

Southend-on-Sea Borough Council

Agenda
Item No.

Report of Corporate Director for Place
to
**Traffic and Parking Working Party and
Cabinet Committee**
on
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Objections to Traffic Regulation Orders – Various Locations

Executive Councillor: Cllr Terry

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 advertised Traffic Regulation Orders in respect of various proposals across the borough.

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 considers the views of the Traffic and Parking Working Party, following consideration of the representations received and agrees 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 them. Observations are provided to assist Members in their considerations and in making an informed decision.

4. Reasons for Recommendations

- 4.1 The proposals where recommended 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 added to the existing workload based on agreed priorities and 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 traffic/ 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.

6. Background Papers

6.1 None

7. Appendices

7.1 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
Windermere Road	Cllr Jones	Amend traffic flow to one-way eastwards	2 letters received expressing concern and suggesting the one way traffic flow is implemented in part of the road only. There are over 80 properties along this road.	The proposal has not attracted much support through letters or other contact... Part implementation of one way suggested by 2 responses at this stage would require full re-advertisement which cannot be justified based on the limited response. Recommend no further action.
Delaware Crescent	Cllr Moyies	Amend traffic flow to one way clockwise	1 letter expressing concern at proposed direction of travel due to reduced visibility, safety and loss of parking	Ward Councillor canvassed residents and found support for the proposal with a significant majority in favour of a clockwise direction. Visibility is not considered a major risk as traffic will only be travelling in one direction. The street is used by school children to access the footpath to Ness Road however this can be accessed by using the outside footway and does not involve any engagement with moving traffic. There are no proposals to amend existing parking restrictions which consists of junction protection only. Recommend proceed with proposal.

Road	Proposed By	Proposal	Comments	Officer Comment
Cleveland Drive	Cllr Morgan	Introduce part week restrictions Mon-Fri 8am-6pm on one side of the street	5 letters received. Comments include not required, will increase parking over driveways and up to entrance to driveways. Waste of money. Difficult enough to park in road with school and hospital visitors parking. Would like residents parking. Put on other side of road as will be better for residents. Letter of support stating that because of problems it will help ease the parking and access problems	Residents have previously signed petition requesting restrictions via ward Member. Item has been debated and deferred on two occasions. Ward Councillor to report on discussions with local school as to any measures the school are able to introduce which may assist Members to consider this item further. Any new proposals would require re advertisement.