

# Report of the Strategic Director, Place to the meeting of Bradford East Area Committee to be held on 12 October 2017.

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Subject:

HARROGATE ROAD, APPERLEY BRIDGE - OBJECTIONS RECEIVED TO A PROPOSED TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER

# Summary statement:

This report considers objections to the recently advertised proposal for No Waiting At Any Time restrictions on Harrogate Road, Apperley Bridge, Bradford.

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# 1.0 SUMMARY

1.1. This report considers objections to the recently advertised proposed No Waiting At Any Time restrictions on Harrogate Road, Apperley Bridge, Bradford.

# 2.0 BACKGROUND

- 2.1. Planning permission (REF: 14/05285/MAO) has been granted for the construction of up to 130 residential dwellings with associated access on Harrogate Road, Bradford. As part of the new signalised site access, a Traffic Regulation Order for No Waiting At Any Time restrictions is proposed to ensure the safe through passage of traffic.
- 2.2. The proposed waiting restrictions are shown on drawing No. TDG/THS/103444/GA-1B attached as Appendix 1 to this report.
- 2.3. The Traffic Regulation Order was formally advertised between 23rd May and 19<sup>th</sup> June 2017. In addition to the street notices publicising the proposal, letters were also sent to properties adjacent to the length of proposed waiting restrictions.
- 2.4. A total of 78 objections have been received. A summary of the valid points of objection and corresponding officer comments is tabulated below: -

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Objectors concerns	Officer comments
The reduction in the number of available parking spaces adjacent to St Johns Church will affect local community groups and nearby businesses. This may impact on the viability of St Johns Church as a community hub. There will be a transfer of parking associated with St Johns Church to nearby streets.	The proposal is for the minimum amount of yellow lining considered appropriate to maintain the safe through passage of vehicle. Harrogate Road is a public highway and as such its primary function is for the passage of traffic.
Disabled, Elderly and parents with young children visiting the church will have to park further away.	There are exemptions within the Traffic Regulation Order to allow passengers to board/alight on the yellow lines, and/or allow blue badge holders to park for up to 3 hours.
The proposal will encourage dangerous and illegal parking.	Parking Services are informed as and when any new waiting restrictions are introduced and requested to carry out appropriate enforcement action.
The order has been made without giving the public full knowledge of the impact of the scheme, including consideration of the proposed major improvement scheme at the Harrogate Road/New Line junction.	The proposals have been developed independently of the Harrogate Road/New Line major junction improvement due to the significant difference in scheme programme dates.

	The latter scheme has been the subject of its own local publicity exercise. Any further proposed waiting restrictions (for the Harrogate Road/New Line major junction improvement) will include appropriate public consultations.
The proposal should not proceed without the provision of alternative parking provision to mitigate for the loss of on- street parking.	There is no scope or budget within the current proposals to include for the provision of alternative off-street parking.
	However, if the measures that are the subject of this report were to be implemented, proposals for the Harrogate Road/New Line major junction improvement could be developed in the light the prevailing parking situation and to include consideration of any alternative parking options.
Public consultation has not taken place.	The proposals have been advertised via press notices, street notices and local letter drop.

- 2.4 Many of the objections also list a concern about the new housing site being an 'over development' in this area. The housing development has already attained planning permission and the specific issue being reported is the Traffic Regulation Order, therefore this concern is not being considered as part of this report.
- 2.5 An e-mail supporting the proposal has also been received. This is on the basis of the proposed waiting restrictions having a positive impact on cycling.

# 3.0 OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

3.1. Local ward members and the emergency services were consulted on the original proposals. Local ward members do not support these proposals.

# 4.0 FINANCIAL & RESOURCE APPRAISAL

4.1. The estimated cost of the proposals is £7,000. Funding to process the Traffic Regulation Order and implement the associated works has been provided by the developer

# 5.0 RISK MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE ISSUES

5.1. A failure to implement appropriate waiting restrictions at the new site access will leave a potential for vehicular conflict and safety issues at this junction.

## 6.0 LEGAL APPRAISAL

6.1. There are no specific issues arising from this report. The course of action proposed is in general accordance with the Councils power as Highway Authority.

# 7.0 OTHER IMPLICATIONS

### 7.1. EQUALITY & DIVERSITY

There are no issues arising from the Council's Equality & Diversity Strategy.

# 7.2. SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

There are no significant Sustainability implications arising from this report.

# 7.3. GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS IMPACTS

There is no impact on the Council's own and the wider District's carbon footprint and emissions from other greenhouse gases arising from this report.

#### 7.4. COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

The proposals are being promoted to ensure the safe passage of traffic at the new housing site access. There are exemptions within the Traffic Regulation Order to allow passengers to board/alight on the yellow lines, and/or allow blue badge holders to park for up to 3 hours.

#### 7.5. HUMAN RIGHTS ACT

None

# 7.6. TRADE UNION

None

# 7.7. WARD IMPLICATIONS

Ward members have been consulted on the proposals.

# 7.8. AREA COMMITTEE ACTION PLAN IMPLICATIONS

None

# 8.0 NOT FOR PUBLICATION DOCUMENTS

None

# 9.0 OPTIONS

9.1. Councillors may propose an alternative course of action on which they will receive appropriate officer advice.

# **10.0 RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 10.1. That the objections be overruled and the proposed No Waiting At Any Time restrictions on Harrogate Road be implemented as advertised.
- 10.2. That the objectors be informed accordingly.

# **11.0 APPENDICES**

Appendix 1 – drawing TDG/THS/103444/GA-1B

# **12.0 BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS**

12.1. File ref:TDG/THS/103444

#### **APPENDIX 1**

