

# Report of the Strategic Director, Regeneration to the meeting of Bradford South Area Committee to be held on 30 June 2016.

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## Subject:

**BURNHAM AVENUE, BRADFORD – REQUEST FOR DISABLED PERSONS PARKING PLACE (EXCEPTION TO POLICY)**

## Summary statement:

This report considers an application for a Disabled Persons Parking Place where the applicant does not meet all the Policy criteria.

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## Portfolio:

**Regeneration, Planning and Transport**

## Overview & Scrutiny Area:

**Environment and Waste Management**



## **1.0 SUMMARY**

1.1 This report considers an application for a Disabled Persons Parking Place where the applicant does not meet all the Policy criteria.

## **2.0 BACKGROUND**

2.1 The resident of 80 Burnham Avenue has submitted an application for a Disabled Persons Parking Place outside their property. There is a primary school in close proximity and parking is at a premium on this section of Burnham Avenue at school start and finish times. There is also demand for on-street parking generated by adjacent houses and associated visitors. The applicant does not have any off-street parking provision and thereby relies on the availability of parking on Burnham Avenue to gain convenient access to their property.

2.2 The criteria for eligibility for a Disabled Persons Parking Place require that the applicant:

- i. Holds a Disabled Person's Blue Badge.
- ii. Has a vehicle registered at their place of residence.
- iii. Does not have accessible off-street parking e.g. hard standing or garage
- iv. Receives either:
  - a) the Higher Rate Mobility component of Disability Living Allowance, or
  - b) the Higher Rate of Attendance Allowance
  - c) the Mobility component of a Personal Independence Payment (PIP)

2.3 The applicant for 80 Burnham Avenue meets 3 of the 4 criteria listed in para. 2.2, but will not qualify to apply for the Higher Rate Mobility component of Disability Living Allowance until February 2017, due to the length of residency in the UK. Given the medical evidence supplied, it is expected that such an application would be successful.

2.4 A plan showing the indicative location of a Disabled Persons Parking Place outside 80 Burnham Avenue is attached as Appendix 1.

## **3.0 OTHER CONSIDERATIONS**

3.1 The applicant has provided supporting medical evidence in the form of letters from a consultant paediatric neurologist at Leeds General Infirmary. The letters confirm congenital muscular dystrophy, a difficulty in maintaining posture, help with feeding, and respiratory impairment with the use of a cough assist machine. The applicant has also undergone surgery to have a growing rod implanted into his spine to aid posture and continued growth which will require regular replacement as he grows older. The applicant requires hourly turning at night to prevent choking and is also using a wheelchair to move around.

3.2 As part of the Disabled Persons Parking Place application investigation process, officers undertake consultations with adjacent neighbours to determine if there are any objections to the proposal. This consultation is usually undertaken as a second stage, following successful verification of the criteria being met. In this instance, however, the consultation has already



been undertaken (to avoid a scenario whereby the Area Committee approves the exception to the policy but the application then meets with objections from neighbours, thus requiring a further report to the Area Committee).

#### **4.0 FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE APPRAISAL**

4.1 A budget of £6,000 for the provision of Disabled Persons Parking Places across the Bradford South constituency has been approved as part of the 2016/17 Safer Roads schemes programme. If approved, this parking place would be implemented as part of the overall programme of Disabled Persons Parking Places in Bradford South

#### **5.0 RISK MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE ISSUES**

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

#### **6.0 LEGAL APPRAISAL**

6.1 The options contained in this report are within the Council's powers as Highway Authority and Traffic Regulation Authority.

#### **7.0 OTHER IMPLICATIONS**

##### **7.1 EQUALITY & DIVERSITY**

Due regard has been given to Section 149 of the Equality Act when determining the proposals in this report.

##### **7.2 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS**

There are no 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 gasses arising from this report.

##### **7.4 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS**

None.

##### **7.5 HUMAN RIGHTS ACT**

None

##### **7.6 TRADE UNION**

None



## **7.7 WARD IMPLICATIONS**

Ward members have been consulted on the application.

## **7.8 AREA COMMITTEE WARD PLAN IMPLICATIONS**

7.8.1 None

## **8.0 NOT FOR PUBLICATION DOCUMENTS**

8.1 None

## **9.0 OPTIONS**

9.1 That the Bradford South Area Committee approves an application for the installation of a Disabled Persons Parking Place at 80 Burnham Avenue as an exception to the policy.

9.2 That the Bradford South Area Committee refuses an application for the installation of a Disabled Persons Parking Place at 80 Burnham Avenue in accordance with the policy.

## **10.0 RECOMMENDATIONS**

10.1 That the Bradford South Area Committee determines whether or not to allow an exception to the Disabled Persons Parking Places policy for an application for 80 Burnham Avenue.

10.2 That the applicant be informed accordingly.

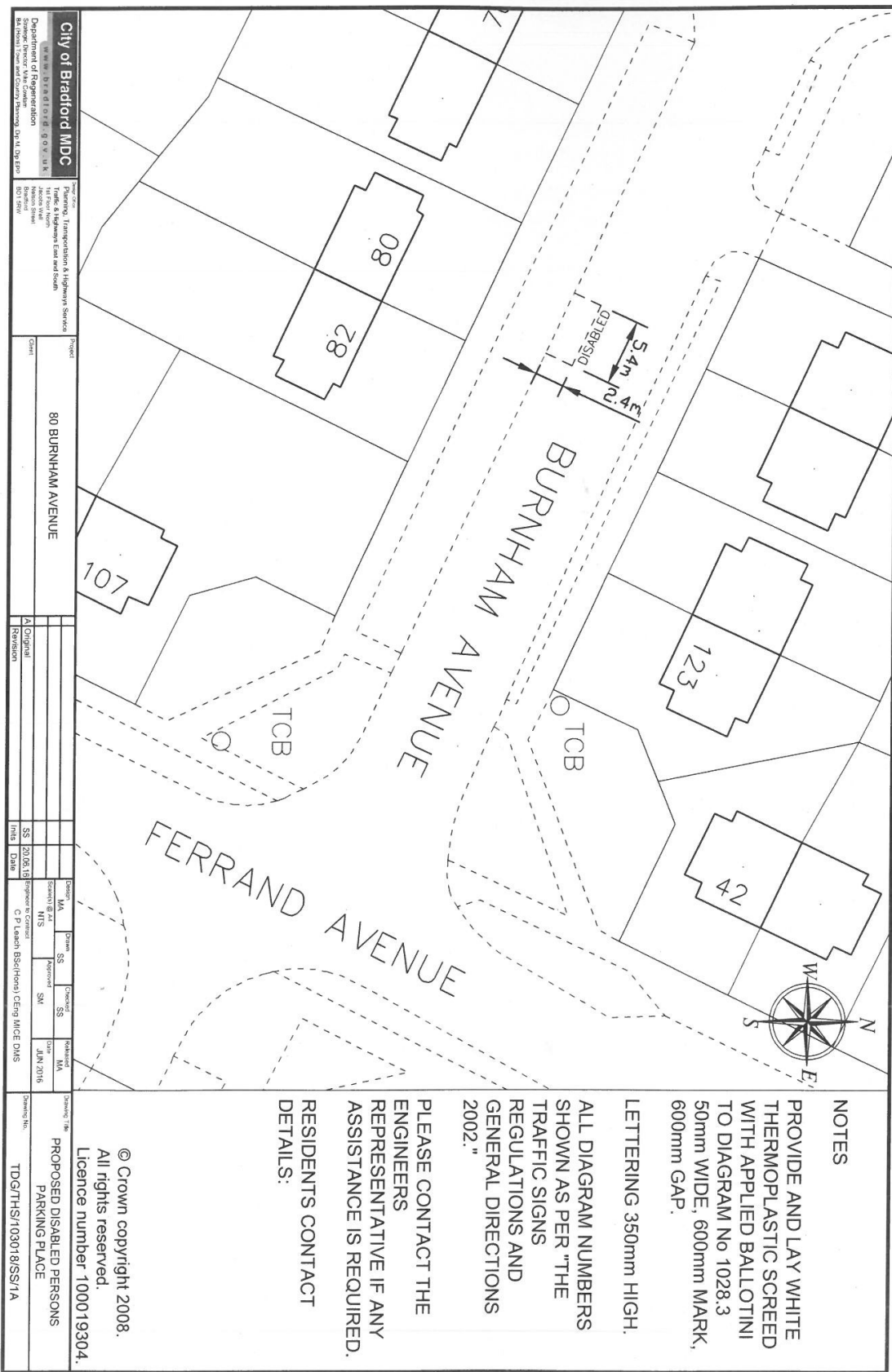
## **11.0 APPENDICES**

11.1 Appendix A – Location Plan

## **12.0 BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS**

12.1 City of Bradford Metropolitan District Council File Ref:TDG/THS/BS/103383





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PROPOSED DISABLED PERSONS PARKING PLACE

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