DECISION RECORD

SUBJECT: PUBLIC NOTICE TO ADVERTISE THE HERTFORDSHIRE (SOUTH STREET, BISHOP'S STORTFORD) (PARKING PLACE) ORDER 2017

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Executive Member: Terry Douris  
Portfolio: Highways

1. Decision:

   • To proceed with the implementation of:
     ○ No waiting 8:30pm to 8:30am, Monday to Sunday along South Street in the vicinity of 107A and Kwik Fit.
     ○ Parking place effective 8:30am to 6:30pm, Monday to Sunday, limited to 2 hours waiting, No return within 60 minutes along South Street in the vicinity of 107A and Kwik Fit.

2. Reasons for the decision:

   • The proposals are to introduce No waiting 6:30pm to 8:30am, Monday to Sunday and parking place effective 8:30am to 6:30pm, Monday to Sunday, limited to 2 hours waiting, No return within 60 minutes along South Street in the vicinity of 107A and Kwik Fit following concerns received about congestion and inconsiderate parking.

   The proposed scheme was designed to:

   • Maintain access and visibility for both pedestrians and vehicular traffic,
   • Provide limited waiting parking place,
   • Ensure free flow of traffic and
   • Discourage inconsiderate parking.

2.1 Informal consultation stage (2nd – 23rd September 2016)

Consultees' consulted: 14
Replies: 2
Support:
Comments: 1
No Objection: 1
Object: None

Residents consulted: 50
Replies: 1
Support: 1
Object: None

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2.2 Formal consultation stage (26th January – 16th February 2017)

Consultees’ replies: 2
Support: None
No Objection 1
Comments: 1
Object: None

Residents’ replies: None
Support: None
Object: None

Residents/businesses that were informally consulted were informed of the consultation results. The scheme was to progress to formal consultation.

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

There were no objections received; therefore the decision is to proceed to sealing of the Order as advertised.

The measures are consistent with the Highway Code (rule 243) which states that “Do not stop or park anywhere you would prevent access for Emergency Services, at or near a bus or tram stop or taxi rank, opposite or within 10 metres (32 feet) of a junction, except in an authorised parking space, opposite a traffic island or (if this would cause an obstruction) another parked vehicle, where the kerb has been lowered to help wheelchair users and powered mobility vehicles, in front of an entrance to a property, on a bend, where you would obstruct cyclists’ use of cycle facilities except when forced to do so by stationary traffic.”

3.1 Alternative options considered and rejected

There were no other alternative options considered, the original options remained unchanged throughout the process.

4. Consultation:

(a) Comments of Executive Member

Consulted on the 20th March 2017 and confirmed agreement for proposed decision and for the scheme to proceed via e-mail on the same day.

(b) Comments of other consultees

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

- Consultees consulted at Informal consultation stage:

CCllr. Colin Woodward,
District Councillors: (George Cutting and Norma Symonds),
East Herts District Council (EHDC) enquiries and Parking,
Bishop’s Stortford Town Council,
Peter Nicholls and Guy McCallan – Hertfordshire Constabulary (HC),
Frank Gollogly - Fire & Rescue Service,
Network Management East Herts,
Gary Skinner – PTU,
Claire Edmond, Emma Coggins, Margaret Addison - Ambulance Services.

- Consultees consulted at formal consultation stage:
  Cllr. Colin Woodward,
  Kingsbury Dominique (EHDC)
  Frank Gollogly- Fire & Rescue Service,
  John Hurst, Christopher Richards – Quality Monitoring/Enforcement Team,
  Peter Nicholls - HC,
  Traffic Orders – (trafficorders@here.com),
  Emma Coggins and Clare Edmonds - Ambulance Service,
  Jolanta Duraj - 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 was supported by County Councillor Colin Woodward and
confirmed by e-mail on 17th March 2017.

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

Signed:

Neil Richardson

Title: Highway Locality Manager  Date: 2.03.17

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.