

Report of the Strategic Director of Regeneration and Culture to the meeting of Bradford South Area Committee to be held on 23 January 2014

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Subject:

The objection is on the grounds that the severity of the restrictions on parking is far in excess of that which would be reasonable to prevent the undesirable congestion due to parking of vehicles delivering and collecting pupils from Appleton Academy.

Summary statement:

The report considers one objection to the recently re-advertised permit parking zone on High Fernley Road and high Fernley Court, Wyke.

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Overview & Scrutiny Area:

Environment



1. SUMMARY

- 1.1 This report considers an objection to the recently advertised 24/7 permit parking zone for High Fernley Road and High Fernley Court, Wyke

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 Following the introduction of various traffic measures for Appleton Academy this Amendment to traffic regulation order, is being processed to pick up any anomalies and issues identified when the school first opened in 2012.
- 2.2 The new traffic regulation order includes all the properties within the schedule to the Permit parking aspect of the order, additional combination of business permit parking/limited waiting for a local business with no off-street parking facilities, additional waiting restrictions included to protect existing islands/bus operation and relocated the school bus stop away from the service stop/business, so it is adjacent to the school.
- 2.3 The objection is on the grounds that the severity of the restrictions on parking is far in excess of that which would be reasonable to prevent the undesirable congestion in the area of High Fernley Road and high Fernley Court, due to parking of vehicles delivering and collecting pupils from Appleton Academy at the start and end of the school day, Monday to Friday during term time. The total application of the restrictions prevents the reasonable use of street parking for visitors at other times of the day, at weekends and during school holidays. As each household is only allowed one visitor parking pass, only one vehicle is able to visit each address at a time. The objector finds it hard to believe the results of the study following the petition. The current arrangement restricts parking at times when there is no parking problem and this causes unnecessary inconvenience to residents and their visitors. This is not consistent with reasonable legislation.
- 2.4 A petition was considered by this committee on the 27th June, the petition wanted the 24/7 permit parking relaxing to 8am to 6pm, Monday to Friday. The Petition questionnaire was sent to 132 properties, asking the residents what they wanted either 24/7 or 8am to 6pm, Monday to Friday permit parking. The results were considered by committee on the 27th June, 39 households responded, 18 wanted change, whilst 21 were happy. The majority of the residents had not replied or asked for any changes to be made, committee's decision was that the petition be dismissed.

3. OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

- 3.1 The Ward Councillors continue to support the 24/7 permit parking zones/parking places.



4. FINANCIAL & RESOURCE APPRAISAL

4.1 There are no financial issues arising from this report.

5. RISK MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE ISSUES

5.1 There are no significant risks arising out of the implementation of the proposed recommendations.

6. LEGAL APPRAISAL

6.1 There are no specific legal issues arising from this report.

7. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

7.1 EQUALITY & DIVERSITY

7.1.1 There are no equality and diversity implications arising from this report.

7.2 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

7.2.1 There are no significant sustainability implications.

7.3 GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS IMPACTS

7.3.1 There are no greenhouse gas implications to this report.

7.4 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

8.4.1 There are benefits to community safety.

7.5 HUMAN RIGHTS ACT

7.5.1 There are no significant human rights implications arising from this matter.

7.6 TRADE UNION

7.6.1 There are no implications.

7.7 WARD IMPLICATIONS

7.7.1 There are no Ward implications.

7.8 AREA COMMITTEE ACTION PLAN IMPLICATIONS

7.8.1 The proposed measures included in this report support priorities within the Bradford South Area Committee Action Plan 2011-14.



8. NOT FOR PUBLICATION DOCUMENTS

8.1 None.

9. OPTIONS

9.1 From the 132 letters sent to all the properties, informing the residents of the Bradford South Area Committee's decision following the petition, only 1 household have objected during the advertising period, who want the 24/7 permit parking to be changed. The 24/7 permit parking measures are appropriate on these streets in close proximity to Appleton Academy serving the needs of the majority of the residents who live there, therefore there should be no change.

9.2 Members may choose an alternative solution.

10. RECOMMENDATIONS

10.1 That the committee's instructions are requested to consider the options set out in 9.1 and 9.2.

10.2 That the objector be informed of the decision.

11. APPENDICES

11.1 Appendix 1B – shows extents of area relating to the objections.

12. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

12.1 The Area Committee considered a Petition on the 27th June 2013, requesting the relaxation of the existing 24/7 permit parking zones/spaces and changing it to 8am to 6pm, on a Monday to Friday. Following a consultation with the residents, the results were reported to committee, the Committee decisions was that the petition be dismissed.

12.2 Scheme Reference No. 101536.



