

**READING BOROUGH COUNCIL  
REPORT BY DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENT AND NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES**

<b>TO:</b>	<b>TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT SUB-COMMITTEE</b>		
<b>DATE:</b>	<b>13 JUNE 2018</b>	<b>AGENDA ITEM:</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>TITLE:</b>	<b>BI-ANNUAL WAITING RESTRICTION REVIEW - 2018A STATUTORY CONSULTATION</b>		
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**1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

- 1.1 To seek approval to carry out statutory consultation and implementation, subject to no objections being received, on requests for/changes to waiting/parking restrictions.
- 1.2 Appendix 1 - Bi-Annual waiting restriction review programme list of streets and Officer recommendations.
- 1.3 Appendix 2 - Drawings to accompany the Officer recommendations in Appendix 1.

**2. RECOMMENDED ACTION**

- 2.1 That the Members of the Sub-Committee note the report.
- 2.2 That the Head of Legal and Democratic Services be authorised to carry out statutory consultations and advertise the proposals listed in Appendix 1 in accordance with the Local Authorities Traffic Orders (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulations 1996.
- 2.3 That subject to no objections received, the Head of Legal and Democratic Services be authorised to make the Traffic Regulation Order.

- 2.4 That any objections received following the statutory advertisement be reported to a future meeting of the Sub-Committee.
- 2.5 That the Head of Transportation and Streetcare, in consultation with the appropriate Lead Councillor be authorised to make minor changes to the proposals.
- 2.6 That no public enquiry be held into the proposals.

### 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 The council regularly receives correspondence from the public, councillors and organisations that have a desire for the Council to consider new or amend existing waiting restrictions. Requests are reviewed on a 6 monthly basis commencing in March and September of each year.
- 4.2 This review has typically involved the investigation and consultation on a number of individual requests. The purpose for carrying out a bi-annual review is to ensure best value as the statutory processes involved are lengthy and expensive.
- 4.3 In accordance with the report to this Sub-Committee on 8<sup>th</sup> March 2018, consultation with Ward Councillors has been completed, and the resultant proposals where Councillors are happy to proceed with schemes to take forward to the statutory consultation process are listed in Appendix 1.
- 4.4 This report seeks the approval of the Sub-Committee to carry out the Statutory Consultation in accordance with the Local Authorities Traffic Orders (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulations 1996.

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

### 6. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND INFORMATION

6.1 Any Statutory consultation will be carried out in accordance with the Local Authorities Traffic Orders (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulations 1996.

## **7. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

7.1 Any proposals for waiting restrictions are advertised under the Traffic Management Act 2004 and/or the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as required.

## **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 An Equality Impact scoping exercise will be conducted as part of the detailed scheme design, prior to recommending the implementation of any restrictions.

## **9. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

9.1 The works will be funded by existing Transport Budgets.

## **10. BACKGROUND PAPERS**

10.1 Traffic Management Sub-Committee 8<sup>th</sup> March 2018.