.

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			

Road	Proposed By	Proposal	Comments	Officer Comment
Hamlet Road	Local residents	General amendments to parking scheme	Would be helpful to allow parking on both sides of the dead end in Hamlet Road	This has been considered however there is insufficient carriageway width to accommodate parking on both sides. This opinion was endorsed by the fire service in June 1012. Recommend suggestion not pursued
Park Street	Local residents	Increase parking bays	To remove two business space on one side of the road and reposition these on the side where the rest of the parking bays are where driveways are unused.	Officers have written to a number of properties with driveways asking whether there is an intention to use the driveways. One resident responded in the negative and a bay is being installed. All other properties have frontages meeting the minimum measurements for driveways and if they choose to park on the road, we have no powers to prevent this. Recommend proceed with proposal
Queens Road	Local Residents/Businesses	Install two loading bays and five permit holder bays	Five comments. Three comments in support of loading facilities but objecting to permit holder bays. Two further comments, one objecting to permit holder bays and a further comment objecting to the entire proposal.	Loading facilities are needed however the permit holder bays could be maintained as shared permit holder/pay and display bays to meet the need of the businesses. Recommend proceed with loading bays and propose shared use permit holder/pay and display bays.
Napier Avenue	Local Resident	Incorporate Napier Avenue	One comment received welcoming the amendment	Recommend proceed with proposal.

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Elmer Avenue	Local Resident	Incorporate Elmer Avenue within parking scheme area	One comment objecting to shared use, permit holder or pay and display parking in Napier Avenue	This proposal was discussed by the Traffic and Parking Working Party in October 2013 and decided to proceed with shared use parking bays. Recommend proceed with proposals