

**ROTHERHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL – REPORT TO MEMBERS**

<b>1.</b>	<b>Meeting:</b>	<b>Cabinet Member and Advisers for Planning, Highways and Street Scene Services</b>
<b>2.</b>	<b>Date:</b>	<b>Monday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2014</b>
<b>3.</b>	<b>Title:</b>	<b>The proposed Rotherham Hospital Residents Parking Zone</b>
<b>4.</b>	<b>Directorate:</b>	<b>Environment and Development Services</b>

**5. Summary**

To inform Cabinet Member of the outcome of statutory consultations and comments from residents on the proposed hospital parking zone

**6. Recommendations**

**Cabinet Member is asked to resolve that**

- (i) The objections received should not be acceded to and that residents only parking Monday – Friday 9am to 4pm be introduced on Queensway, Norfolk Way, part of Hallam Road and Sitwell Drive as shown on drawing No 126/18/TT589**
  - (ii) No waiting at any time parking restrictions be introduced on Sitwell Grove as shown drawing no 126/18/TT589**
  - (iii) No waiting at any time parking restrictions be introduced on Beaconsfield Road as shown on drawing No 126/18/TT589**
  - (iv) The concerns about vehicles migrating to adjacent roads be noted**
  - (v) That the petitioners and residents be informed accordingly.**
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## **7. Proposals and Details**

Cabinet Member may recall considering the outcome of consultations on the proposed hospital parking zones and a previous resolution to:-

- introduce residents only parking Monday – Friday 9am to 4pm be introduced on Queensway, Norfolk Way, part of Hallam Road and Sitwell Drive as shown on drawing No 126/18/TT589
- Implement No waiting at any time parking restrictions be introduced on Sitwell Grove as shown drawing no 126/18/TT589
- Introduce No waiting at any time parking restrictions be introduced on Beaconsfield Road as shown on drawing No 126/18/TT590

Minute No 93 of 14/02/ 2014 refers.

Subsequently, all residents were informed of this resolution and statutory notices were placed both on street and in the local newspaper.

A number of comments were received as a result and these have been summarised in Appendix A.

The main concern expressed was the risk of vehicles migrating from Queensway onto adjacent roads, in particular Mortain Road and Lymister Avenue. Migrating traffic is always a risk for when restrictions to parking are implemented. To reduce this risk, it was initially proposed to restrict parking on the whole of the estate. However even though residents were made aware of this risk in the original consultation, there was insufficient support for an area wide scheme, so a reduced proposal covering Sitwell Drive, Queensway part of Hallam Road and Norfolk way has been promoted.

The concerns about migrating traffic should be noted, but it is recommended that the reduced scheme as shown on drawing No 126/18/TT589 should be implemented. Once this scheme is operational, the parking levels on adjacent roads will be monitored and if necessary further parking restrictions such as “no waiting” or “residents only” will be considered subject to sufficient support from residents.

## **8. Finance**

Rotherham Hospital Trust previously entered into an agreement to fund the establishment and initial setup costs of a residents’ parking zone as part of planning application which was later withdrawn The proposal will cost in the region of £30,000 and will now be funded by the Local Transport Plan Integrated Transport Block grant for 2014/15.

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## **9. Risks and Uncertainties**

Non residential parking maybe displaced on to adjacent streets.

There is a high level of off street car parking available in the area. If there is low demand from residents to purchase parking permits, this may affect the ability to administer and enforce the proposed parking zone on a long term basis, and could put pressure on other Council budgets.

## **10. Policy and Performance Agenda Implications**

The proposals are in line with objectives set out in the Sheffield City Region Transport Strategy / Local Transport Plan 3; policy S “to encourage active travel and develop high quality cycling and walking networks”, policy W “to encourage safer road use and reduce casualties on our roads”, policy Y “to focus safety efforts on vulnerable road groups”.

## **11. Background Papers and Consultation**

Appendix A – Summary of comments and objections

Appendix B - Petition from 50 Lymister Avenue

The original proposals have been discussed with the Boston Castle and Sitwell Ward Members.

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