

READING BOROUGH COUNCIL

REPORT BY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR ECONOMIC GROWTH &  
NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES

<b>TO:</b>	TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT SUB-COMMITTEE		
<b>DATE:</b>	11 SEPTEMBER 2019	<b>AGENDA ITEM:</b>	4(a)
<b>TITLE:</b>	PETITION FOR PARKING RESTRICITONS IN RISSINGTON CLOSE		
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**1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

- 1.1 To report to the Sub-Committee the receipt of a petition asking the Council to introduce parking restrictions to deter non-resident parking in Rissington Close.
- 1.2 Appendix 1 shows a location plan for Rissington Close

**2. RECOMMENDED ACTION**

- 2.1 That the Sub-Committee notes the report.
- 2.2 That the issues raised by the petition be considered as part of the Waiting Restriction Review Programme 2019B.
- 2.3 That the lead petitioner be informed accordingly.

**3. POLICY CONTEXT**

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

**4. THE PROPOSAL**

- 4.1 At the time of writing we haven't received any signatures just the petition itself.
- 4.2 The wording of the petition reads: 'We, the residents affected by parking issues in Rissington Close are petitioning for the council to provide a solution to prevent non-residents parking in the close. The reason for this is that it causes obstructions for people going up and down the (very steep) hill and is dangerous as sight lines are affected and this could potentially cause accidents. Also, some of the residents rely on Readibus and Hospital Transport and it can make things difficult negotiating around parked cars. In particular when Dustbin / Recycling lorry come twice a week. One of the vehicles (a white van) has been parked in the Cul de sac on a daily basis (weekdays) for over a year now and we know that he uses the train each day. We would like to find a solution such as - residents parking only (permits?), double yellow lines or single yellow line to say that parking is not allowed between particular hours of the day (therefore preventing people parking for the day and longer -sometimes a whole weekend).'
- 4.3 The Sub-Committee is asked to note the petition and approve the issues raised by the petition to be reviewed as part of the Council's Bi-annual waiting restriction review (WRR 2019B). Officers will report back the results of their investigations to a future meeting of the Sub-committee as part of WRR 2019B programme.

## **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 Council Priorities:
- Ensuring the Council is fit for the future

## **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 proposing the introduction of any changes to waiting restrictions.

## **9. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

9.1 None arising from this report.

## **10. BACKGROUND PAPERS**

10.1 None.