

## Report to the Chief Officer (Highways and Transportation)

**Date: 25 April 2017**

**Subject: Alderton Heights , Alwoodley – NWAAT (Proposed Traffic Regulation Order)**

**Capital Scheme Number: 32394/PI0/000**

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s): Alwoodley	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number: Appendix number:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

## Summary of main issues

- 1 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.
- 2 Issues have been raised by residents with regards to vehicle congestion, driving, deliveries and parking difficulties in Alderton Heights blocks areas in the Alwoodley ward. The parking on all three blocks is such that residents are not able to have their waste / refuse collected.
- 3 The purpose of this report is to request authority to advertise and implement a Traffic Regulation Order to introduce a 'No Waiting At Any Time' restrictions along all three Alderton Heights blocks.

## **Recommendations**

- 4 The Chief Officer (Highways and Transportation) is requested to:
- i) Approve the design and implementation of 'No Waiting At Any Time' restrictions along all three Alderton Heights blocks. Details are shown on drawing number TM-2-2777-CONSULT-01.
  - ii) Request the City Solicitor to advertise a draft Traffic Regulation Order to implement the measures in item 4 (i) above as shown on drawing number TM-2-2777-CONSULT-01 and if no valid objections are received, to make, seal and implement the order as advertised.

### **1 Purpose of this report**

- 1.1 To seek approval to advertise a draft Traffic Regulation Order to introduce 'No Waiting At Any Time' restrictions on along all three Alderton Heights blocks as shown on drawing numbers TM-2-2777-CONSULT-01 and if no valid objections are received, to request that the City Solicitor make, seal and implement the order as advertised.

### **2 Background information**

- 2.1 Issues have been raised by residents with regards to vehicle congestion, driving, deliveries and parking difficulties in Alderton Heights blocks areas in the Alwoodley ward. The parking on all three blocks is such that residents are not able to have their waste / refuse collected. Refuse vehicles often have difficulties in getting to the waste bins in order to empty them due to the level of parking and the lack of room to manoeuvre the bins.

### **3 Main issues**

- 3.1 In order to resolve the problematic parking issues and maintain the free and safe flow of traffic. It is proposed to introduce a 'No Waiting At Any Time' restrictions along all three Alderton Heights blocks.

#### **3.2 Design Proposals and Full Scheme Description.**

- 3.2.1 The proposed restrictions are being put forward to alleviate the present situation, in the interests of providing an unobstructed passage for the benefit of the residents and visitors it is proposed to introduce a 'No Waiting At Any Time' restrictions along the access roads to the three housing units on Alderton Heights.
- 3.2.2 The new proposals can be seen on the attached copy of drawing number TM-2-2777-CONSULT-01.

### **3.3 Programme**

- 3.3.1 It is anticipated that the proposal will be implemented within the 2017/ 2018 financial year.

### **4.0 Corporate Considerations**

#### **4.1 Consultation and Engagement**

- 4.1.1 Ward Members: Ward Members were consulted by email dated 2 March 2017. A reply has been received from all three Ward Members who are in favour of the proposals.
- 4.1.2 Emergency Services and WYCA were consulted by email dated 2 March 2017. No responses have been received to date.
- 4.1.3 The general public will be consulted via notices on street lighting columns during the public advertisement phase, along with an advert in the Yorkshire Post newspaper and online on Councils website (traffweb).

#### **4.2 Equality and Diversity / Cohesion and Integration**

- 4.2.1 A full Equality, Diversity / Cohesion and Integration impact assessment has been carried out for the 'No waiting at any time' and no stopping restrictions.
- 4.2.2 Positive Impact:
- Improved sightlines at junctions where restrictions are introduced.
  - Improved awareness of existing crossing points for motorist.
  - Improved footpath access for all pedestrians, which will include carers supporting pushchairs, wheelchair users and disabled people particularly the blind and visually impaired.
  - Improved safety for all pedestrians when crossing the road as cars no longer hinder vision which will be of particular benefit to carers with young children and people with mobility issues.
- 4.2.3 Negative Impact:
- The removal of the unrestricted carriageway section will move the indiscriminate parking to other location where there are no restrictions applied.
  - Some may see it as a negative to remove parking through the introduction of double yellow lines. However, this is not an issue for blue badge holders.

#### **4.3 Council Policies and City Priorities**

- 4.3.1 The Best City ambition is to improve life for the people of Leeds and make our city a better place. Measures to improve road safety make a specific contribution to the Best City for Communities and Child Friendly Leeds ambitions. Reducing the number of casualties involving loss of life or severe injury (Killed or Seriously Injured – KSIs) is one of the measures for the delivery of the objectives for the Best Council Plan.

- 4.3.2 The proposals contained in this report are in accordance with Plan Objective: Delivering Accessibility. The proposals also follow core strategy approaches A1 and A2 in that the scheme will improve physical accessibility and improve the highway for pedestrians.

#### **4.4 Resources and Value for Money**

- 4.4.1 The estimated total cost to implement this scheme is £5,000, which comprises of £2,000 works costs, £1,500 Staff fees and £1,500 legal fees, all to be funded from the Housing Capital Programme.

#### **4.5 Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In**

- 4.5.1 The report is not eligible for call in as the proposal falls below the relevant threshold.

#### **4.6 Risk Management**

- 4.6.1 There are no risk issues over and above those expected when working in the public highway, generated by the proposals contained within this report.

### **5 Conclusions**

- 5.1 The introduction of 'No Waiting At Any Time' restrictions will improve the free flow of traffic on the various stretches of highway and eliminate issues caused by discriminate parking.

### **6 Recommendations**

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### **7 Background Papers<sup>1</sup>**

- 7.1 None

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<sup>1</sup> 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.

## Appendix 1

### Equality, Diversity, Cohesion and Integration Screening



As a public authority we need to ensure that all our strategies, policies, service and functions, both current and proposed have given proper consideration to equality, diversity, cohesion and integration.

A **screening** process can help judge relevance and provides a record of both the **process** and **decision**. Screening should be a short, sharp exercise that determines relevance for all new and revised strategies, policies, services and functions. Completed at the earliest opportunity it will help to determine:

- the relevance of proposals and decisions to equality, diversity, cohesion and integration.
- whether or not equality, diversity, cohesion and integration is being/has already been considered, and
- whether or not it is necessary to carry out an impact assessment.

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#### 1. Title: ALDERTON HEIGHTS, ALWOODLEY – NWAAT

(Proposed Traffic Regulation Order)

Is this a:

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Strategy / Policy

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Service / Function

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Other

If other, please specify

#### 2. Please provide a brief description of what you are screening

The screening focus on the proposals to introduce a Traffic Regulation Order at all three Alderton Heights blocks across the Alwoodley Ward. These include 'No Waiting At Any Time' restrictions. The restrictions will protect problematic locations from indiscriminate parking whilst removing / reducing vehicular conflicts and therefore aiding pedestrian movements.

#### 3. Relevance to equality, diversity, cohesion and integration

All the council's strategies/policies, services/functions affect service users, employees or the wider community – city wide or more local. These will also have a greater/lesser relevance to equality, diversity, cohesion and integration.

The following questions will help you to identify how relevant your proposals are.

When considering these questions think about age, carers, disability, gender reassignment, race, religion or belief, sex, sexual orientation and any other relevant characteristics (for example socio-economic status, social class, income, unemployment, residential location or family background and education or skills levels).		
Questions	Yes	No
Is there an existing or likely differential impact for the different equality characteristics?	x	
Have there been or likely to be any public concerns about the policy or proposal?	x	
Could the proposal affect how our services, commissioning or procurement activities are organised, provided, located and by whom?		x
Could the proposal affect our workforce or employment practices?		x
Does the proposal involve or will it have an impact on <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Eliminating unlawful discrimination, victimisation and harassment</li> <li>• Advancing equality of opportunity</li> <li>• Fostering good relations</li> </ul>		x

If you have answered **no** to the questions above please complete **sections 6 and 7**

If you have answered **yes** to any of the above and;

- Believe you have already considered the impact on equality, diversity, cohesion and integration within your proposal please go to **section 4**.
- Are not already considering the impact on equality, diversity, cohesion and integration within your proposal please go to **section 5**.

<b>4. Considering the impact on equality, diversity, cohesion and integration</b>
<p>If you can demonstrate you have considered how your proposals impact on equality, diversity, cohesion and integration you have carried out an impact assessment.</p> <p>Please provide specific details for all three areas below (use the prompts for guidance).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>How have you considered equality, diversity, cohesion and integration?</b> (think about the scope of the proposal, who is likely to be affected, equality related information, gaps in information and plans to address, consultation and engagement activities (taken place or planned) with those likely to be affected)</li> </ul> <p>Ward Members and the Emergency Services have been consulted. The Ward Members have responded in support of the proposals.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Key findings</b> (think about any potential positive and negative impact on different equality characteristics, potential to promote strong and positive relationships between groups, potential to bring groups/communities into increased contact with each other, perception that the proposal could benefit one group at the expense of another)</li> </ul> <p>It may be perceived that the scheme has a more positive impact on pedestrians and</p>

cyclists over motorists. However, the reduction in road casualties has a beneficial effect on all three groups.

Positive Impacts of the scheme features

- The 'No Waiting At Any Time' restrictions will improve the free flow of traffic on the various stretches of highway and eliminate issues caused by discriminate parking.

Negative impacts;

- The restriction may move the discriminated parking to another location.

• **Actions**  
(**think about** how you will promote positive impact and remove/ reduce negative impact)

**5. If you are **not** already considering the impact on equality, diversity, cohesion and integration you **will need to carry out an impact assessment**.**

Date to scope and plan your impact assessment:	n/a
Date to complete your impact assessment	n/a
Lead person for your impact assessment (Include name and job title)	n/a

**6. Governance, ownership and approval**  
Please state here who has approved the actions and outcomes of the screening

Name	Job title	Date
Gary Pritchard	Senior Engineer	16/03/2017

**7. Publishing**  
This screening document will act as evidence that due regard to equality and diversity has been given. If you are not carrying out an independent impact assessment the screening document will need to be published.

If this screening relates to a **Key Delegated Decision, Executive Board, full Council** or a **Significant Operational Decision** a copy should be emailed to Corporate Governance and will be published along with the relevant report.

A copy of **all other** screening's should be sent to [equalityteam@leeds.gov.uk](mailto:equalityteam@leeds.gov.uk). For record keeping purposes it will be kept on file (but not published).

<b>Date screening completed</b>	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
If relates to a Key Decision - <b>date sent to Corporate Governance</b>	
Any other decision – <b>date sent to Equality Team (equalityteam@leeds.gov.uk)</b>	