

Southend-on-Sea Borough Council

Report of Executive Director
(Neighbourhoods & Environment)

to

**Traffic Regulation Working Party
and Cabinet Committee**

on

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Agenda
Item No.

Milton Road Area Parking Consultation

**Place Scrutiny Committee - Cabinet Member : Councillor Woodley
Part 1 Public Agenda Item**

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 For the Traffic Regulations Working Party and the Cabinet Committee to consider the results of a parking consultation carried out in roads situated in an area bounded by Park Road in the east, Hamlet Court Road in the west, A13 in the north and the Fenchurch Street railway to the south.
- 1.2 This report was first presented to this working party on the 24th February 2020 in which it was agreed:
- That the matter be considered as a priority as part of the development of the Parking Strategy currently being developed.
 - That consideration of any further requests/petitions for parking schemes referred to the Traffic Regulations Working Party and Cabinet Committee be deferred pending the outcome of the Parking Review.
- 1.3 The controlled parking zone policy was agreed at Scrutiny on Monday 1 February 2021 and therefore this report is being re-presented in its entirety to be considered as a larger scheme.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 **That the Traffic and Parking Working Party consider the results presented and recommend to the Cabinet Committee to:**
- (a) To undertake advertisement of the proposals and if no objections to commence with implementation of scheme on all roads outlined in Appendix 1**
- (b) If the scheme is rejected that it is not reconsidered for 2 years**

3. Background

- 3.1 A parking consultation was carried out by a former Ward Councillor and residents at the end of 2018 in St Vincent's Road, Avenue Terrace, Avenue Road, Park Terrace, Park Crescent and Park Road.
- 3.2 Results of this consultation were reported to the Traffic Regulations Working Party / Cabinet Committee at the meeting held on 7th January 2019, however because St Vincent's Road was the only road to meet the adopted threshold criteria, agreement was given to advertise a residents only permit parking scheme. Further time was given to carry out follow up consultation in the remaining roads but the required response rate and support was not achieved.
- 3.3 Statutory advertisement was carried out in June/July 2019 and comments on the proposal were reported to the Traffic Regulations Working Party / Cabinet Committee on 12th September 2019. In consideration of the objections, The Cabinet Committee resolved to not confirm the Order but that consultation be undertaken to introduce permit parking in the roads in the wider area, the extent of which to be determined by Officers in consultation with the Ward Councillors
- 3.4 A consultation pack containing covering letter, questionnaire and information sheet was distributed to 1200 properties in the area agreed with Ward Members. The results of this consultation are attached at Appendix 1 to this report.

4. Reasons for Recommendations

- 4.1 Many of the roads included in this consultation have been consulted before on a number of occasions and the support and response rate has remained consistent.
- 4.2 In consideration of objections to the previous scheme Members were concerned that displaced parking would migrate to the surrounding area causing additional problems in those roads not included and it is felt that the support for this consultation which has been deferred from February 2020 will get the right level of support to take forward to implementation.
- 4.2 A new area to the west of Milton Road was added to the survey area where generally support for permit parking was found to be low with the exception of Burdett Avenue, St Johns Road and Hadleigh Road which met the support rate but did not receive more than 50% returned questionnaires. These roads are not closely situated and therefore it would not be appropriate to introduce individual permit schemes, however in view of the fact that St Vincents Road has received support there is potential that the other roads will now wish to be considered in view of the potential risk of displaced parking.
- 4.3 In view of the new controlled parking zone policy agreed at Scrutiny on 1st February the criteria under Stage 4 – Informal Consultation b) of the eligible responders, more than 20% respond was met by the majority of roads (12 out of 17) in the area and under Stage 4 – Informal Consultation c) a minimum of 55% of valid responses are in favour of the scheme was met by all the roads in the area within a range of 61% to 100% and an average of 84% of responders in favour.

4.4 The formal consultation if agreed will be clear on the risks should adjoining roads not wish to opt into a scheme and any objections will be bought back to TRWP before any commencement of the scheme.

5. Corporate Implications

5.1 Contribution to Council's Vision and 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 progression of the works if approved, can be met from existing budgets

5.3 Legal Implications

5.3.1 The formal statutory consultative process will be completed in accordance with the requirements of the legislation.

5.4 People Implications

5.4.1 Works required to progress the proposals will be undertaken by existing staff resources.

5.5 Property Implications

5.5.1 None

5.6 Consultation

5.6.1 If an agreement is reached to progress an extension to an existing scheme, this report requests authority to commence the statutory consultation process and is a result of a consultation demonstrating support for parking controls in a number of roads.

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 any scheme progressed 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 if implemented will lead to improved community safety by reducing non-resident parking and giving residents the opportunity to park near to their homes.

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** – Summary table of Consultation Responses.
Appendix 2 – Plans of the Consultation Areas

Appendix 1 - Milton Road Area Parking Consultation Summary Table

Road Name	No. of Properties	No. in Favour	No. Against	Total No. Returned	% Returns	% In Favour
Avenue Road	112	37	2	39	35	95
Avenue Terrace	32	12	1	13	40	92
Park Crescent	13	2	0	2	15	100
Park Road	82	25	8	33	40	76
Park Terrace	29	12	1	13	45	92
St. Vincent's Road	75	37	3	40	53	92
Milton Road	48	7	1	8	16	88
Burdett Avenue	150	64	2	66	44	97
Canewdon Road	57	9	0	9	16	100
Cossington Road	90	10	5	15	16	66
Hadleigh Road	29	10	3	13	45	77
Hermitage Road	55	12	6	18	33	67
Preston Road	99	12	7	19	19	63
Retreat Road	66	17	2	19	29	89
St Helens Road	147	22	14	36	24	61
St Johns Road	93	31	15	46	49	67
Wickford Road	23	5	0	5	22	100

Appendix 2 - Milton Road Area Parking Consultation Survey Area

