

# Southend-on-Sea Borough Council

Agenda  
Item No.

Report of Deputy Chief Executive (Place)  
to  
**Traffic and Parking Working Party and Cabinet  
Committee**  
on  
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## Objections to Traffic Regulation Orders

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

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### **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 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 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 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 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.

Road	Proposed By	Proposal	Comments	Officer Comment
Southchurch Boulevard	Members	Introduce Limited Waiting 3 Hrs No Return in 4 Hrs	1 letter of objection received from the bridge club asking that the waiting time is increased to 4 hours as many of the members are over 80- years of age and a typical game lasts 3 ½ hrs and would result in them being unable to park outside the hall	<p>The proposal was requested to deter all day parking and accommodating the users of a nearby facility will not detract from this purpose. The proposal would require re-advertisement if Members wish to accede to the objectors suggestion.</p> <p><b>Recommend to re-advertise amended proposal allowing parking for up to 4 hours.</b></p>
St Lukes Road	Officer	Introduce No Waiting at Any Time in St Lukes Rd at its junct with Ely Road	<b>1 letter of objection received</b> – would not be able to park in front of property (though proposals are opposite the property); For many years the road has been fine as it is; would also mean neighbours would no longer be able to park in front of their properties; would not be enhancing but causing disruption to the people who reside in the area; If have to park elsewhere would cause friction with others	<p>St Lukes Road is now one-way eastwards and vehicles require visibility of oncoming traffic. The proposal formalises guidance within the Highway Code to not park within 10 metres of a junction.</p> <p><b>Recommend to proceed with advertised proposals.</b></p>
Eastwood Road North	Member	Introduce No Waiting at Any Time In Eastwood Rd North 15 & 12m either side of junction with Kenholme	<p><b>2 letters of objection and 1 letter of support received.</b> Letter of support thinks it's an excellent idea</p> <p><b>2 letters of objection</b> – has not seen it as an issue turning in and out of Kenholme; thinks lengths proposed are excessive 2m would be ok; will force cars to other side of road which will make passing more difficult especially for buses; has never seen problems at this junction;</p>	<p>The proposal is designed to provide adequate visibility for vehicles exiting Kenholme.</p> <p><b>Recommend to proceed with an amended proposal of 10 metres of junction protection along Eastwood Road North and 5 metres in Kenholme.</b></p>
Riviera Drive	Member	Introduce No Waiting 11.00 am – 12.00 pm on south side between No. 76 and 8m west of junction with Dalmatia Rd	<b>1 letter of objection received</b> – not allowing parking for one hour a day is beyond ridiculous; are residents going to be issued with parking permits to negate the issue	<p>While the proposal is designed to deter all day parking in these newly created parking bays, residents will no longer be able to benefit from parking unless they are able to move their vehicle during the prohibited time.</p> <p><b>Recommend no further action.</b></p>

Road	Proposed By	Proposal	Comments	Officer Comment
Hartington Road Area Parking Management Scheme	Member	Waiting Restrictions, Parking Places & Permit Parking Zone	<p><b>1 letter of objection 31 letters of support</b></p> <p><b>Letter of objection</b> – feels that the criteria for a scheme needs amending as only 40% voted for the proposal; small guest house with no off street parking as criteria changed for crossover so has to park on road and walk supplies in; would not get a residents permit as not actual residence and would place business in jeopardy; Area is designated as “seafront visitor area” and supported by council rather than to discourage; why are smaller guest houses penalised against a larger guest houses, the criteria should be changed so it is resident and/or owner can apply for permits</p> <p><b>Letters of support</b> – needs to be sorted out especially since Seaway is going; welcome residents parking as carer/friends will be able to park; residents parking is needed as cannot park when coming home from work; will relieve the parking problems; please proceed with this; totally in favour; Definitely need Pleasant Road included in the scheme to allow residents to park; needed as surround areas have permit parking; glad we are introducing scheme; please fix the problems by introducing the scheme; full and total agreement to the scheme; highly in favour; will have a huge positive impact on lives; will make life so much easier;</p>	<p>The permit parking proposal resulted from a successful survey undertaken by the ward Member and residents demonstrating the required levels of support for controls to be proposed.</p> <p>While the comments from the objector are understood, this is a primarily residential area where the majority of residents have to rely on parking on the street as little off street parking potential is available. Any owner occupiers of guest houses in the streets will be eligible for resident permits and for non-resident owners, a business permit could be purchased to enable parking.</p> <p>The proposal does include a small area of shared permit and pay and display parking and the introduction of the scheme will coincide with an additional 20 pay and display bays being provided in Lucy Road within the former taxi rank with this area reverting to a taxi rank late at night when the area is busy due to the proximity of the clubs in this street.</p> <p><b>Given the levels of support expressed, recommend to proceed with the advertised proposal.</b></p>
Station Road Westcliff-on-Sea	Officer	Introduce Limited Waiting 1 Hr No Return in 4 Hrs	<p><b>3 letters received 1 support –since the Cliffs scheme came in there has been a downturn in business, so this proposal will help the shops in the vicinity of the proposed bay.</b></p> <p><b>2 objection – lives above shops and uses the bay for parking as there is no other parking area available.</b></p>	<p>The proposal is designed to provide customer parking. both objectors are eligible for permits in the scheme should they wish to apply.</p> <p><b>Recommend to proceed with advertised proposal.</b></p>

Road	Proposed By	Proposal	Comments	Officer Comment
Bailey Road Area Residents Parking Scheme	Residents Petition	Prohibition Of Waiting at junctions introduction of Permit Parking Controls	<p><b>34 letters of objection and 1 Petition from local Solicitor with 577 signatures</b> – 15 of the representations list their main concern as the viability of businesses in the area. There is limited parking on London Road and therefore employers and customers often use the side roads for parking. They also state that many properties have adequate off-street parking.</p> <p>5 letters have been received from flats above the shops in London Road; they have no off-street parking and therefore rely on the side roads for parking.</p> <p>3 letters mention the difficulties the scheme will cause to patients at a large Doctors surgery and Dentist in London Road. There is insufficient off-street spaces within the Doctors practice and the Dentist has little or no customer parking.</p> <p>Other comments mention that the scheme will cause a knock on effect to roads south of London Road which are already suffering parking stress and other areas are more deserving.</p> <p>The area should be extended to the east to deal with the problems caused by staff of Belfairs Academy and 5 letters offer no perceived problems or no comments</p>	<p>The proposal is a result of a successful resident led survey requesting parking controls to remove all day parking from their streets. While the majority of residents do have off street parking provision, many families have more than one car and rely on parking on street and this can be difficult given all day parking by local workers. Along with permit parking controls, proposals to provide waiting restrictions at a number of currently unprotected junctions was also included within the proposal.</p> <p>Significant opposition has been received to the permit parking proposals however, the petition submitted appears to include high levels of staff from a number of businesses who likely utilise the side streets for all day parking as well as signatures from businesses some distance from the proposal. as residents demonstrated support for parking controls,</p> <p>Photographs of the streets are shown below and demonstrate the levels of parking in these streets. Members are asked to consider to ;</p> <p><b>Agree the proposed parking controls and junction protection measures as advertised.</b></p> <p><b>OR</b></p> <p><b>Agree to the implementation of waiting restrictions around currently unprotected junctions only</b></p> <p><b>OR</b></p> <p><b>Take no further action on any of the proposals</b></p>

Eaton Road



Barnard Road



Bailey Road



Sydney Road



Gordon Road





Stirling Ave



Olive Ave

