



HIGHWAYS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

4 July 2017

Subject Heading:	TPC991-Mellowes Road Parking Review – Informal Consultation
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Policy context:	Street Management
Financial summary:	The estimated cost of implementation is £2,000 and will be met by the Parking Strategy Investment (A2017)

The subject matter of this report deals with the following Council Objectives

Havering will be clean and its environment will be cared for	[x]
People will be safe, in their homes and in the community	[x]
Residents will be proud to live in Havering	[x]

SUMMARY

Romford Town Ward

This report outlines the responses received to the informal parking consultation undertaken in the Mellowes Rd and recommends a further course of action.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Highways Advisory Committee, having considered this report and the representations made, recommends to the **Cabinet Member for Environment Regulatory Services and Community Safety** that:

Residents of Mellowes Road be formally consulted on a designed scheme to include the road in the Sector 3 Residents Parking Scheme, operational Monday to Saturday 8.30am to 6.30pm inclusive.

REPORT DETAIL

1. Mellowes Road is a relatively new road that was constructed on the former Edwin Lambert School site, which is situated within the Sector 3 area of the Romford Controlled Parking Zone. A plan of the road is appended as Appendix A
2. Relatively quickly, after the new properties became fully occupied, the Council received representations from residents of Mellowes Road and from the Romford Town Ward Members, requesting that the road be included in the existing R03 Residents Parking Scheme.
3. As the request had Ward Councillor backing, the proposal was included on Calendar Brief on 16th February 2017 and the item was not called in.
4. To gauge resident's feelings on being included in the Residents Parking Scheme, on 21st February 2017 residents were sent letters a simple questions, which had to be completed and returned 14th March 2017. Copies of the letter and questionnaire are attached as Appendix B and C respectively.

Results of consultation

5. By the end of the consultation, from the 35 letters sent out to the residents of Mellowes Road, 7 responses were received, a 20% response. All the responses were in favour of being included in the residents parking scheme.

Staff Comments

6. Given the positive return and lack of dissent for the proposals, Ward Members have advised Staff that they would like the proposals to proceed to the Statutory Consultation of a designed scheme.

IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS

Legal implications and risks:

The Council's power to make an order regulating or controlling vehicular traffic on roads is set out in Part I of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 ("RTRA 1984").

Before an Order is made, the Council should ensure that the statutory procedures set out in the Local Authorities Traffic Orders (Procedure)(England & Wales) Regulations 1996 (SI 1996/2489) are complied with. The Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002 govern road traffic signs and road markings.

Section 122 RTRA 1984 imposes a general duty on local authorities when exercising functions under the RTRA. It provides, insofar as is material, to secure the expeditious, convenient and safe movement of vehicular and other traffic (including pedestrians) and the provision of suitable and adequate parking facilities on and off the highway. This statutory duty must be balanced with any concerns received over the implementation of the proposals.

In considering any responses received during consultation, the Council must ensure that full consideration of all representations is given including those which do not accord with the officer's recommendation. The Council must be satisfied that any objections to the proposals were taken into account.

In considering any consultation responses, the Council must balance the concerns of any objectors with the statutory duty under section 122 RTRA 1984.

Human Resources implications and risks:

It is anticipated that the enforcement activities required for these proposals can be met from within current staff resources.

Financial implications and risks:

This report is asking HAC to recommend to the Lead Member to implement the proposed changes as outlined in the recommendations to this report.

The estimated cost of implementing the proposals, including physical measures, advertising and making the Traffic Management Orders is £2,000. These costs will be funded from the Parking Strategy Investment approved budget (A2017).

The costs shown are an estimate of the full costs to implement a scheme should it be ultimately implemented. It should be noted that further decisions may be made following a full report to the Committee and with the Cabinet Member approval process being completed where a scheme is recommended for implementation.

In the unlikely event of an overspend, the balance would need to be contained within the overall Environment Capital budget.

Equalities implications and risks:







The Council undertook a postal consultation with residents to ascertain the amount of support to introduce Parking controls within the affected area.

Parking controls have the potential to displace parking to adjacent areas, which may be detrimental to others, including older people, children, young people, disabled people and carers. The Council will be monitoring the effects of the scheme to mitigate any further negative impact.

There will be some visual impact from the required signing and lining works. Where infrastructure is provided or substantially upgraded, reasonable adjustments should be made to improve access for disabled people, which will assist the Council in meeting its duty under the Equality Act 2010.

BACKGROUND PAPERS



			
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The Resident/Occupier

**Street Management
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IMPORTANT PARKING CONSULTATION

Date: Friday 21st February 2017

Dear Sir/ Madam

MELLOWES ROAD PARKING REVIEW

I am writing to advise you that the Council are proposing a review of the parking situation in Mellowes Road due to representations from residents and local Ward Councillors. The extent of the review area is shown on the attached plan.

The aim of this review is to look at the parking situation in the area, with a view to addressing the long-term non-residential parking issues and giving residents the option of having a residents parking scheme, should it be felt necessary.

I have attached a questionnaire that you are requested to complete and return to us by **14th March 2017**.

Please note we are unable to answer individual points raised at this stage. However, your comments will be noted and will be taken into consideration when presenting the final report to the Council Highways Advisory Committee. This committee will decide if a further course of action is required and any issues raised by residents will be addressed at that time. All comments received are open to public inspection.

Yours faithfully,

Omar Tingling
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PARKING REVIEW QUESTIONNAIRE
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Email: schemes@havering.gov.uk
Date: Friday 22nd February 2017

All responses received will provide the council with the appropriate information to determine whether we take a parking scheme forward to the design and formal consultation stage.

Only one signed and dated questionnaire per address will be considered. Please return to us by Friday 14th March 2017.

1. Are you in favour of being included in the RO3 Controlled Parking Zone which operates 8am to 6.30pm Monday to Saturday
- Yes
 No

For your information:

Yellow lines would prevent residents from parking on the lines in the same way as they would non-residents.

Residents Parking scheme will permit residents and their visitor to park in the allocated areas, with a valid permit for the area