

Notice of Non-key Executive Decision

Subject Heading:	TPC624, Fairholme Avenue parking review – results of informal consultation
Cabinet Member:	Cllr Osman Dervish
CMT Lead:	Dipti Patel
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Policy context:	Traffic & Parking Control
Financial summary:	The estimated cost of £4,000 for implementation will be met by the can be met from the 2018/19 Minor Parking Schemes Budget.
Relevant OSC:	Environment
Is this decision exempt from being called-in?	No

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

Communities making Havering	[X]
Places making Havering	[X]
Opportunities making Havering	[X]
Connections making Havering	[X]

Part A – Report seeking decision

DETAIL OF THE DECISION REQUESTED AND RECOMMENDED ACTION

At its meeting in February 2015, this Committee agreed in principle to review the parking restrictions in Fairholme Avenue, due to increasing complaints about the level of parking in the road and the implementation of new waiting restrictions between the junction of Balgores Lane and the property at No.2 Fairholme Avenue.

An informal questionnaire was sent out to the residents of Fairholme Avenue and to residents around the junctions of the adjoining roads. 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.

On 15th June 2015, 135 residents and businesses that were perceived to be affected by the review were sent letters and questionnaires, with a return date of 3rd July 2015. The responses to the questionnaire are outlined in the table appended to this report as Appendix D and the related comments are outlined in the table appended to this report as Appendix E. Some of these responses were received just after the consultation had ended, but they have included.

From the 135 letters sent out to the area, 49 responses were received, a 36% return. Out of the 49 responses 38 answered YES to question 1, that they felt there was a problem in the road, 36 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, 21 responses favoured Monday to Saturday, while 17 responses favoured Monday to Friday. In respect of the options of which hours of the day that were favoured, 23 responses favoured 8am to 6.30pm, while 12 responses favoured 8am to 10am. In respect of what form of restriction was favoured, 23 responses favoured the Residents Parking Scheme option, while 11 responses favoured yellow line waiting restrictions. Given these results, it would seem the most popular all round option would be a Residents Parking Scheme, operational from Monday to Saturday 8am to 6.30 pm.

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The proposed residents parking provision will limit the longer term parking in Fairholme Avenue and will give residents and their visitors somewhere to park within the restricted period. However, being so close to the Gidea Park railway station and the shop, take a ways and restaurants surrounding it, any agreed scheme will have to be monitored to measure to effects of the new scheme. The restricted period could be increased in the future to deal with further issues related to local late night economy, further to the relevant approvals and the statutory consultation and decision making process.

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AUTHORITY UNDER WHICH DECISION IS MADE

Part 2.5(s) of the Council's Constitution. (to consider recommendations of the highways advisory committee relating to highways and traffic schemes and to make decisions relating to them)

STATEMENT OF THE REASONS FOR THE DECISION

These proposals are designed to introduce a Residents Parking Scheme in this road, along with the associated 'At any time' waiting restrictions. The restrictions have been proposed; due to the increasing level of long term non-residential parking that has 'road safety' implications as well as implications for general accessibility and the impact on existing parking provision.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED

None

RECOMMENDED ACTION

That the Head of Environment agrees to the undertaking of statutory consultation for the proposal shown in Appendix 'A' as provided for within section 6, 45, 46 and, 49 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 for the provision of new waiting restrictions, (1) outside of CPZ and (2) within CPZs. And subject to no material objections being received, to the making of Traffic Management Orders and the subsequent installation of waiting restrictions.

NAME AND JOB TITLE OF STAFF MEMBER ADVISING THE DECISION-MAKER

Name: Iain Hardy

Designation: Technical Officer

Signature:



Date: 23/05/2018

Part B - Assessment of implications and risks

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS

The procedure to be followed by the Council in making Traffic Orders under Section 6 is set out in Schedule 9, Part III of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 and the Local Authorities, Traffic Orders (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulations 1996. This sets out, inter alia, a requirement to advertise the proposed Order in a local newspaper and if the Council considers it is desirable, to also display notices describing the proposed Order in the streets concerned.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS

The estimated cost of implementing the proposals as described above and shown on the attached plan is £4000, can be funded from the 2018/19 Minor Parking Schemes budget.

The costs shown are an estimate of the full costs of the scheme, should it be implemented. A final decision would be made by the Lead Member – as regards to actual implementation and scheme detail. Therefore, final costs are subject to change

This is a standard project for StreetCare 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 StreetCare overall Minor Parking Schemes revenue budget.

HUMAN RESOURCES IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS (AND ACCOMMODATION IMPLICATIONS WHERE RELEVANT)

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

EQUALITIES AND SOCIAL INCLUSION 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.

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The recommendation is for proposals to be designed and formally advertised to introduce a Residents Parking Scheme in Fairholme Avenue, operational from Monday to Saturday 8.00am to 6.30pm as outlined on the attached plans.

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 NONE

Plans of the proposals are attached

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Part C – Record of decision

I have made this executive decision in accordance with authority delegated to me by the Leader of the Council and in compliance with the requirements of the Constitution.

Decision

To publicly advertise the proposed residents parking scheme for Fairholme Avenue.

Details of decision maker

Signed



Name: OSMAN DERVISHI
C4 CABINET MEMBER FOR ENVIRONMENT.

Cabinet Portfolio held: ~~Councillor Osman Dervishi~~
CMT Member title: Dipti Patel
Head of Service title: Ollie Miller
Other manager title: Gurch Durhailay
Date:

Date: 01/06/2018

Lodging this notice

The signed decision notice must be delivered to the proper officer, Debra Marlow, Principal Democratic Services Officer in Democratic Services, in the Town Hall.

For use by Committee Administration

This notice was lodged with me on 22/06/2018.

Signed J.F. [Signature]