

DECISION RECORD ¹

**SUBJECT: PUBLIC NOTICE TO ADVERTISE,
THE HERTFORDSHIRE (HORNS ROAD, HERTFORD) (RESTRICTION OF WAITING)
ORDER 2017;
THE HERTFORDSHIRE (HORNS ROAD, HERTFORD) (ONE WAY TRAFFIC) ORDER 2017;
THE HERTFORDSHIRE (HORNS ROAD, HERTFORD) (PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) ORDER
2017;
THE HERTFORDSHIRE (WEST STREET, HERTFORD) (20MPH SPEED LIMIT) ORDER
2017.**

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Executive Member: Ralph Sangster

Portfolio: Highways

1. Decision:

- To proceed with the implementation of "20 mph speed limit" as advertised'
- To undertake further consultation on slightly more extensive waiting restrictions on Horns Road and,
- Not to consider at this time the introduction of physical width restriction with No entry at the Horns Road/Bullocks Lane junction.

2. Reasons for the decision:

- The proposals are to introduce 20 mph speed limit along West Street in order to improve speed of vehicles.

The proposed '20 mph speed Limit' was designed to:

- Ensure free flow of traffic and
- Improve the speed of vehicles.

2.1 Informal consultation stage (18th November - 4th December 2015)

Consultees' consulted:	15
Replies:	3
Support part of the measures:	2
No Objection:	1
Object:	None
Residents consulted:	117
Replies:	47
Support:	42 in favour of 20 mph speed limit, 28 in favour of No entry, 24 in favour of 'At any time' waiting restrictions (double yellow lines (DYLs)).

2.2 Formal consultation stage (26th Jan – 16th Feb 2017)

Consultees' replies:	1
Support:	None
No Objection	1
Object:	None

Residents' replies:	30
Support:	13
Support/Object:	5
Comments only:	3
Object:	9

Residents and businesses that were informally consulted were informed of the consultation results. The schemes were to progress to formal consultation with:

- (a) 20 mph speed limit on West Street,
- (b) Waiting restrictions on Horns Road and,
- (c) A physical width restriction with No entry at the Horns Road/Bullocks Lane junction.

During formal consultation, we received a reply from the Hertfordshire constabulary (HC) who raised no objection.

There were 9 objections received and 5 support/object comments to some of the measures mainly the extent of DYs and the width restriction with No entry. Also some respondents asked The Hertfordshire County Council (HCC) to consider "residents parking scheme" for the area.

Having fully considered the grounds of the objections, the decision was reached to implement the 20 mph speed limit for the area as consulted; to re-consult on the extent of the proposed DYs and not to consider at this time the introduction of physical width restriction with No entry at the Horns Road/Bullocks Lane junction.

3.1 Alternative options considered and rejected ²

There were objections on the proposed DYs and the No entry proposal; these measures have been differed for further consultation and not to consider them at this time. The request for "Residents Parking Scheme" cannot be considered by HCC as this function is undertaken by East Herts District Council (EHDC).

4. Consultation:

- (a) Comments of Executive Member ^{2 3}

Consulted on the 6th July 2017 and confirmed agreement for proposed decision and for the scheme to proceed via e-mail on 12th July 2017.

- (b) Comments of other consultees ⁴

The list below shows the local county member(s) and other Consultees who were consulted at informal stage of the process;

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- Consultees consulted at Informal consultation stage:
CClir. Peter Ruffles,
District Councillors: Bob Deering, Suzzanne Rutland, Kevin Brush,
Town Clerk – Hertford,
East Herts District Council (EHDC) enquiries and Parking,
Peter Nicholls – Hertfordshire Constabulary (HC),
Frank Gollogly - Fire & Rescue Service,
Network Management East Herts,
Gary Skinner – PTU,
Claire Edmond, Margaret Addison - Ambulance Service,
West Street Residents Association (WSRA) - John Page, Andrew Sangster, Emma Healey and Mary Oldham.
- Consultees consulted at formal consultation stage:
CClir. Peter Ruffles,
EHDC – Kingsbury Dominique,
Frank Gollogly- Fire & Rescue Service,
John Hurst, Christopher Richards – Quality Monitoring/Enforcement Team,
Peter Nicholls - HC,
Traffic Orders – (trafficorders@here.com),
Tracy Winder - Ambulance Service,
Hertfordshire County Council Land Charges and
Network Management East Herts.

The HC stated they had no objection; the assumption is that EHDC are then willing to enforce.

The decision to proceed with 20 mph speed limit and to re-consult on the extent of the proposed DYs and not to consider at this time the introduction of physical width restriction with No entry at Horns Road/Bullocks Lane junction was supported by the then County Councillor Peter Ruffles in a meeting with Council officers on 24th April 2017.

5. Following consultation with, and the concurrence of the Executive Member, I am proceeding with the proposed decision.

Signed:

Title: Highway Locality Manager

Date: 12/7/17

6. Copies of agreed document to:

- All consultees
- Chairman, and Vice-Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee
- Hard & electronic copy (for public inspection both at County Hall and on www.hertfordshire.gov.uk) Assistant Head of Member Services - Room 211 County Hall.

¹ for guidance see Chief Legal Officer's note "Taking Decisions"

² record any conflict of interest declared by any Executive Member consulted. If an Executive Member declares a conflict of interest DO NOT PROCEED without seeking advice from the Chief Legal Officer

³ If the matter has general significance for the Council and/or is, or is likely to be, controversial, then the officer shall consult the appropriate Executive Member before proceeding. In some cases it will be necessary to consult more than one Executive Member, and in some cases the Leader of the Council will need to be consulted

⁴ If the matter has local significance, but no general significance for the Council and no controversial aspects, the officer shall consult or inform the local member in writing (or by e mail) and proceed. It is essential that all officers responsible for delivering services ensure that local members are kept well briefed on issues affecting their areas.