

Southend-on-Sea Borough Council

Agenda
Item No.

Report of Executive Director
(Neighbourhoods & Environment)

to

**Traffic Regulations Working Party
and Cabinet Committee**

on

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Traffic Regulation Order (Waiting Restriction)

**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 agree to the commencement of consultation and implementation of a Traffic Regulation Order in accordance with Statutory processes.

2. Recommendation

2.1. **That the Traffic Regulations Working Party approve the commencement of the consultation and implementation of the restrictions referred to in Appendix 1 in Rayleigh Road Service Road, Ashburnham Road and London Road and recommend the Cabinet Committee to:**

(a) Agree to the commencement of the statutory consultation process to implement the waiting restriction referred to in Appendix 1, and subject to any objections received, they are dealt with by the service area and not referred back to this committee

(b) take no further 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 All requests are assessed and investigated against the policy criterion agreed criteria by the Cabinet Committee in November 2018.

4. Reasons for Recommendations

4.1 The proposal aims to increase parking availability by introducing and amending existing waiting restrictions.

5. Corporate Implications

5.1 Contribution to the Southend 2050 Road Map

5.1.1 Ensure the highway network is effectively managed while maintaining safety and reduction of 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 Where recommended, the source of funding will be from allocated budgets, where funding is provided from alternative budgets, this is highlighted as appropriate.

5.3 Legal Implications

5.3.1 The formal statutory consultative process for Traffic Regulation Orders will be followed.

5.4 People Implications

5.4.1 Works required to implement the agreed scheme will be undertaken by existing staff resources.

5.5 Property Implications

5.5.1 None

5.6 Consultation

5.6.1 Formal consultation will be undertaken including advertisement of the proposal in the local press and on street as appropriate.

5.7 Equalities and Diversity Implications

5.7.1 Any implications have been taken into account in designing the scheme.

5.8 Risk Assessment

5.8.1 The proposals are designed to improve highway safety and traffic flow and as such, is likely to have a positive impact.

5.9 Value for Money

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

5.10 Community Safety Implications

5.10.1 The proposals in **Appendix 1m**, if implemented, is likely to lead to improved community safety.

5.11 Environmental Impact

5.11.1 There is no significant environmental impact as a result of introducing this Traffic Regulation Order.

6. Background papers

None

7. Appendices

Appendix 1 – List of requests and comments

APPENDIX 1 – LIST OF REQUESTS AND COMMENTS

Item	1
Location	Rayleigh Road Service Road, Eastwood (Rochford Corner)
Proposed by	Officers.
What is this request for	Measures to prevent delivery vehicles parking on pavement area when doing deliveries and to protect buildout.
Proposal	To extend existing restrictions by approx. 10m to protect the buildout
Current Restrictions (if any)	No Waiting at Any Time (double yellow lines) at the junction with Willow Close
Reason for request	Access and safety of pedestrians and to deter parking on the pavement.
Has this request been made previously (if so when)	No
If this request was made previously what was the outcome	
Who will be consulted	Ward Councillors, Statutory Consultees and affected Residents/Businesses.
Officer Comments	Reports have been received that lorries are parking up on the pavement area when delivering to the shops which is resulting in the pavements being damaged especially in the vicinity of Willow Close and causing safety hazards for pedestrians using the local shops. To deter this the Highways Team have built a build-out on the junction with Willow Close to deter the vehicles from parking on the pavement areas. The original waiting restrictions are now too short and do not protect the new build-out and need to be extended to deter the parking which then could be enforced if vehicles wait/park.
Officer Recommendations	Recommend proceeding to statutory advertisement and implementation subject to no objections
Any other information	None

Item	2
Location	Ashburnham Road Southend-on-Sea
Proposed by	Officers following requests from Residents.
What is this request for	To allow for additional resident parking bays in Ashburnham Road within the Milton Area Residents Parking Scheme.
Proposal	To reduce the double yellow line between Hamlet Road and Queens Road to allow additional residents parking bays but still protecting the two junctions with double yellow lines
Current Restrictions (if any)	No Waiting at Any Time from Hamlet Road to Queens Road including 1 existing residents parking bay all on the east side of Ashburnham Road.
Reason for request	To allow for additional parking for residents in this road.
Has this request been made previously (if so when)	No
If this request was made previously what was the outcome	
Who will be consulted	Ward Councillors, Statutory Consultees and affected Residents.
Officer Comments	This road is part of the Milton Area Permit Parking Scheme and although there are some residents parking bays available in this road and residents can park elsewhere in the scheme area, compared to other roads in the scheme area there are not many parking spaces available to the number of residential properties. Following requests from residents, a review of this road, was undertaken to see if there were any areas that would allow for additional resident's bays. By reducing a section of existing double yellow lines between Hamlet Road and Queens Road an additional 3 residents parking bays could be accommodated in the road whilst still maintaining junction protection on the 2 junctions the introduction of these extra bays will help the residents being able to park nearer to their homes.
Officer Recommendations	Recommend proceeding to statutory advertisement and implementation subject to no objections
Any other information	None

Item	3
Location	London Road near to Cranleigh Drive Leigh-on-Sea
Proposed by	Officers following a request from Business Owner.
What is this request for	Provision of a Loading Bay Outside 1076 London Road (Lighting Shop)
Proposal	To reduce the existing Limited Waiting Bay to allow the introduction of a Loading Bay to allow deliveries to the lighting shop and other businesses in this stretch of London Road
Current Restrictions (if any)	Limited Waiting Bay Mon-Sat – 9am-6pm 1 Hour No Return in 4 Hours
Reason for request	To allow for parking for deliveries to the shops as they have no rear access
Has this request been made previously (if so when)	No
If this request was made previously what was the outcome	
Who will be consulted	Ward Councillors, Statutory Consultees and affected Residents/Businesses.
Officer Comments	<p>We have received requests from the shop owners for the provision of a loading bay outside their shops to allow for delivery lorries to be able to park to unload as they have no rear entrances, all the deliveries have to go in from the front of the shops. At present this bay is a Limited Waiting Bay Mon-Sat – 9am-6pm 1 Hour No Return in 4 Hours. The shop owners are finding it increasingly difficult for their deliveries as the bay is fully used by shoppers going to the nearby supermarket and the only way, they are getting deliveries is that lorries are having to double park which is then blocking the traffic flow along this busy stretch of London Road.</p> <p>This has become more evident since the business have re-opened following lockdown, where the waiting area is now fully utilised with cars for shoppers using the supermarket rather than using the supermarket car park area. The present Limited Waiting Bay and times is hard to enforce and therefore this request gives the opportunity to replace the current restrictions rather than a loading bay/limited waiting but to make the bay a shared loading and pay and display bay. By amending the current restriction, it will be seen to be helping the traders to re-establish their businesses now that shops are opening and trading again following the Covid lockdown whilst still maintaining parking for other road users.</p> <p>It is proposed therefore, to amend this Limited Waiting Bay to a Shared Use Loading Bay and Pay and Display parking.</p>
Officer Recommendations	Recommend proceeding to consultation with relevant business and Ward Cllrs to agree times of restrictions and that it then goes to statutory advertisement and implementation subject to no objections

Any other information	None
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