

Report to: Justin Bloomfield - Head of Parking

Date: 9th September 2022

Report of: Norma Adjepong –Traffic Engineer

**THE BOROUGH OF WATFORD (VARIOUS ROADS, PART B WATFORD)
(PROHIBITION OF WAITING RESTRICTIONS) ORDER 2022 &
THE BOROUGH OF WATFORD (WATFORD) (CONTROLLED PARKING ZONES)
(CONSOLIDATION) ORDER 2018 (AMENDMENT) (NO. 18) ORDER 2022**

1.0 SUMMARY

1.1 The purpose of this report is:

1.1.1 To inform the Head of Parking of the need to implement the proposal, which forms the subject of the above Traffic Regulation Orders (TRO).

1.1.2 To seek authorisation to publish “Notice of Proposals” and:

a) where no objections are received or where objections are subsequently withdrawn “Make” the TROs and implement the proposal and:

b)where objections are received and not subsequently withdrawn, report the details of the objections together with Officer’s recommendations so that further instructions can be obtained.

1.1.3 To seek authorisation to consult residents in the immediate vicinity of the proposal by means of a letter and plan drawing their attention to the published “Notice of Proposals” and explaining how they can obtain more details of the proposals and make representations should they wish. In addition to consult with statutory consultees, erect on street notices and advertise a Notice of Proposal in the Watford Observer.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 That the Head of Parking authorises all as described in paragraphs 1.1.2 and 1.1.3 above.

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3.0 DETAILED PROPOSALS

- 3.1 Requests for minor amendments to waiting restrictions received from residents and elected members across the borough have been collated into a “minor waiting restriction programme” for the year 2022/2023. Requests have been reviewed between officers and ward councillors during Spring/ Autumn 2022 and those which were considered appropriate were taken forward to the informal consultation stage with residents. A total of 19 schemes were proposed across 7 different wards.
- 3.2 The informal consultation stage involved sending letters to residents and businesses which set out the justification of the restrictions along with a plan showing the proposals. The informal consultation took place between 5th and 29th July 2022.
- 3.3 All comments received from residents and businesses, following the informal consultations were subsequently shared with ward councillors, along with officer recommendations and comments.
- 3.4 Ward councillors have agreed not to proceed to statutory consultation on two of the proposals as there was no majority support from residents in these areas for proposed changes. Of the remaining 17 schemes, ward councillors requested minor modifications on 5 of the proposals, and were content to proceed to statutory consultation, as per the proposals shared during the informal consultation for the remaining 12. Table 1 sets out proposals which were informally consulted on and recommendations following receipt of comments.

Table 1: List of Proposals and Recommendations of actions.

<u>Road (Ward)</u> <u>Proposed Restrictions</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>
<u>Francis Road jct with Market Street (Central)</u> Introduce No Waiting At Any Time around junction	Reduce the proposed 10 metres of double yellow lines to 5metres on Market Street and proceed to statutory consultation
<u>Rose Garden (Holywell)</u> Introduce No Loading At Any Time over existing No Waiting At Any Time	Proceed to statutory consultation
<u>King George Avenue junction with Whippendell Road (eastern) (Holywell)</u> Extend No Loading At Any Time on King George Avenue	Proceed to statutory consultation
<u>Bowmans Green jct with Fairfolds (Meriden)</u> Introduce No Waiting At Any Time around the junction.	Proceed to statutory consultation
<u>Lingfield Way (Nascot)</u> Introduce No waiting at any time along the south western kerb	Introduce additional No waiting at any time restrictions at junction with Nascot Wood Road and proceed to statutory consultation
<u>Ridge Lane (entrance to Orchard Park) (Nascot)</u> Introduce 13m of No Waiting and No Loading At	Proceed to statutory consultation

Any Time across entrance	
<u>Upper section of Hempstead Rd (off Courtlands Drive) (Nascot)</u> Introduce No Waiting At Any Time around junction	Extend No Waiting At Any proposed 2m further up Hempstead Road and proceed to statutory consultation
<u>Glen Way (Park)</u> Extend No Waiting At Any Time	Extend the proposals shared during informal consultation to include no waiting at anytime around the junction with Stanbury Avenue and to proceed to statutory consultation on that basis.
<u>Appletree Walk/ The Conifers (Stanborough)</u> Introduction of No Waiting At Any Time	Proceed to statutory consultation
<u>Briar Rd/Meadow Rd (Stanborough)</u> Introduce No Loading At Any Time restrictions over No Loading At Any Time around the junction	Proceed to statutory consultation
<u>Orbital Crescent (Stanborough)</u> Introduce No Waiting At Any Time restrictions around the bend between Numbers 30 and 40	Proceed to statutory consultation
<u>Rushton Ave/Leggatts Rise (Stanborough)</u> Extend No Waiting At Any Time restrictions 15 metres up west of Rushton Avenue	Proceed to statutory consultation
<u>North Approach - from Kingsway Infants to 225 North Approach (Stanborough)</u> Extend No Waiting At Any Time restrictions in both the eastern and western direction	Proceed to statutory consultation
<u>Garston Drive (Stanborough)</u> Extend No Waiting At Any Time by 7m.	Proceed to statutory consultation
<u>North Western Avenue (Nos 210-196) (Stanborough)</u> Remove the existing Friday to Sunday 12.30pm to 2pm restriction on the northern side of the carriageway and to convert the existing Friday to Sunday 12.30pm to 2pm	Proceed to statutory consultation
<u>Greycaine Road (Tudor)</u> Introduce a short section of no waiting and no loading at any time restrictions	To remove from programme and not proceed as there was no support for proposals.
<u>Queens Avenue (Vicarage)</u> Introduce No Waiting At Any Time outside Jewsons	To remove from programme and not proceed as there was no support for proposals.
<u>Cobb Green/Newhouse Crescent (northern side) (Woodside)</u> Introduce No Waiting At Any Time around junction and opposite the junction of the Brow and Newhouse Crescent	Extend the proposals shared during the informal consultation to include 34m of No Waiting At Any Time restriction along the kerb, opposite The Brow and to proceed to statutory consultation on that basis.

<p>Newhouse Crescent (junction with Horseshoe Lane) (<u>Woodside</u>) Introduce No Loading at Any Time over the existing No Waiting at Any Time restriction on the southern side of the junction, and extend the existing No Waiting at Any Time restriction on the southern side of Newhouse Crescent to the existing lamp post. It is also proposed to refresh the existing double yellow lines around the junction and to mark out the bus stop by the junction on Newhouse Crescent.</p>	<p>Proceed to statutory consultation</p>
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3.5 As can be seen from Table 1 the majority of the schemes are based around implementation and amendment of No Waiting at Any Time proposals, and these would be covered in a “Various Roads Order 2022” Traffic Regulation Order. Two of the proposals (1 in Central and 1 in Holywell) are within Controlled Parking Zone Areas, and therefore would be covered in a CPZ Amendment Order. A copy of the Draft TROs are shown in **Annex A**.

4.0 **IMPLICATIONS**

4.1 **Financial**

4.1.1 The cost of the schemes is estimated at £2,500 for the legal advertising. Should there be no objections and the schemes implemented a cost of £8,500 is allocated for Signing & Lining Works.

4.1.2 It has been confirmed there is a sufficient budget in BEA004 B0908

4.2 **Legal Issues** (Monitoring Officer)

4.2.1 Watford Borough Council has been given delegated authority to make traffic regulation orders and implement proposals to manage parking on public highways and other roads, pursuant to arrangements made under Section 19 of the Local Government Act 2000 and the Local Government (Arrangement for discharge of Functions) (England) Regulations 2012 with Hertfordshire County Council, and is exercising the powers conferred on it under Section 1, 2, 3 and 4 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (which said Act of 1984 is hereinafter referred to as “the 1984 Act”) and of all other enabling powers.

4.3 **Equalities**

4.3.1 This scheme aims to improve road safety and amenity for vehicles and pedestrians, thus paying regard to the council’s duty according to the Equality Act 2010 as set out below.

Under section 149 of the Equality Act 2010, the ‘general duty’ on public authorities is set out as follows:

A public authority must, in the exercise of its functions, 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

4.3.2 No issues have been raised during the informal consultation process. Should the council be made aware through the statutory consultation process of any impact on specific groups, a review of the Equalities Impact Assessment will take place.

5.0 Potential Risks

5.1	Potential Risk	Likelihood	Impact	Overall score
	Some members of the public/businesses will perceive on-street parking controls as an unnecessary imposition by the Council.	2	1	3
	Failure to implement new parking controls will lead to continued complaints from the public and residents in regard to road safety. issues leading to reputational damage to the council	1	2	3
	Total	3	3	6

Background Papers

Annex A: Draft Traffic Regulation Orders

NOTIFICATION OF OFFICER DECISION

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Name of Officer exercising delegated authority:

Justin Bloomfield, Head of Parking



Signature:

Date:09 September 2022.....