

Agenda Item: 3653/2016

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Report to the Chief Officer (Highways and Transportation)

Date: 01 March 2016

Subject: Oakley Grove, Oakley Terrace & Oakley View Traffic Regulation Order -

Objection Report

Are specific electoral Wards affected?		☐ No
If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):		
City & Hunslet		
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	☐ Yes	⊠ No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	☐ Yes	⊠ No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number: Appendix number:	☐ Yes	⊠ No

Summary of main issues

- The Best Council Plan 2015-2020 outlines how Leeds City will achieve its ambition to become the Best City in the UK and Leeds City Council the best authority. According to the Best Council Plan, the success of the Best Council objective: supporting communities will be measures by communities receiving accessible and integrated services that meets their needs. This scheme meets these objective by delivering a traffic management scheme to formalise parking which meets the needs of both residential and business needs within the area, to reduce the likelihood of obstruction, congestion and injury accidents.
- Proposals have been advertised to convert the existing Residents Permit Parking on Oakley Grove, Oakley Terrace & Oakley View into 'shared use' Time Limited Waiting Bays (1 hour no return within 1 hour), with an exemption for permit holders. The purpose of these proposals is to better utilise the kerb space that recent surveys has indicated is currently under used, particularly through the working day. Furthermore, the proposals will improve parking opportunities for visitors to nearby businesses/amenities while allowing visitors to residential properties the ability to park for one hour without the need to display a permit.
- One objection was received to these new proposals and this report seeks approval of the Chief Officer (Highways and Transportation) to consider and over-rule the reported objection, which would enable Traffic Regulation Order, Leeds City Council (Traffic Regulation) (Waiting Restrictions) (No.W61) Order 2014 Amendment No.6 Order 2015 to be made and to include these proposals within it.

Recommendations

- 4 The Chief Officer (Highways and Transportation) is requested to:
 - i) note the contents of this report;
 - ii) consider and over-rule the objections to Leeds City Council (Traffic Regulation) (Waiting Restrictions) (No.W61) Order 2014 Amendment No.6 Order 2015;
 - iii) instruct the City Solicitor to make, seal and implement Leeds City Council (Traffic Regulation) (Waiting Restrictions) (No.W61) Order 2014 Amendment No.6 Order 2015;
 - iv) instruct the City Solicitor to write to the objector informing them of the Chief Officer's (Highways and Transportation) decision.

1 Purpose of this report

- This report details an objection received against proposals to provide 'shared use' Time Limited Waiting Bays (1 hour no return within 1 hour), with an exemption for permit holders on a length of the highway, that is currently under used and requests the Chief Officer (Highways and Transportation) to consider the objection and the related recommendations.
- 1.2 The purpose of the report is to obtain authority to over-rule the objection received and seeks approval to implement and seal the Traffic Regulation Order as originally advertised.

2 Background information

- 2.1 The proposals originated from enquiries raised by concerns from local businesses who felt that the lack of kerb side parking for customers was affecting their ability to trade. The issue was that many streets adjacent to the effected businesses were covered by Permit Holder Only restrictions, that had been originally promoted to tackle indiscriminate parking from a nearby industrial estate.
- 2.2 Numerous site visits have been undertaken and Parking Surveys have been undertaken and have demonstrated that this area was in demand for kerbside space throughout the whole day and following this, Traffic Managament were requested to develop proposals to assist residents in the area without causing large scale displacement of non-residential vehicles to other areas.
- 2.3 In August 2015 a report was approved by the Chief Officer (Highways & Transportation) giving authority to advertise a Traffic Regulation Order that proposed to implement waiting restrictions on various roads within the City & Hunslet Ward.
- 2.4 To provide efficiency savings, the proposed restrictions were included within an amendment to the City & Hunslet Consolidation Order. They were advertised between 26 January and 19 February 2016. During this period one objection was received.

3 Main issues

- 3.1 The attached drawing shows the full extent of the restrictions being proposed.
- 3.2 The scheme proposes the introduction of 'Shared Use Parking' to address specific problems that has been reported and observed in the area.
- 3.3 Please see the attached objection summary table detailing the objections and Highways' response.

4 Corporate Considerations

4.1 Consultation and Engagement

- 4.1.1 Ward Members were consulted in writing in September 2015 with all expressing their support for the proposals.
- 4.1.2 Emergency services and Metro were consulted in writing on September 2015. To date only the Police have provided a response confirming they have no objection to the scheme.
- 4.1.3 Directly affected residents and businesses were consulted by letter dated September 2015. Two responses were received to the consultation, both of who had concerns with the proposals, one of which was the objector.

4.2 Equality and Diversity / Cohesion and Integration

An Equality, Diversity, Cohesion and Integration Screening has been completed and indicated that an EIA was not required

4.3 Resource and value for money

- 4.3.1 The total estimated cost for implementing the scheme is £6,000, which comprises of £3,000 works, £1,500 staff and £1,500 legal costs, which is to be funded from the Traffic Management Capital Budget.
- 4.3.2 The proposals contained in the report have no implications for the council constitution. This is a report that covers several restrictions in the City & Hunslet Ward grouped together for efficiency in managing, implementing and cost benefit (reduction in advertising costs).

4.4 Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In

4.4.1 The proposal is not eligible for Call In.

4.5 Risk Management

- 4.5.1 If the restrictions are not approved there is a risk that the parking provision in this locality will continue to be under used.
- 4.5.2 If the objections are upheld then the amendment to the City & Hunslet Consolidation Order would have to be sealed in part and the proposals that received the objection would either be abandoned or re-advertised with potential

amendments. This would contradict the rationale for introducing ward based consolidation orders.

5 Conclusions

5.1 The Shared use parking proposals, as detailed in this report, have been proposed to assist residents & businesses by removing inconsiderate all day commuter parking but allowing some short stay opportunities.

6 Recommendations

- 6.1 The Chief Officer (Highways and Transportation) is requested to:
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 - iii) instruct the City Solicitor to make, seal and implement Leeds City Council (Traffic Regulation) (Waiting Restrictions) (No.W61) Order 2014 Amendment No.6 Order 2015; and
 - iv) instruct the City Solicitor to write to the objector informing him of the Chief Officer's (Highways and Transportation) decision.

7 Background Papers¹

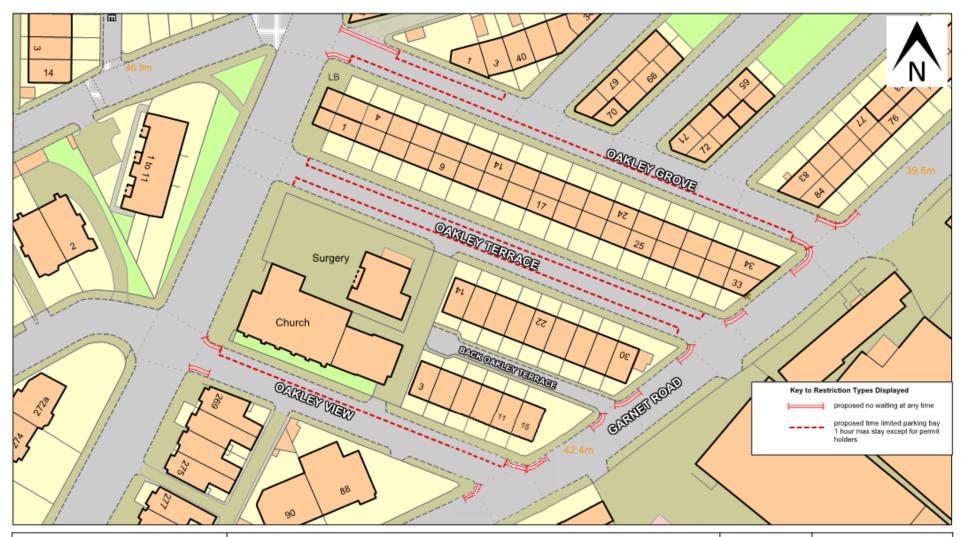
7.1 None.

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¹ The background documents listed in this section are available to download from the Council's website, unless they contain confidential or exempt information. The list of background documents does not include published works.

<u>SUMMARY OF OBJECTION TO OAKLEYS TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER</u>
Leeds City Council (Traffic Regulation) (Waiting Restrictions) (No.W61) Order 2014 Amendment No.6 Order 2015

SUMMARY OF OBJECTION	HIGHWAYS RESPONSE
The objector alleges that they currently struggles to park outside their property due to non permit holders parking there and these proposals will make it worse	Numerous site visits have indicated very little on street parking during the working day and whilst we cannot guarantee the objector the ability to park directly outside of their property there should be plenty of kerb space available to park
If the new proposals operate 24/7 how will it be be enforced	Parking Service are able to enforce 'outside of normal hours' if the situation requires it and the days and hours of operation are no different to the current restriction
On many occasions the street is already full of cars	Numerous site visits (at various times) have shown that little kerb side parking is taking place.
I have an elderly parent who struggles to walk. Being unable to park outside my home due to the proposal would cause added inconvenience to someone 84 years old	Whilst no one has the right to park on the Highway outside their home, numerous onsite observations have indicated there is currently ample kerb side parking close to the gentlemans home that should still be available following these changes. If on occasion the objector is unable to park outside their home, they should still be able to drop passengers off close to their property and then find a suitable parking place further along the street.
The existing restriction is currently being abused.	People will risk parking in a residents space while nipping to the shop and there is little that can be done to prevent it. By legally permitting a relatively short maximum stay for non-permit holders it is expected that there will be a bigger enforcement presence and the demand for spaces for local shops is at its peak during the working day where my visits have shown there is significant space available
The original scheme was promoted to remove non-residents (commuters from the Industrial Estate) so why change it?	The original scheme was implemented to remove long stay commuter parking these amendments will not alter that. commuters will still not be able to park at this as non-residents will only be able to park legally for one hour and this would therefore not be viable for them. I do not envisage that there will ever be a time where residents will be unable to park and the scheme will be closely monitored.
As I live closer to the shops and doctors i am likely to be affected more than those living further down Oakley Terrace. In particular the Doctors surgery is open while 6.00pm	Site visits have indicated there is ample kerb space available during the working day and therefore this shouldn't cause signifant problems to the objector.





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