

HIGHWAYS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

7 November 2017

Subject Heading:

**Ewan Road area parking review –
results of informal consultation**

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Policy context:

Traffic & Parking Control

Financial Summary

The estimated cost is £0.008M

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

Harold Wood Ward

This report outlines the responses received to the informal consultation undertaken with the residents of the Ewan Road area, and recommends a further course of action.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. 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;

- (a) that the proposals to introduce a residents parking scheme in the Ewan Road area, operational Monday to Friday 10am to 2pm inclusive, (shown on the plan in Appendix E) be publicly advertised.
- 2. That it be noted that the estimated cost of this scheme as set out in this report is £8000, which can be met from the S106 contribution from the Former Harold Wood Hospital to review the parking restrictions.

REPORT DETAIL

1.0 Background

- 1.1 At its meeting in 10 January 2017, in the item under Urgent Business, this Committee agreed in principle to review the parking restrictions in the Ewan Road area, due to the results of the parking review in the adjoining Lister Avenue area being reported to the February meeting and Ward Councillors being concerned about parking being displaced.
- 1.2 Ward Councillors were also concerned about the increasing complaints about the level of parking in the roads in the area, due to the South Bank University, the construction works on the bridge on the A127 and Tesco in Whitelands Way implementing a 3 hour maximum stay in their car park.
- 1.3 An informal questionnaire was sent out to the residents of the Ewan Road area and a plan of the review area is appended to this report at Appendix A. Copies of the letter and questionnaire sent to residents are appended as Appendix B and C respectively.
- 1.4 On 6 October 2017, residents and businesses that were perceived to be affected by the review were sent letters and questionnaires, with a return date of 27 October 2017. The responses to the questionnaire are outlined in the table appended to this report at Appendix D. Comments received on the questionnaire have not been included in this report, but will be kept on file.

2.0 Results of public consultation

- 2.1 From the 248 letters sent out to the area, 57 responses were received, a 23% return. Out of the 57 responses 45 answered YES to question 1, that they felt there was a problem in the road, 44 answered YES to question 2, that they were in favour of restrictions. In respect of the options of which days of the week should be restricted, 28 responses favoured Monday to Friday, while 17 responses favoured Monday to Saturday. In respect of the options of which hours of the day that were favoured, 22 responses favoured 10am to 2pm, while 22 responses favoured 8am to 6.30pm. In respect of what form of restriction was favoured, 35 responses favoured the Residents Parking Scheme option, while 10 responses favoured yellow line waiting restrictions. Given these results, it would seem the most supported option would be a Residents Parking Scheme, operational from Monday to Friday 10am to 2pm.

3.0 Staff Comments

- 3.1 From the responses received, it would seem clear that the majority of responses outlined that there was a parking problem in the area and that some form of action needed to be taken. The most popular option would be a Residents Parking Scheme, operational Monday to Friday 10am to 2pm inclusive. A draft design of a proposed scheme for the area is appended as Appendix E.
- 3.2 The proposed residents parking provision will limit the longer term parking in the Ewan Road area and will give residents and their visitors somewhere to park within the restricted period. However, being so close to the Harold Wood railway station and the Bryant Avenue industrial area, there is always a chance that after the restricted period and on the unrestricted days that the roads could still experience some longer term non-residential parking.

IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS

Financial implications and risks:

This report is asking HAC to recommend to the Cabinet Member the implementation of the above scheme

The estimated cost of £0.008M for implementation will be met by the S106 Contribution for P0702.08 reference A2678 – 1.0 Former Harold Wood Hospital Controlled Parking Zone S106 Contribution granted planning consent on 14-11-2011. The funding will need to be spent by 11th January 2024, to ensure full access to the grant.

The costs shown are an estimate of the full costs of the scheme, should all proposals be implemented. It should be noted that subject to the recommendations of the committee a final decision then would be made by the Lead Member – as regards actual implementation and scheme detail. Therefore, final costs are subject to change.

This is a standard project for Environment and there is no expectation that the works cannot be contained within the cost estimate. There is an element of contingency built into the financial estimate. In the unlikely event of an overspend, the balance would need to be contained within the overall Environment Capital budget.

Legal implications and risks:

The Council's power to make an order creating a controlled parking zone is set out in Part IV 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 officers 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:

The enforcement of Controlled Parking Zones is a labour intensive task. Currently, there are sufficient employees to undertake enforcement.

Equalities implications and risks:

Parking restrictions have the potential to displace parking to adjacent areas, which may be detrimental to others. However, the Council has a general duty under the Equality Act 2010 to ensure that its highway network is accessible to all. Where infrastructure is provided or substantially upgraded, reasonable adjustments should be made to improve access. In considering the impacts and making improvements for people with protected characteristics (mainly, but not limited to disabled people, children, young people and older people), this will assist the Council in meeting its duty under the act.

The proposals included in the report have been informally consulted on and all residents who were perceived to be affected by the review were sent letters and questionnaires.

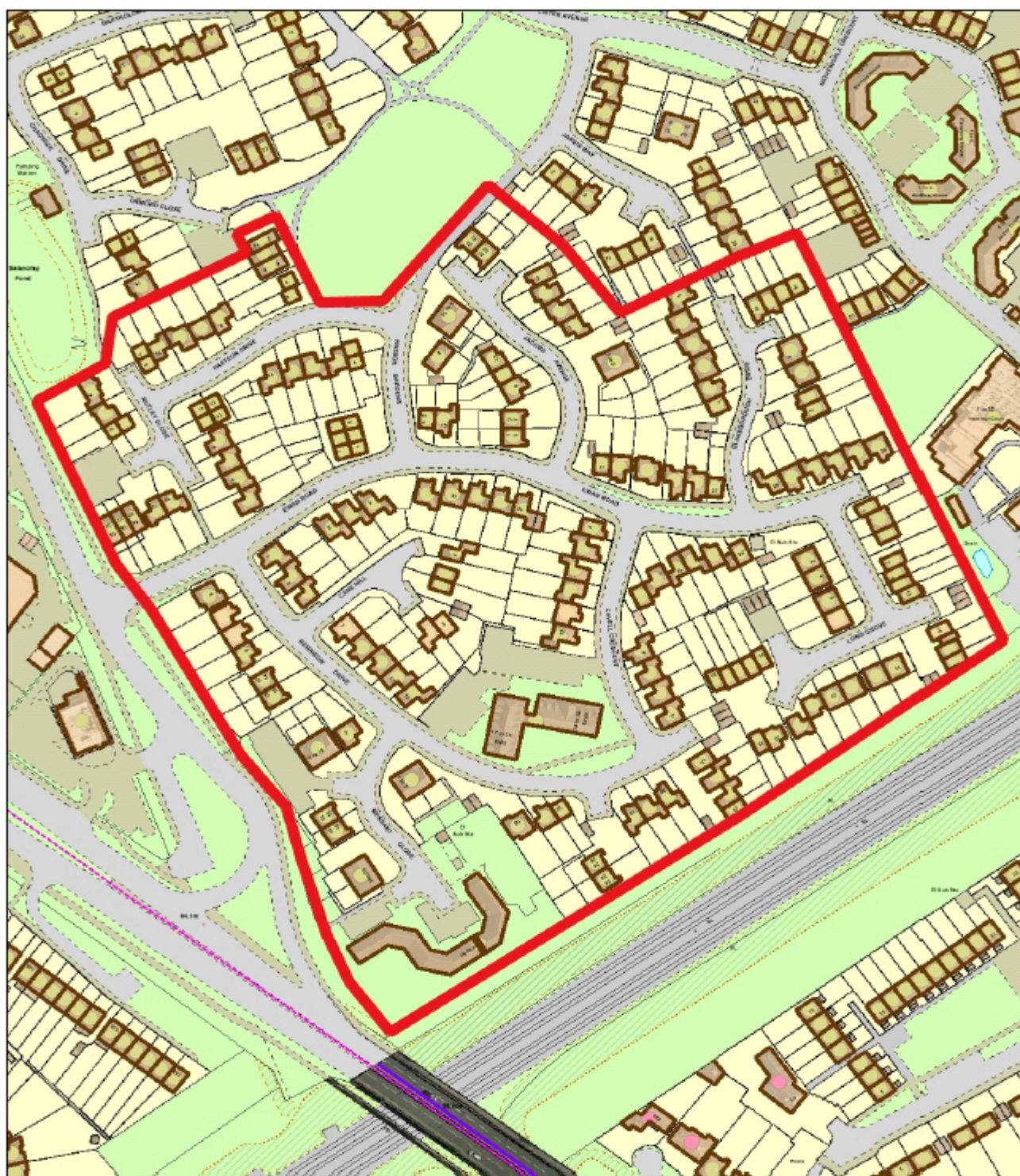
The recommendation is for proposals to be designed and formally advertised to introduce a Residents Parking Scheme in the Lister Avenue Area, operational from Monday to Friday 10am to 2pm inclusive.





There will be some physical and 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, which will assist the Council in meeting its duties under the Equality Act 2010.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

Appendix A.
Appendix B
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Appendix A



Ewan Road Consultation Area	
	<p>Scale: 1:1800</p> <p>Date: 13 January 2017</p> 
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Date: 6th October 2017

The Resident/Occupier

Dear Sir/ Madam

Ewan Road Area Parking Review

I am writing to advise you that the Council are proposing a review of the parking situation in the Ewan Road area.

Currently, there are some junctions in the Ewan Road area that are covered by double yellow lines, but the majority of the roads in the area are unrestricted.

The aim of this review will be to look at parking and access issues in the Ewan Road area, while giving the opportunity to residents of having a residents parking scheme being put in to operation.

I have attached a questionnaire that you are requested to complete and return to us by **Friday 27th October 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, who will decide if a further course of action is required and any issues will be addressed at that time. All comments received are open to public inspection.

Yours faithfully

Iain Hardy

Iain Hardy
Technical Officer
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Appendix C

PARKING REVIEW QUESTIONNAIRE

Ewan Road area

Name:

Address:

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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 27th October 2017.

1. In your view, is there currently a parking problem in **your** road to justify action being taken by the Council ☐ Yes

☐ No

If your answer is YES to the above question above, please proceed to the questions below:

2. Are you in favour of your road having a parking restriction placed upon it to limit long term non-residential parking? ☐ Yes

☐ No

3. If Yes - over what days of the week would you like any restrictions to operate? ☐ Mon- Fri

☐ Mon - Sat

4. If yes - over what hours of the day would you like any restrictions to operate? These hours are in keeping with the existing restrictions in the area. ☐ 10:00am to 2:00pm

☐ 8:00am to 6:30pm

5. If yes - what type of restriction would you prefer? ☐ Yellow Lines

☐ Residents Parking

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, during the hours of restriction, with a valid permit for the zone.

Appendix D

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