

Report of the Strategic Director Place to the meeting of Bradford South Area Committee to be held on 15 February 2024

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Subject:

Coppice Wood Avenue, Bradford - Petition

Summary statement:

This report considers a petition requesting the removal of an existing residents only permit parking scheme on Coppice Wood Avenue.

EQUALITY & DIVERSITY:

It is expected that there would be no disproportionate impact from the recommendation within this report.

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1. SUMMARY

1.1. This report considers a petition requesting the removal of an existing residents only permit parking scheme on Coppice Wood Avenue.

2. BACKGROUND

2.1. Background information is provided in Appendix 1 to this report.

3. OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

3.1. Local ward members have been consulted.

4. FINANCIAL & RESOURCE APPRAISAL

4.1. There are no direct financial implications associated with the recommendations within this report. If the removal of the permit parking scheme is approved this would be subject to funding as part of a future schemes programme.

5. RISK MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE ISSUES

5.1. There may be a supressed demand for non-residential parking on Coppice Wood Avenue that is currently managed by the presence of the permit parking scheme. If such parking issues arise following the removal of permit parking, it is unlikely that funding would be available to reinstate the scheme in the foreseeable future.

6. LEGAL APPRAISAL

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

7. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

7.1. SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

7.1.1. None

7.2. TACKLING THE CLIMATE EMERGENCY IMPLICATIONS

7.2.1. The recommendations within this report will not directly tackle the Climate Emergency or help reduce carbon emissions.

7.3. COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

7.3.1. There are no community safety implications arising from the report recommendations.

7.4. HUMAN RIGHTS ACT

7.4.1. There are no implications on the Human Rights Act

7.5. TRADE UNION

7.5.1. There are no implications for the Trade Unions.

7.6. WARD IMPLICATIONS

7.6.1. Ward members have been consulted on the petition.

7.7. AREA COMMITTEE LOCALITY PLAN IMPLICATIONS

7.7.1. There are no relevant priorities within the Bradford Moor ward plan.

7.8. IMPLICATIONS FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

7.8.1. None

7.9. ISSUES ARISING FROM PRIVACY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

7.9.1. None

8. NOT FOR PUBLICATION DOCUMENTS

8.1. None

9. OPTIONS

9.1. Members may propose alternative actions from those recommended on which they will receive appropriate officer advice.

10. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 10.1. That the request to remove the existing permit parking on Coppice Wood Avenue (and Grove) be added to the waiting list for a Traffic Regulation Order to be considered as and when future Safe Roads budgets are prioritised.
- 10.2. That the lead petitioner be informed accordingly.

11. APPENDICES

11.1. Appendix 1 – Petition Coppice Wood Avenue, Bradford

12. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

12.1. None.

Petition Coppice Wood Avenue, Bradford (24 signatures)

Background information

The petition states:

"We the undersigned petition the Council to remove permit parking from Coppice Wood Avenue, Lidget Green, Bradford BD7 2JA. Justification: Our street has not been used by the school next to us for number of years. The parents don't come down the streets to drop their children off nor do the children walk down the streets. A small gate previously used in the fencing is now locked. This can be verified by the school. We the residents are coming foul of the law parking outside our houses. Failing to renew permits in time and facing fines."

The petition was originally presented to full Council on 12 December 2023 where it was resolved:

That the petition be referred to Bradford South Area Committee for further consideration.

Officer comments

Permit parking was introduced on Coppice Wood Avenue and Grove circa 2015/16. It is assumed that it was originally implemented to prevent conflict with parking associated with the nearby school.

All on-street parking restrictions (including permit parking) are implemented by promotion of a Traffic Regulation Order. A similar Order is required to reverse the process and thereby remove and such schemes. There is a significant financial implication to such Orders and therefore these can only be promoted in small numbers each year subject to the availability of funding as part of the Safe Roads programme.

The petition has 24 signatures which represent 21 of the 28 households on Coppice Wood Avenue. There are a further 9 properties on Coppice Wood Grove which is part of the same permit parking scheme. If a scheme to remove the existing permit parking were to be promoted, this would involve full consultation with all households that form part of the existing scheme.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the request to remove the existing permit parking on Coppice Wood Avenue (and Grove) be added to the waiting list for a Traffic Regulation Order to be considered as and when future Safe Roads budgets are prioritised.

APPENDIX 1

