

ROTHERHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL – REPORT TO MEMBERS

1.	Meeting:	Cabinet Member and Advisers for Regeneration and Development
2.	Date:	Monday 7th April 2014
3.	Title:	Proposed No waiting at Any Time restrictions, St Ann's Road, Eastwood.
4.	Directorate:	Environment and Development Services

5. Summary

To seek Cabinet Member approval not to accede to an objection to the proposed introduction of no waiting at any time waiting restrictions on St. Ann's Road Eastwood.

6. Recommendations

It is recommended Cabinet Member resolve that:

- i) **The objections to the proposed scheme be not acceded to.**
- ii) **The objector be informed of the decision and the reasons why.**
- iii) **The Director of Legal and Democratic service makes the proposed Traffic Regulation Order as advertised.**

7. Proposals and Details

The proposed introduction of 'No Waiting at Any Time' restrictions around the service road adjacent to St Ann's Road roundabout (Appendix 1) is in response to an increase in commuter and shopper parking at this location. This causes an obstruction of dropped kerbs and private driveways, making it difficult for pedestrians, cyclists and those in mobility scooters to reach the ramped access to the subway.

In order to deter parking in this location it is proposed to introduce 'No Waiting at Any Time' restrictions on both sides of the service road to aid with the free and safe movement of traffic including pedestrians and cyclists at this location. Proposed waiting restrictions are shown on the attached Drawing Number 126/18/TT589 (Appendix 2).

Consultation with Statutory Consultees and Ward Members took place in March 2012, with no objections received. The proposed Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) was advertised on street and in the Rotherham Advertiser on 23rd of September

2013. In addition consultation letters were also sent to businesses and residential properties adjacent to the proposed restrictions. A single objection

was received in response to this proposal. The objection was made on the grounds that the proposal would seriously reduce available long term parking at this location; a copy of this objection is attached as Appendix 1.

The objection also states that no vehicles have ever been seen to block the dropped kerbs present at the location and therefore questions the validity of the proposal, putting forward an alternative in which part of the restrictions would be omitted, leaving only short sections. However the Transportation and Highways Unit have in the past received several requests from the Police via Rotherham South Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT) for restrictions in this location due to complaints from the public of vehicles causing an 'Unnecessary Obstruction' of the dropped kerbs. Additionally long stay parking opportunities are available in the off street car park adjacent to Fitzwilliam Road and at other points around the town centre; however there is a charge to use these car parks.

7. Finance.

Minimal cost associated with the introduction of the yellow lines.

8. Risks and Uncertainties

Should the objection be acceded to and the proposed restrictions not be implemented then obstruction of the dropped kerbs at this location will continue with the result that pedestrians (and especially those with electric wheelchairs/scooters) will be prevented from easily accessing the town centre.

9. Policy and Performance Agenda Implications

This proposal would help to meet the aims of the corporate plan under Improving the Environment which includes reduced CO2 emissions and lower levels of air pollution, and more people are cycling, walking or using public transport.

10. Background Papers and Consultation

Ward Members have been consulted; and all broadly support the Councils views on this matter,

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