

DRAFT PORTFOLIO HOLDER DECISION NOTICE

PROPOSED INDIVIDUAL DECISION BY THE PORTFOLIO HOLDER FOR THE ENVIRONMENT

TOPIC - TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER ST MATTHEWS ROAD, WINCHESTER

PROCEDURAL INFORMATION

The Access to Information Procedure Rules – Part 4, Section 22 of the Council's Constitution provides for a decision to be made by an individual member of Cabinet.

In accordance with the Procedure Rules, the Head of Legal Services (Interim), the Chief Executive and the Strategic Director: Resources are consulted together with Chairman and Vice Chairman of The Overview and Scrutiny Committee and any other relevant overview and scrutiny committee. In addition, all Members are notified.

If five or more Members from those informed so request, the Leader may require the matter to be referred to Cabinet for determination.

If you wish to make representation on this proposed Decision please contact the relevant Portfolio Holder and the following Democratic Services Officer by 5.00pm on 1 February 2019

Contact Officers:

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SUMMARY

- Changes to the waiting restrictions in St Matthews Road, Winchester were requested by the potential developer of 49 Stoney Lane to facilitate the possible introduction of a proposed new development.
- To accommodate two new proposed accesses onto St Matthews Road it would be necessary to remove a short section of the existing parking bay and replace it with single yellow lines. To mitigate this it is proposed to introduce an alternative parking bay further along St Matthews Road so that there is no overall reduction in the provision of on-street parking spaces.

- The changes will only be introduced if the planning consent is approved. The fees for processing/implementing the TRO are not conditional on the subsequent planning consent being approved and are non-returnable even if the TRO or the planning application is not successful.
- The TRO proposal has been undertaken on the full understanding that it will not prejudge any subsequent planning application.
- The proposed changes were advertised on 31 January 2018. Notices were posted on street in the immediate vicinity of the proposed changes, published in the Mid Hants Observer, placed on the Council's website and held on deposit in the City Office reception. In addition to this residents in the immediate vicinity were notified in writing. 9 responses were received in relation to the proposal.
- The responses were mainly questioning why a TRO was being pursued in advance/separately to a planning application. The reason for this was explained and assurances were given that the TRO would only be introduced if planning consent was approved and that even if the TRO was successful it would not in any way prejudge the planning application process.
- Some respondents also questioned the safety implications of the proposed changes, but the proposal is in accordance with visibility guidance and complies with highway regulations.
- The proposal is in keeping with the Corporate Priorities in its attempt to improve traffic management, road safety and the environment.
- The cost of implementing the proposal is funded by the developer. There will be no additional enforcement costs.
- Copy of the plan showing the location and extent of the proposal is attached (Appendix 1).
- Copy of proposed schedule and statement of reasons is attached (Appendix 2).
- Copies of the responses received are attached (Appendix 3).

PROPOSED DECISION

- 1. That restrictions be introduced as detailed in the schedule attached *subject to planning consent being approved* (Appendix 2).
- 2. That the Head of Legal (Interim) be authorised to make the necessary order *subject to planning consent being approved*.

REASON FOR THE **PROPOSED** DECISION AND OTHER ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED

See Summary.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

- The cost of advertising the proposed changes to the traffic regulation order has been covered by the fees already paid by the developer.
- The cost of implementing the traffic regulation order, subject to planning consent being approved, will be covered by the fees already paid by the developer.
- There will be no increase in enforcement resources or costs.

DATA PROTECTION IMPACT ASSESSMENT

None required.

CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN ON THE PROPOSED DECISION

Requests for consent to proceed to formal advertisement was sent to all local Ward Members, County Councillor, Police and WCC Head of Parking Services & CCTV and duly confirmed.

Proposal notices were posted on street in the immediate vicinity of the proposed changes, published in the Mid Hants Observer, placed on the Council's website and held on deposit in the City Office reception.

Residents in the immediate vicinity of the proposal were notified in writing.

Senior Officers have been consulted on this draft decision notice.

All Members will be consulted via the Portfolio Holder Decision Notice.

FURTHER ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED FOLLOWING PUBLICATION OF THE DRAFT PORTFOLIO HOLDER DECISION NOTICE

N/A

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS BY THE DECISION MAKER OR A MEMBER OR OFFICER CONSULTED

None

DISPENSATION GRANTED BY THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE

N/A

Approved by: (signature)

Date of Decision

Councillor Warwick – Portfolio Holder for Environment

APPENDICES

- 1 Copy of plan showing the location and extent of the proposal
- 2 Copy of statement of reasons and schedule
- 3 Summary of responses received