

## READING BOROUGH COUNCIL

### REPORT BY DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENT AND NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES

TO:	TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT SUB-COMMITTEE		
DATE:	15 JUNE 2016	AGENDA ITEM:	5(B)
TITLE:	PETITION FOR PERMIT PARKING IN MELROSE AVENUE		
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#### 1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1 To report to the Sub-Committee the receipt of a petition asking the Council for permit parking in Melrose Avenue.

#### 2. RECOMMENDED ACTION

- 2.1 That the Sub-Committee notes the report.
- 2.2 That the petition to introduce permit parking in Melrose Avenue is considered as a part of the 6-monthly Waiting Restriction Review programme and is reported back to a future meeting of the Sub-committee.
- 2.3 That the lead petitioner be informed accordingly.

#### 3. POLICY CONTEXT

- 3.1 The provision for permit parking and waiting restrictions is specified within existing Traffic Management Policies and Standards.

#### **4. THE PROPOSAL**

- 4.1 The Council has received a petition from residents of Melrose Avenue, which contains 31 signatures.
- 4.2 The wording of the petition reads: *'The residents of Melrose Avenue are concerned about parking problems in our road. These problems include: parking by residents of Bridges and Wessex Halls; University staff parking, exacerbated by the University charging for parking; "park and ride" into Reading; and cars associated with the significant number of HMOs in the area (whether registered or not). We believe that residents' parking might be a solution to these problems. We would like the Council to produce a scheme for our road and consult on it'.*
- 4.3 The Sub-committee is asked to note the petition and officers will report back their response to a future meeting of the Sub-committee.

#### **5. CONTRIBUTION TO STRATEGIC AIMS**

- 5.1 This proposal supports the aims and objectives of the Local Transport Plan and helps to deliver the following Corporate Plan Service Priorities:
- Keeping the town clean, green and active.
  - Providing infrastructure to support the economy.
  - Remaining financially sustainable to deliver these service priorities.

#### **6. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND INFORMATION**

- 6.1 The lead petitioner will be informed of the findings of the Sub-Committee.

#### **7. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 7.1 None arising from this report.

#### **8. EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT**

- 8.1 In addition to the Human Rights Act 1998 the Council is required to comply with the Equalities Act 2010. Section 149 of the Equalities Act 2010 requires the Council to have due regard to the need to:-
- eliminate discrimination, harassment, victimisation and any other conduct that is prohibited by or under this Act;

- advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it;
- foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it.

8.2 The Council will carry out an equality impact assessment scoping exercise prior to submitting the update report to a future meeting of the Sub-Committee.

## **9. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

9.1 None arising from this report.

## **10. BACKGROUND PAPERS**

10.1 None.