

Bath & North East Somerset Council			
DECISION MAKER:	Cllr Anthony Clarke, Cabinet Member for Transport		
DECISION DATE:	On or after 22 nd April 2016	EXECUTIVE FORWARD PLAN REFERENCE:	
		E	2852
TITLE:	Traffic Regulation Order (VARIOUS ROADS, CENTRAL AREA, BATH) (PROHIBITION AND RESTRICTION OF PARKING AND LOADING) (NO STOPPING ON ENTRANCE MARKINGS) (AUTHORISED AND DESIGNATED PARKING PLACES) (VARIATION NO. 6) ORDER 201- Consideration of responses to public consultations		
WARD:	Abbey, Kingsmead, Bathwick, Widcombe		
AN OPEN PUBLIC ITEM			
List of attachments to this report:			
Appendix 1 – Plans of proposals			
Appendix 2 – Comments received in response to public consultation			

1 THE ISSUE

- 1.1 This report considers comments received in response to public advertisement of the Traffic Regulation Order: (VARIOUS ROADS, CENTRAL AREA, BATH) (PROHIBITION AND RESTRICTION OF PARKING AND LOADING) (NO STOPPING ON ENTRANCE MARKINGS) (AUTHORISED AND DESIGNATED PARKING PLACES) (VARIATION NO. 6) ORDER 201-. (“TRO”)

2 RECOMMENDATION

The Cabinet Member is asked to agree that advertised proposals are implemented, modified or withdrawn as below:

2.1 Restrictions as detailed on plans G9 and F9.

Roads affected: Royal Avenue, Royal Crescent, Brock Street and Gay Street.

Restriction: Central Zone Resident Parking Only Bays, Mon – Sat, 8am – 7pm.

Recommendation: That the proposals are **implemented** as the Council received only one objection to the implementation of additional resident parking along Royal Avenue. However these proposals have been considered by local Resident Associations and Councillors and there is a strong wish to see more Resident

Parking spaces within the Central Zone as currently permit allocation exceeds Zone capacity.

2.2 Restrictions as detailed on plans H11 and H10.

Road affected: South Parade, Henry Street, and Bridge Street.

Restriction: Central Zone Resident Parking Only Bays, Mon – Sat, 8am – 7pm.

Recommendation: That the proposals are **implemented** as advertised as no objections were received and these proposals have been approved by local Resident Associations and Councillors.

2.3 Restrictions as detailed on plan G10.

Road affected: Quiet Street, Burton Street, Upper Borough Walls.

Restriction: Central Zone Resident Parking Only, Mon – Sat, 8am – 7pm.

Recommendation: That the proposals are **implemented** as advertised as no objections were received and these proposals have been approved by local Resident Associations and Councillors.

2.4 Restrictions as detailed on plan H9.

Roads affected: Henrietta Road, Henrietta Gardens.

Restriction: Prohibit and restrict parking At Any Time

Recommendation: That the proposals are **implemented** at this time as, although the Council received 2 objections, there was 1 of support and these proposals have been approved by local Resident Associations and Councillors. The No Parking At Any Time restrictions are also required to allow access for emergency vehicles and refuse vehicles and to provide access to drainage points to allow these to be cleared to prevent flooding.

2.5 Restrictions as detailed on plan H8

Road affected: Walcot Gate.

Restriction: Central Zone Resident Parking Only, Mon – Sat, 8am – 7pm.

Recommendation: That the proposal is **withdrawn** at this time as the Council received 2 objections. The concerns raised regarded access for delivery vehicles to local businesses and need further consideration.

2.6 Restrictions as detailed on plan H9

Road affected: Great Pulteney Street.

Restriction: Zone 1, Resident Parking Only, Mon – Sat, 8am – 7pm.

Recommendation: That the proposal is implemented at this time as the Council received only 1 objection and these proposals have been approved by local Resident Associations and Councillors.

2.7 Restrictions as detailed on plan I10 and I11.

Road affected: Pulteney Road

Restriction: Zone 1, Resident Parking Only, Mon – Sat, 8am – 7pm and Paid For Parking 2hrs Max, No Return for 1hr.

Recommendation: That the proposal is implemented as advertised as only 1 objection was received and these proposals have been approved by local Resident Associations and Councillors.

2.8 Restrictions as detailed on plans G10 and G11.

Roads affected: Monmouth Street.

Restriction: Central Zone Resident Parking Only, Mon – Sat, 8am – 7pm. No Waiting Between Thurs – Mon, 7pm – 8am. No Waiting At Any Time.

Recommendation: That the proposals are implemented in part as the proposed build out part of the scheme is no longer due to take place at the expressed wish of local councillors. It is therefore recommended that the No Waiting At Any Time proposals are withdrawn at this time. The Central Zone Resident Parking Only, Mon – Sat, 8am – 7pm and No Waiting Between Thurs – Mon, 7pm – 8am restrictions should be implemented however as the Council received no objections and the purpose of these restrictions is to allow access for deliveries to the theatre.

3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The cost of this work is estimated to be £6-8k and is funded from within the Transport Improvement Block capital programme, which is funded by the DfT Integrated Transport Block grant.

3.2 Road markings a life expectancy of between 7 and 10 years. The consultation process included Highways and no concerns were raised regarding on-going maintenance costs as these works can be incorporated within the existing revenue budget. The highways maintenance budget is prioritised for road safety issues in the first instance. However parking restrictions do need to be maintained to ensure enforcement can be undertaken and these will be incorporated in existing budgets as part of those works.

3.3 There is no impact to parking income from these changes.

4 CORPORATE OBJECTIVES

4.1 The following corporate objectives apply:

- Creating neighbourhoods where people are proud to live
- Building a stronger economy

5 THE REPORT

- 5.1 The proposals were publicly advertised from 3rd March 2016 to 24th March 2016. The proposals are shown in plan form in Appendix 1. The proposals were developed as the result of the concerns of the Traffic & Safety, Parking and Traffic Management Team, Ward Councillors and local residents caused by increasing problems related to parking, which is becoming a greater concern on many streets around Central Bath due to the increasing volume of vehicles on our roads and the growing number of vehicles parking inappropriately. A total of 5 responses were received during the public consultation. The responses are summarised in Appendix 2.
- 5.2 Consideration needs to be given to the responses received and a decision made on the way forward. Common law has established that a highway is a defined route over which "the public at large" can pass and repass as frequently as they wish, without hindrance and without charge.. Consequently any parking on the highway is an obstruction of that right of passage. There are no rights to park on the highway but parking is condoned where the right of passage along the highway is not impeded. The consideration of objections to the introduction of controls has to be considered in this context.
- 5.3 The TRO is being proposed as it is the duty of every local authority to secure the expeditious, convenient and safe movement of vehicular and other traffic (including pedestrians) and the provision of suitable and adequate parking facilities as set out in section 122 Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (RTRA).

6 RISK MANAGEMENT

- 6.1 The report author and Cabinet Member have fully reviewed the risk assessment related to the issue and recommendations, in compliance with the Council's decision making risk management guidance.

7 RATIONALE

- 7.1 The proposals are designed to address operational traffic issues and parking capacity issues.

8 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 8.1 None considered.

9 CONSULTATION

- 9.1 Ward Councillors; Cabinet members; Staff; Other B&NES Services; Local Residents; Other Public Sector Bodies; Section 151 Finance Officer; Monitoring Officer

- 9.2 Ward Councillors, Emergency Services and local residents have been consulted via public advertisement. Internal officers have been consulted via circulation of this report.

10 ISSUES TO CONSIDER IN REACHING THE DECISION

- 10.1 Social Inclusion; Customer Focus; Sustainability; Health & Safety.

11 ADVICE SOUGHT

- 11.1 The Council's Monitoring Officer (Head of Legal and Democratic Services) and Section 151 Officer (Divisional Director - Finance) have had the opportunity to input to this report and have cleared it for publication.

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Background papers	Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 The Local Authorities' Traffic Orders (Procedure) (England and

	Wales) Regulations 1996
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