

**READING BOROUGH COUNCIL
REPORT BY DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENT, CULTURE & SPORT**

TO:	TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT SUB-COMMITTEE		
DATE:	2 NOVEMBER 2017	AGENDA ITEM:	7
TITLE:	WAITING RESTRICTION REVIEW 2017A: HAMILTON ROAD		
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1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1 To provide the Sub-Committee with recommended proposals for waiting restrictions on Hamilton Road. The decision regarding the level of restrictions to be implemented was deferred from the September 2017 meeting of the Sub-Committee, this street forming part of the 2017A Waiting Restriction Review programme.
- 1.2 APPENDIX 1 - Scheme proposed by ward Councillors.

2. RECOMMENDED ACTION

- 2.1 That the Members of the Sub-Committee note the report.
- 2.2 That the Sub-Committee agree either to implement the proposals as originally advertised, or not to proceed with the implementation of any waiting restrictions on Hamilton Road as a part of this review programme, as per Item 4.7.
- 2.3 That the proposals shown in Appendix 1 be considered as part of the East Reading Area Study.
- 2.4 That the Head of Legal and Democratic Services be authorised to seal the Traffic Regulation Order for the 2017A Waiting Restriction Review programme and no public inquiry be held into the proposals.
- 2.5 That the objectors be informed of the decision of the Sub-Committee accordingly, following publication of the meeting minutes.

3. POLICY CONTEXT

- 3.1 The provision of waiting/parking restrictions and associated criteria is specified within existing Traffic Management Policies and Standards.

4. THE PROPOSAL

- 4.1 At the Traffic Management Sub-Committee meeting in June 2017, concerns were raised about emergency vehicle access along Hamilton Road, due to the level and location of on-street parking. A motion was passed for statutory consultation on the installation of double yellow lines on the west side of the road. This statutory consultation was conducted as part of the waiting restriction review programme (2017A) and took place between 23rd August and 12th September 2017.
- 4.2 At the September 2017 meeting of the Sub-Committee, the objections to the proposal were reported and a decision was made to defer the implementation decision until November 2017, providing an opportunity for Ward Councillors and Officers to discuss available options.
- 4.3 It should be noted that until the final design for Hamilton Road is agreed, the Traffic Regulation Order for the 2017A Waiting Restriction Review programme cannot be sealed and the restrictions within this programme cannot be implemented.
- 4.4 Officers have met with a ward Councillor and Appendix 1 shows their recommendation for the scheme.
- 4.5 The proposed restrictions in Appendix 1 would address a couple of specific parking issues, namely the on-street parking of vehicles causing driveway access/egress/visibility difficulties.
- 4.6 Officers agreed that the restrictions warrant further investigation, however, they do not address the original justification for the statutory consultation (facilitating emergency vehicle access). Officers are of the opinion that the implementation of these restrictions under this Waiting Restriction Review programme could lead to challenges on the legal processes that the Council has followed. It is also recommended that these are considered in the wider context of the East Reading Area Study.
- 4.7 Officers have not received any proposals for a reduced scheme that still fulfils the objectives of the original proposal, so Officers recommend that the Sub-Committee agrees to one of the following options, while considering the objections reported at the September 2017 meeting:
- 4.7.1 Implement the scheme as advertised; or
 - 4.7.2 Remove the scheme from the 2017A programme (i.e. do not implement any restrictions as part of this programme)

5. CONTRIBUTION TO STRATEGIC AIMS

5.1 This proposal supports the aims and objectives of the Local Transport Plan and contributes to the Council's strategic aims, as set out below:

- Keeping the town clean, safe, green and active.
- Providing the infrastructure to support the economy.
- Remaining financially sustainable to deliver these service priorities.

6. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND INFORMATION

6.1 The Waiting Restriction Review 2017A Traffic Regulation Order will be sealed and advertised, prior to implementation of the restrictions within.

6.2 The objectors to the statutory consultation will be informed of the decision of the Sub-Committee accordingly, following publication of the meeting minutes.

7. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

7.1 The Waiting Restriction Review 2017A Traffic Regulation Order will be sealed and advertised, prior to implementation of the restrictions within.

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, victimization 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 has carried out a equality impact assessment scoping exercise, and considers that the proposals do not have a direct impact on any groups with protected characteristics.

9. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

9.1 The works will be funded from within existing transport budgets.

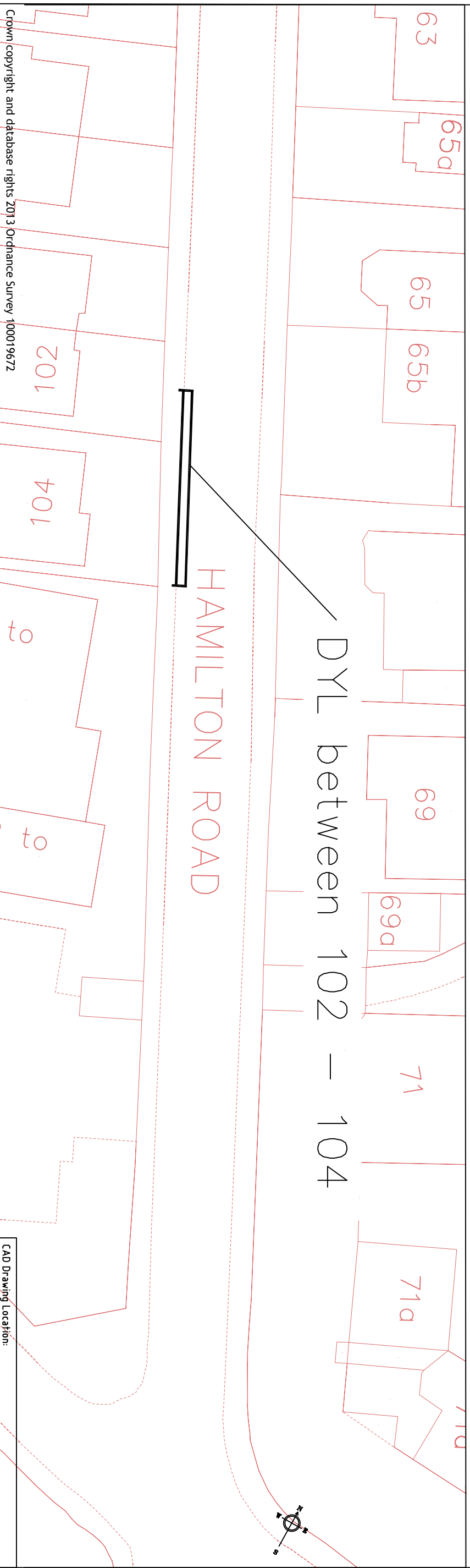
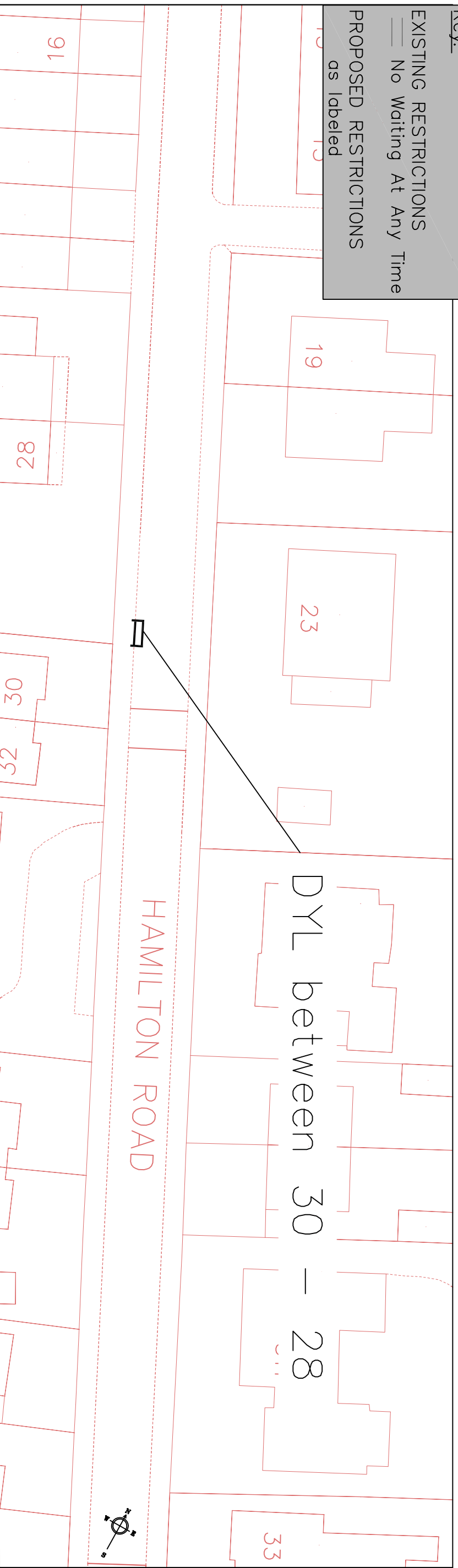
10. BACKGROUND PAPERS

10.1 Waiting Restriction Review - Objections to Waiting Restriction Review 2017A (Traffic Management Sub-Committee - September 2017).

Key:

EXISTING RESTRICTIONS
 — No Waiting At Any Time

PROPOSED RESTRICTIONS
 as labeled



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	drawing	HAMILTON ROAD - VERSION 2		drawing no.	PA3_Hamilton Road
			drawn	JT	checked
			approved	JP	
			date	OCT 17	