

Southend-on-Sea Borough Council

Agenda
Item No.

Report of Corporate of Place
To
**Traffic & Parking Working Party & Cabinet
Committee**
On
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**Petition Requesting Permit Parking Controls
Southend East**
Executive Councillor: Councillor Tony Cox
A Part 1 Public Agenda Item

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 To advise Members of a petition signed by 320 residents of the roads north of Southend East Railway Station requesting parking controls to deter all day parking by commuters.

2. Recommendation

That the Traffic & Parking Working Party and Cabinet Committee:

- a) **Note the petition and thank the residents for taking the time to compile the petition; and agree to;**
- b) **Advertise a proposal to introduce a Permit Parking Area in the streets detailed in Appendix 1.**
- d) **Further agree that in the event that no objections are received to the proposal, the Traffic Regulation Order be confirmed. Any objections will of course be referred to this Committee for consideration.**

3. Background

- 3.1 The streets north of Southend East Railway Station feature a mixed design of properties. Several streets feature houses with adequate frontage to accommodate vehicles on the property whereas other streets front directly onto the street resulting in residents relying solely on parking provision on street.
- 3.2 Southend East Railway Station attracts large numbers of commuters, the level of parking by non-residents is increasing resulting in residents being prevented from parking near to their homes. A resident has organised a petition requesting parking controls be introduced to deter the all-day parking.

- 3.4 The petition has attracted a large response with 57% of residents signing the petition and the majority are supportive of parking controls.
- 3.3 A Permit Parking Area operational for part of the day will ensure parking availability for the residents.

4. Other Options

- 4.1 Take no further action. The Council is required to consider petitions related to parking controls and success from other permit parking style controls demonstrates that we can improve the parking situation for residents by introducing controls.

5. Reasons for Recommendations

- 5.1 To manage parking increase parking provision.

6. Corporate Implications

6.1 Contribution to Council's Vision & Corporate Priorities.

- 6.1.1 The road is not a major route and generally subject to local and residential traffic only. The proposals will likely reduce vehicle speeds as the road will be visually narrowed contributing to a safe Southend.

6.2 Financial Implications

- 6.2.1 Any costs are met through existing budgets.

6.3 Legal Implications

- 6.3.1 The statutory consultation will be undertaken prior to any further action.

6.4 People Implications

- 6.4.1 None.

6.5 Property Implications

- 6.5.1 None.

6.6 Consultation

- 6.6.1 Traffic Regulation Orders are subject to statutory consultation requirements.

6.7 Equalities and Diversity Implications

- 6.7.1 Waiting restrictions are amended to manage parking, reduce accidents and/or improve traffic flows. The objectives of managing parking and improving safety

takes account of all users of the public highway including those with disabilities and childcare responsibilities.

6.8 *Risk Assessment*

6.8.1 None.

6.9 *Value for Money*

6.9.1 N/A.

6.10 *Community Safety Implications*

6.10.1 None. However, the removal of the existing waiting restrictions are proposed to increase parking which in turn, reduces the likelihood of neighbourhood disputes.

6.11 *Environmental Impact*

6.11.1 None.

7. Background Papers

7.1 None.

8. Appendices

Appendix 1 Plan of area.

Appendix 2 Breakdown of results by street.