

Southend-on-Sea Borough Council

Agenda

Item No.

**Report of Corporate Director for Place
to
Traffic & Parking Working Party and
Cabinet Committee
on
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**Requests for New or Amended Traffic Regulation Orders
Portfolio Holder – Councillor Tony Cox
A Part 1 Public Agenda Item**

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 For the Traffic and Parking 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 and Parking 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 and Parking Working Party for consideration.

3. Background

- 3.1 Requests for new or amendments to existing waiting restrictions are regularly received from residents and the businesses.
- 3.2 All requests are assessed and investigated against the policy criterion agreed criteria by the Cabinet Committee in January 2016.

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 Council's Vision & Corporate Priorities

- 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 CHNAGES/ WAITING RESTRICTIONS REQUESTS

Location	Request Details	Requested By	Relevant Criteria Points	Officer comments
Tylers Avenue Car Park	Amend existing payment method from pay on foot to pay and display, pay by phone and online payments.	Officers	NA	<p>The existing pay on foot equipment is approaching an age where replacement needs to be considered. Since introducing this payment method, parking payment technology has significantly improved offering far more flexible payment methods including;</p> <p>Contactless payments Pay by phone Pay online/via app</p> <p>As part of the new parking contract, additional payment options are soon to be available resulting in flexible payment as well as opportunity to improve customer experience by introducing payment options available away from the car park (eg pay by phone or online) as well as improving efficiency in enforcement activity.</p> <p>For information, the contract also changes the operational methods of our activities and the car park office is now redundant. This is to be demolished allowing for a complete revision of the parking layout in York Road Car Park and offers the opportunity to remove the existing barriers and joining the two car parks. Works are to be undertaken to assess a new layout and access arrangements existing boundaries of the car parks.</p> <p>Recommend advertise amendment to payment options as a pilot to determine appropriate methods for future parking areas.</p>
Various locations	Introduce additional electric charging bays/car club electric charging bays. Amend existing areas to incorporate maximum waiting limit.	Officers	NA	<p>A small number of charging bays are in operation within car parks and also on street. These are currently unlimited resulting in some vehicles using the charging points for excessively long periods.</p> <p>In addition, a car club operator wishes to provide vehicles for use within a number of areas and requires charging and parking facilities for vehicles. Designated bays are required to ensure vehicles returned to correct areas and available for re-use.</p> <p>Recommend advertise proposals.</p>

