

Report to: Justin Bloomfield - Parking Lead Officer

Date: 13th February 2023

Report of: Norma Adjepong –Traffic Engineer

**THE BOROUGH OF WATFORD (VARIOUS ROADS, PART A WATFORD)
(PROHIBITION OF WAITING RESTRICTIONS) ORDER 2023 &
THE BOROUGH OF WATFORD (WATFORD) (CONTROLLED PARKING ZONES)
(CONSOLIDATION) ORDER 2018 (AMENDMENT) (NO. 19) ORDER 2023 &
THE BOROUGH OF WATFORD (CALLOWLAND, WATFORD)
(CONTROLLED PARKING ZONE NA) 2020 (AMENDMENT) (NO. 1) ORDER 2023**

1.0 SUMMARY

1.1 The purpose of this report is:

1.1.1 To inform the Parking Lead Officer of the need to implement the proposal, which forms the subject of the above named 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- a) where no objections are received or where objections are subsequently withdrawn “Make” the TROs and implement the proposal and:
- b)where objections are received and not subsequently withdrawn, report the details of the objections together with Officer’s recommendations so that further instructions can be obtained.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/businesses 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 Parking Lead officer 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 Autumn/Winter 2022 and those which were considered appropriate were taken forward to the informal consultation stage with residents/businesses. A total of 14 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 the 2nd and 23rd December 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 one of the proposals as there was no majority support from residents in these areas for proposed changes. Of the remaining 13 schemes, ward councillors are content to proceed to statutory consultation, as per the proposals shared during the informal consultation.

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> Proposed Restrictions	Recommendation
<u>Regent St junction with Leavesden Road</u> <u>(Callowland)</u> Convert a section of the No Waiting Mon-Sat 8am-6.30pm around the junction to No Waiting At Any Time	Proceed to statutory consultation
<u>Acme Road junction with Leavesden Rd</u> <u>(Callowland)</u> Reinstate a section of No Waiting Monday to Saturday 8am to 6.30pm (Single Yellow Line) on Leavesden Road south of Acme Road	Proceed to statutory consultation
<u>Southwold Road (Callowland)</u> To introduce No waiting at any time around the access to the private residential car park	Proceed to statutory consultation
<u>St. Johns Rd junction with St. Albans Rd</u>	Extend the proposals shared

<p><u>(Central)</u> To introduce No loading at any time over the existing No waiting at any time.</p>	<p>during the informal consultation to convert and mark a 5 metres of the existing permit holder bay to a loading bay, to operate as Loading only 8am - 10pm 30mins No return within 1hr and to proceed to statutory consultation on that basis.</p>
<p><u>Market St. / Percy Road junction (Central)</u> To convert the section of the No Waiting Mon-Sat 8am-6.30pm around the junction to No Waiting and No Loading At Any Time</p>	<p>Proceed to statutory consultation</p>
<p><u>Rickmansworth Road (Central)</u> To introduce a No Loading at Any Time restriction over the existing No Waiting at Any Time, on the section just off the roundabout with the A411 and adjacent to frontages of the Parade.</p>	<p>Proceed to statutory consultation</p>
<p><u>Granville Rd /Cambridge Rd junction (Central)</u> Introduce No Loading At Any Time restrictions over the existing No waiting At Any Time around the junction</p>	<p>Proceed to statutory consultation</p>
<p><u>Beechen Grove Service Road (Service Rd Q) (Central)</u> Introduce No Loading At Any Time restrictions over the existing No waiting At Any Time on both sides.</p>	<p>Extend the proposals shared during the informal consultation to introduce a 2 metre section of No Waiting At Any Time from the end of the existing Electric vehicle Charging bay to the highway extent, westwards and to proceed to statutory consultation on that basis.</p>
<p><u>Briar Road (Stanborough)</u> Introduction of No waiting at any time restrictions outside property no. 2 where the carriageway bends</p>	<p>To remove from programme and not proceed as there was no support for proposals.</p>
<p><u>Perivale Gardens (Stanborough)</u> Introduction of No waiting at any time restrictions outside property no. 17 where the carriageway bends</p>	<p>Proceed to statutory consultation</p>
<p><u>Sydney Road (Holywell)</u> To introduce a No waiting at any time restriction across the access road that leads to the residents garages and relocate the existing permit holder bay 2 metres towards Hagden Lane</p>	<p>Proceed to statutory consultation</p>

<u>Riverside Road (Oxhey)</u> Introduction of No waiting at any time restrictions implemented around the access to the Riverside industrial units and within the turning circle adjacent to Luterola Close.	Proceed to statutory consultation
<u>Douglas Ave and Woodmere Ave junction (Tudor)</u> To extend the existing No Waiting At Any Time restriction from the junction	Proceed to statutory consultation
<u>The Brow (Alban Wood Primary School) (Woodside)</u> Introduction of No waiting at any time restrictions around the access to the school	Proceed to statutory consultation

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 the three TROs listed below:

1. THE BOROUGH OF WATFORD (CALLOWLAND, WATFORD) (CONTROLLED PARKING ZONE NA) 2020 (AMENDMENT) (NO. 1) ORDER 2023,
2. THE BOROUGH OF WATFORD (WATFORD) (CONTROLLED PARKING ZONES) (CONSOLIDATION) ORDER 2018 (AMENDMENT) (NO. 19) ORDER 2023 and
3. THE BOROUGH OF WATFORD (CALLOWLAND, WATFORD) (CONTROLLED PARKING ZONE NA) 2020 (AMENDMENT) (NO. 1) ORDER 2023

Five schemes are based around the implementation of No loading at Any time proposals which are also covered in the above orders.

Six of the proposals (2 in Callowland, 3 in Central and 1 in Holywell) are within Controlled Parking Zone Areas, and therefore would be covered in a CPZ Amendment Order and the Callowland Zone NA Amendment Order. A copy of the three 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, businesses 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

- Annex A1 Draft TRO Various Roads Order 2023
- Annex A2 DRAFT TRO CPZ AMENDMENT NO 19 2023
- Annex A3 DRAFT TRO Callowland Zone NA Amendment 2023

NOTIFICATION OF OFFICER DECISION

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Name of Officer exercising delegated authority:

Justin Bloomfield, Parking Lead Officer



Signature:

Date:13 February 2023.....