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SOUTHEND-ON-SEA BOROUGH COUNCIL

Traffic Regulations Working Party

Date: Thursday, 6th June, 2019

Time: 6.00 pm

Place: Committee Room 1 - Civic Suite

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SOUTHEND-ON-SEA BOROUGH COUNCIL

Meeting of Traffic Regulations Working Party

Date: Thursday, 7th March, 2019
Place: Committee Room 1 - Civic Suite

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Present: Councillor A Moring (Chair)
Councillors T Cox (Vice-Chair), H Boyd*, A Dear, D Garne,
H McDonald, P Van Looy and C Willis
*Substitute in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 31.

In Attendance: C Hindle-Terry, N Hunwicks, B Frost, D Caldwell and T Row

Start/End Time: 6.00 pm - 7.00 pm

1 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Flewitt (Substitute: Councillor Boyd).

2 Declarations of Interest

The following interests were declared at the meeting:

(a) Councillor Cox – Agenda Item No. 4 (Objections to Traffic Regulation Orders – Wells Avenue) – Non-pecuniary interest: Works for Redbridge Council which was mentioned during the debate;

(b) Councillor Van Looy – Agenda Item No. 4(Objections to Traffic Regulation Orders – Wick Chase) – Non-pecuniary interest: Lives near the road;

(c) Councillor Van Looy – Agenda Item No. 5 (Requests for Waiting Restrictions – Sutton Road) – Non-pecuniary interest: Daughter lives in the road: and

(d) Councillor Van Looy – Agenda Item No. 5 (Requests for Waiting Restrictions – Gunners Road) – Non-pecuniary interest: Resident in street is known to him.

3 Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday, 7th January 2019

Resolved:-

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday, 7th January, 2019 be received and confirmed as a correct record.

4 Objections to Traffic Regulation Orders

The Working Party received a report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) concerning the representations that had been received in response to the statutory consultation for proposed Traffic Regulation Orders in respect of various proposals across the Borough. These included:

- (a) the introduction of a Residents' Permit Parking Scheme in Wells Avenue;
- (b) the introduction of a Residents' Permit Parking Scheme in the Rochford Road Service Roads; and
- (c) the introduction of no waiting at any time restrictions at the junction of Wick Chase and Glynde Way.

The report also sought an appropriate recommendation to the Cabinet Committee on the way forward in respect of these proposals, after having considered all of the representations that had been received in writing and at the meeting. Large scale plans of the proposals were displayed at the meeting.

Resolved:

That Cabinet Committee be recommended:

1. That the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) be authorised to confirm the Southend-on-Sea Borough Council (Wells Avenue Residents Permit Parking Scheme) (Zone WA) (Provision of Residents Permit Parking Places) Order 2019, subject to the following amendment and to arrange for the amended traffic regulation order to be sealed and the proposals implemented:

Schedule 4 – Prescribed hours of operation to be reduced from 24 hours daily to 09.00 hrs to 17.00 hrs daily.

2. That the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) be authorised to confirm the Southend-on-Sea Borough Council (Rochford Road Service Roads Residents Permit Parking Scheme) (Zone RR) (Provision of Residents Permit Parking Places and Disabled Parking Bays) Order 2019, subject to the following amendment and to arrange for the amended traffic regulation order to be sealed and the proposals implemented:

Schedule 5 – Prescribed hours of operation to be reduced from 24 hours daily to 09.00 hrs to 17.00 hrs daily.

3. That the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) be authorised to confirm Southend-on-Sea Borough Council (Various Roads) (Stopping, Waiting, Loading and Unloading Prohibitions and Restrictions, Parking Places and Permit Parking Zones) (Consolidation) Order 2016 (Amendment No. 16) Order 2018, subject to the following amendment and to arrange for the amended traffic regulation order to be sealed and the proposals implemented:

Reduce no waiting at any time restrictions in Wick Chase on both sides from its junction with Steyning Avenue northwards to 10 metres and on the west side from its junction with Steyning Avenue southwards to 10 metres.

5 Requests for Waiting Restrictions

The Working Party received a report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) that sought approval to authorise the advertisement of the amendments and/or new waiting restrictions at the locations indicated in Appendix 1 to the submitted report, in accordance with the statutory processes and, subject to there being no

objections received following statutory advertisement, to arrange for the relevant orders to be sealed and implement the proposals.

Resolved:

That the Cabinet Committee be recommended to authorise the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) to publish the relevant statutory notice and undertake the necessary consultation for a traffic regulation order(s) for the following requests and, subject to there being no objections received following statutory advertisement, to arrange for the order to be sealed and the proposals implemented:

- (i) the introduction of permit parking controls in the service road owned by South Essex Homes between East Street and Sutton Road;
- (ii) the removal of the alternate month waiting restrictions in Osborne Road, Windsor Road and Albion Road;
- (iii) the amendment of the existing waiting limit in the car park at Eastwood Park to maximum stay 3 hours no return in 4 hours;
- (iv) the introduction of no waiting at any time on the west side of Gunners Road, the precise location and extent of which to be determined by officer in consultation with the Ward Councillors;
- (v) the relocation of the school keep clear markings in Ladram Road; and
- (vi) the revocation and removal of the school keep clear markings in Burr Hill Chase.

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Southend-on-Sea Borough Council

Report of Deputy Chief Executive (Place)

to
**Traffic Regulation Working Party
and Cabinet Committee**

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on
6th June 2019

Report prepared by Sharon Harrington,
Interim Group Manager Highways & Traffic Network

Objections to Traffic Regulation Orders

**Cabinet Member : Councillor Buck
Part 1 Public Agenda Item**

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 For the Traffic Regulation 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 Regulation 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 Regulation 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 them. Observations are provided to assist Members in their considerations and in making an informed decision.

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 the Southend 2050 Road Map.

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 There is no significant environmental impact as a result of introducing the Traffic Regulation Orders.

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
Arnold Avenue	Councillor/ Officers	Shared Residents 9am-9pm daily and Pay & Display/Phone Parking 9am-4pm daily	5 letters of objection received main concerns raised include; not fair on residents; awful idea hard enough parking near to house; was unhappy when first introduced; not sure how many more parking spaces the Council think will generate more revenue; spaces are much needed by residents; withdraw this proposal to reserve bays for residents parking; there are only 8 spaces for 10 properties so will not be able to find space to park during summer season already a problem during the hours of the scheme; not needed with nearby parking in Gas Works Car park, more flats being built which will mean more residents parking required; will become a battle zone; forcing residents to park elsewhere which will cause stress on other streets; elderly and relies on car being outside property; if others are allowed to park on any sunny day the roads in the area would be congested	This parking management scheme was introduced due to residents of the area being unable to park near their homes during summer months. The bays are regularly used during the day time by residents and pay and display parking would undoubtedly reduce the available space for residents parking during the day. Recommend no further action
Beresford Road	Councillor/ Officers	Shared Residents 9am-9pm daily and Pay & Display/Phone Parking 9am-4pm daily	5 letters of objection received and 1 letter with a petition signed by 13 residents objecting to the proposals main comments include: Going ahead with this allowing anyone to park makes no point having residents parking; at weekends there is little space for the pay and display parking due to residents being at home. Will there be a reduction in the parking fee? Will visitors still have use permits? Reasons for the residents parking is the same as when the scheme first went in; if residents go out they will not be able to park when they come back; smacks of the Council endeavouring to make money at the expense of local resident; there are other car parks nearby; fed up as visitors park in the area now without any permits and it is not enforce; lack of thought; if introduced will take residents money but render permits useless; where will residents park when full of visitors; betrayal of residents is disgusting; nothing more than a money scam at residents expense; use the gas works site for cars and coaches; duty of the council to look after welfare of local people not outsiders; carers will not be able to park before 9am in the mornings	This parking management scheme was introduced due to residents of the area being unable to park near their homes during summer months. The bays are regularly used during the day time by residents and pay and display parking would undoubtedly reduce the available space for residents parking during the day. Recommend no further action

Burnaby Road	Councillor /Officers	Shared Residents 9am-9pm daily and Pay & Display/Phone Parking 9am-4pm daily	1 letter of objection received main points raised include: already lack of residents spaces; not in the interest of residents more to make money; cannot park in the road will limit spaces by at least half and then could become an issue in getting space in general; has a blue badge will this be valid in pay and display area? What are the reasons why this is proposed	This parking management scheme was introduced due to residents of the area being unable to park near their homes during summer months. The bays are regularly used during the day time by residents and pay and display parking would undoubtedly reduce the available space for residents parking during the day. Recommend no further action
Arnold Avenue; Beach Road; Beresford Road; Burdett Road and Burnaby Road	Councillor/ Officers	Shared Residents 9am-9pm daily and Pay & Display/Phone Parking 9am-4pm daily	1 letter containing a petition with 79 signatures main points raised include: Any conceivable advantage such as increase in parking and extra revenue is far outweighed by the negative impact on the local community; there are many occasions when it is impossible to find a parking space within a reasonable distance of the homes; young people and the elderly will struggle; poor condition of roads compared to other areas give the impression community are overlooked; the state of the roads will only get worse with increased traffic; there is a large car park nearby which should be used; considerable risk to children due to cars speeding in area; extra traffic will create extra pollution making it detrimental to residents health and safety; must remain a residential area, will likely see increased littering and antisocial behaviour in what is a peaceful residents location	This parking management scheme was introduced due to residents of the area being unable to park near their homes during summer months. The bays are regularly used during the day time by residents and pay and display parking would undoubtedly reduce the available space for residents parking during the day. Recommend no further action
Kursaal Way/ Beresford Road	Councillor /Officers	Shared Residents 9am-9pm daily Pay & Display/Phone Parking 9am-4pm daily and No waiting at Any time	1 letter of objection received main points raised include: proposal is absolutely disgusting and how greedy the council is; bad enough paying for residents permits now having to suffer to make space for visitors to the town; putting spaces along Kursaal Way is madness – just encouraging traffic into a residential housing estate will encourage parking under the blocks of flats will cause nothing but chaos.	Kursaal Way is a one-way estate road running from Beresford Road to Arnold Avenue and is not currently within the parking management scheme area. Recommendation No further action

<p>Hadleigh Road</p>	<p>Councillor</p>	<p>The introduction of series of speed cushions along Hadleigh Road</p>	<p>2 letters of objection, 11 letters of support and 1 letter agreeing something needs to be done but has strong concerns about speed cushions.</p> <p>Objection concerns include; Hadleigh Road is a distributor used by Buses, large vehicles and emergency vehicles. Vehicles will be pushed on to alternative unsuitable side roads. There is also concern regarding vibration, pollution and noise associated with the speed cushions.</p> <p>Support letter comments include. Understand full width humps cannot be used as it is a bus routes. A request for full width humps. Would like scheme extended in to Western Road. Would like a crossing by the school. Would like a 20mph Zone across Leigh.</p>	<p>The proposals were requested from the Ward Councillors to reduce traffic speeds in this section of the road. There is a likelihood is that it will force traffic onto other neighbouring roads leading to complaints and or requests for other roads to have similar restrictions.</p> <p>The Committee's views are sought on whether to proceed with this proposal</p>
<p>Centurion Close</p>	<p>Officer/Bus Company</p>	<p>To introduce No Waiting at Any Time</p>	<p>19 letters of objection received: main point raised include: The adjacent car parking area has been taken away for development and there is limited space available nearby to drop off and pick up their children from the nearby junior school; it will encourage drivers to park indiscriminately to the detriment of safety for the children and parents crossing the road.</p>	<p>This prohibition was advertised following requests from the bus operators who are experiencing difficulties when exiting the bus turning area.</p> <p>Recommend proceed with proposals as advertised</p>
<p>Wells Avenue & Rochford Road Service Road</p>	<p>Councillor</p>	<p>The introduction of Residents Permit Parking Schemes</p>	<p>At the meeting of the Traffic Regulation Working Party/Cabinet Committee on 7th March 2019 it was agreed that the scheme times should be amended to 9am – 5pm daily (Minute 764 refers).</p> <p>However, a member is of the view that the intent of the meeting was for weekdays only and that this is what the residents wanted and was agreed.</p>	<p>The Committee are therefore requested to clarify the agreed times and days for the scheme</p>

Southend-on-Sea Borough Council

Agenda
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Report of Deputy Chief Executive (Place)
to
**Traffic Regulations Working Party and Cabinet
Committee**
on
6th June 2019

Report prepared by: Sharon Harrington,
Interim Group Manager Highways & Traffic Network

Requests for Waiting Restrictions

**Cabinet Member: Councillor Buck
Part 1 Public Agenda Item**

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 For the Traffic Regulations Working Party and the Cabinet Committee to authorise the advertisement of the amendments and/or new restrictions/traffic Regulation Orders in accordance with the statutory processes.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1. **That the Traffic Regulations Working Party and the Cabinet Committee:-**
- a) **Consider the requests to advertise the requisite Traffic Regulation Orders as shown in appendix 1;**
 - b) **If approved, further agree that in the event of there being no objections to the proposals, the proposal will be added to the existing work programme and the Traffic Regulation Order be confirmed;**
 - c) **Note that all unresolved objections will be referred to the Traffic Regulations Working Party for consideration.**

3. Background

- 3.1 Requests for new or amendments to existing waiting or traffic restrictions are regularly received from residents and the businesses as well as officer and Member suggestions.
- 3.2 All requests are assessed and investigated against the policy criterion agreed criteria by the Cabinet Committee in November 2018.

4. Other Options

- 4.1 Each request needs to be considered on its individual merits and their impact on public safety, traffic flows or parking and wider impact on the surrounding network. Members may consider taking no further action if they feel it is appropriate.

5. Reasons for Recommendations

- 5.1 Where recommended the objective is to mitigate for likelihood of traffic flows being impeded, to improve safety or increase parking availability.

6. Corporate Implications

- 6.1 Contribution to the Southend 2050 Road Map

- 6.1.1 Ensure the highway network is effectively managed contributing to a Safe and Prosperous Southend.

6.2 Financial Implications

- 6.2.1 Where recommended, the source of funding will be from allocated budgets, where funding is provided from alternative budgets, this is highlighted as appropriate.

6.3 Legal Implications

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

6.4 People Implications

- 6.4.1 Staff time will be prioritised as needed to investigate, organise the advertisement procedures and monitor the progress of the proposals based on the committee priorities.

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 as appropriate.

6.7 Equalities and Diversity Implications

- 6.7.1 The objectives of improving safety takes account of all users of the public highway including those with disabilities.

6.8 *Risk Assessment*

6.8.1 Neutral.

6.9 *Value for Money*

6.9.1 All works resulting from the scheme design are to be undertaken by term contractors appointed through a competitive tendering process.

6.10 *Community Safety Implications*

6.10.1 All proposals are designed to maximise community safety through design, implementation and monitoring.

6.11 *Environmental Impact*

6.11.1 All proposals are designed and implemented to ensure relevant environmental benefits are attained through the use of appropriate materials and electrical equipment to save energy and contribute towards the Carbon Reduction targets where appropriate.

7. Background papers

None

8. Appendices

Appendix 1 – List of requests and comments

APPENDIX 1 – TRO CHANGES/WAITING RESTRICTIONS REQUESTS

Location	Request Details	Requested By	Relevant Criteria Points	Officer comments
Snakes Lane	Double yellow lines on bend	Residents/ Officer	(ii)	<p>Due to additional vehicles parking on the bend outside properties, visibility is limited as vehicles have to go into the on-coming traffic lane to pass</p> <p>Recommend to advertise proposals for double yellow lines</p>
Shorefield Road	Increase limited waiting from 1 hour to 2 hours	Officer/ Restaurants	N/A	<p>By increasing the times to 2 hours no return in 4 hours it will encourage the use of nearby businesses but makes enforcement at this location prohibitive</p> <p>Recommend to advertise proposals</p>
Eastwood Park car park	<p>Amend existing waiting limit</p> <p>Current Restrictions are</p> <p><i>Maximum stay 1 hour return prohibited within 3 hours</i></p> <p><i>1st May to 1st September 7.30 am to 10.00 am</i></p>	Officers	N/A	<p>To accommodate park users while continuing to deter all day parking, it has been requested to amend the current waiting limit to the following</p> <p><i>1st May to 30th September</i> <i>7.30 am to 10.00 am</i> <i>Maximum stay 1 hour return prohibited within 3 hours</i></p> <p><i>1st October to 30th April</i> <i>7.30 am to 5.00 pm</i> <i>Maximum stay 3 hours return prohibited within 4 hours</i></p> <p>This was reported to a previous meeting and the committee resolved to introduce 3 hours no return in 4 hours for the whole year however a further request has been made by the Parks Department to agree to the times stated above, as the agreed restrictions would not support the bowls club members.</p> <p>Taking this into consideration it is Recommend to advertise proposals.as originally requested</p>
Victoria Avenue Service Road	Officer	Introduction of a shared loading and parking bay outside No. 47	N/A	<p>As part of the planning permission for 47 Victoria Avenue, it was agreed that a shared loading/parking bay be installed on the service road fronting Victoria Avenue and that as part of the permission the costs would be met from the applicant which have now been paid.</p> <p>Recommendation to advertise proposals as requested.</p>

<p>Royston Avenue junction with Eastern Avenue Service Road and Eastern Avenue</p>	<p>Councillor</p>	<p>Reduction of yellow lines</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>In 2017 the Department following concerns from a Ward Councillor and the school investigated the parking problems at the junction which resulted in the advertisement and installation of double yellow lines.</p> <p>The Royston Avenue / Eastern Avenue Service Road and Eastern Avenue Service Road / A1159 Eastern Avenue. Has a low level of parking outside of school times. During school times the majority of available on street parking space is full</p> <p>This was implemented in December 2017 at a cost to the Department of approx. £4000.00.</p> <p>Requests have now been received from other Ward Councillors to reduce the double yellow lines to allow for additional parking.</p> <p>Recommendation:</p> <p>No further action – the scheme is deemed safe with no reports of any incidents or issues since implementation to consider changing</p>
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Report of Deputy Chief Executive (Place)

to

**Traffic Regulation Working Party
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6th June 2019

Report prepared by Sharon Harrington,
Interim Group Manager Highways & Traffic Network

Petition requesting the installation of a footpath in Prittlewell Chase

**Cabinet Member : Councillor Buck
Part 1 Public Agenda Item**

1. Purpose of Report

An information item to advise Councillors of the receipt of 54 petitions containing 83 signatures requesting for a footpath across the grassed central reservation in Prittlewell Chase, between the junction of Eastbourne Grove on the eastbound side of Prittlewell Chase and the bus stop on the westbound side

2. Recommendation

That the Traffic Regulations Working Party and Cabinet Committee:

- a) Note the petition;
- b) Agree to investigate the request and report the findings to a future meeting of this Committee.

3. Background

3.1 The petition was referred to this Committee by the Council at its meeting on Thursday, 17th April 2019 (Minute 876 refers).

3.2 An investigation could not be completed prior to this meeting and the matter will be added to the work programme for consideration. When complete, a report will be submitted to a future meeting for the recommendations to be considered by the Working Party and Cabinet Committee

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