

July 2014		ITEM
Delegated Decision Report		
RECTORY ROAD AND FORDHAMS ROW – OBJECTIONS TO PROPOSAL TO IMPLEMENT PARKING RESTRICTIONS		
Portfolio Holder: Councillor P Smith – Public Protection		
Wards and communities affected: Orsett Ward	Key Decision: No	
Accountable Head of Service: Ann Osola, Head of Transportation and Highways		
Accountable Director: David Bull, Director of Planning and Transportation		
This report is Public		
Purpose of Report: To consider objections to a proposal to implement parking restrictions on the junction of Rectory Road and Fordhams Row, Orsett.		

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

A statutory consultation was carried out on a proposal to implement 'No Waiting At Any Time' parking restrictions on the junction of Rectory Road and Fordhams Row, Orsett, 3 letters of objection and 1 letter of support was received to the proposal.

1. RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1.1 It is recommended that following consideration of the objections, the objections are not upheld and the double yellow line parking restrictions are implemented as proposed.**
- 1.2 It is further recommended that the objectors are notified accordingly.**

2. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND:

- 2.1 Funding was allocated within the 2013/14 Integrated Transport Programme to implement community requests at various sites around the borough where problems have been identified or requests have been received from members of the community for works such as parking restrictions.**
- 2.2 As part of the new development of the Orsett Estate parking restrictions were implemented on a majority of the junctions to enable for good visibility for drivers. The junction of Fordhams Row and Rectory Road was included in the original consultation but an objection was received and the decision was**

made not to proceed with restrictions at this junction. Since the restrictions have been implemented we have received a request from a resident of Fordhams Road to improve the visibility by restricting parking.

- 2.3 A Statutory consultation was carried out between 14th February 2014 and 17th March 2014, 3 letters of objections and 1 letter of support were received in total to this proposal. 1 of the objectors is a resident of Fordhams Row, 1 is a resident of Rectory Road and 1 is a Ward Member and the letter of support is from a resident of Fordhams Row.

3. ISSUES AND/OR OPTIONS:

- 3.1 Fordhams Row is a very narrow road with poor visibility at its junction with Rectory Road and Rectory Road is a main road into Orsett therefore safety is a concern with visibility due to vehicles that are regularly parked in close proximity of the junction.
- 3.2 The nature of the objection is that a resident raised concerns with the length of the proposed restrictions due to the impact this would have on residents and their visitors, and the displaced parking this would cause. The length of the proposed restriction is standard 10m junction protection. This was proposed as this junction has very restricted visibility as it is a single track entrance/exit on to a main road. Therefore it is recommended that the restrictions are implemented as advertised.
- 3.3 At a general level, it is important to ensure that delegated decisions are taken by the appropriate officer, and that the origin of the delegation can be readily identified in case of future challenge.

In this instance, should parking restrictions be carried forward to implementation, they would be subject to the making of a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO). Under the provision of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, local authorities can implement TRO's, designed to regulate, restrict or prohibit the use of a road or any part of the width of a road by vehicular traffic or pedestrians. A TRO may take effect at all times or during specified periods, and certain classes of traffic may be exempted from a TRO.

Permanent TRO's are subject to the Local Authorities Traffic Orders (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulations 1996, which impose various legal requirements prior to the making of an order. These requirements include publishing a notice of the proposals in a local newspaper and allowing potential objectors 21 days to make representations. It is incumbent on the Council to take account of any representations made as a consequence of such an advertisement.

- 3.4 Should parking restrictions be implemented as recommended, the cost will be approximately £200 and would be funded from the Community Request code E1750 9881 00000. There is sufficient funding available for these projects.
- 3.5 There are no diversity and equality implications noted in this report.

4. CONSULTATION (including Overview and Scrutiny, if applicable)

Ward Members were consulted on the content of this report between 10th July 2014 and 18th July 2014. Cllr S Little is concerned that the parking will be dispersed. No other comments were received during this period.

5. IMPACT ON CORPORATE POLICIES, PRIORITIES, PERFORMANCE AND COMMUNITY IMPACT

5.1 These actions accord with the Council priorities to create a safer environment.

6. IMPLICATIONS

6.1 Financial

Implications verified by: Mark Terry
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Financial implications are included in the body of the report.

6.2 *Legal*

Implications verified by: Alison Stuart- Principal Solicitor
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Legal implications are included in the body of the report.

6.3 Diversity and Equality

Implications verified by: Teresa Evans
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No Equality and Diversity implications

6.4 Other implications (where significant) – i.e. Section 17, Risk Assessment, Health Impact Assessment, Sustainability, IT, Environmental

None

7. CONCLUSION

7.1 For safety reasons it is recommended that the parking restrictions are implemented to improve the visibility when exiting the junction.

BACKGROUND PAPERS USED IN PREPARING THIS REPORT:

- Letters of objection
- Letter of support

APPENDICES TO THIS REPORT:

- None

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E02. EXECUTIVE DECISIONS BY A CABINET MEMBER OR AN OFFICER


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C. Decision Maker: Ann Osola	
D. Position held: Head of Transportation and Highways	
E. Key decision: YES/NO NO	F. Delegation ref:
G. Is the decision urgent? YES/NO NO	
H. If yes, state why.	

I. DECISION (strike out whichever does not apply) :

1. I agree the recommendations in the attached report for the reasons given in the report; ~~eft-~~
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Signed: ;/-. \.(.  Date: ICIII gJr'+-

URGENCY

Democratic Services will arrange for the completion of the following:

J. I confirm that in my opinion a decision on this matter is urgent

and cannot reasonably be delayed:

Signed:

Date:

To be completed by Democratic Services

Date decision received by Dem. Services:	Date decision published:
Implementation date:	
Relevant O & S Committee:	