

HIGHWAYS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Tuesday 3 July 2018

Subject Heading:	TPC478 Sunflower Way Review, Formally Whiteland's Way – results of informal consultation
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Policy context:	Street Management
Financial Summary:	The estimated cost of implementation is £0.004m 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 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]

SUMMARY

Harold Wood Ward:

This report outlines the responses received to the informal consultation undertaken with the residents of Aubrietia Close, Buttercup Close, Camelia Close, Columbine Way, Copperfield Way, Cornflower Way, Juniper Way; Sunflower Way and recommends a further course of action.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1) That the Highways Advisory Committee having considered this report and the representations recommends to the Cabinet Member for Environment that;
 - a. the proposals to introduce a residents parking scheme, operational Monday to Friday, 10:30 – 11:30am inclusive, in Aubrietia Close, Buttercup Close, Camelia lose, Columbine Way, Copperfield Way, Cornflower Way, Juniper Way and Sunflower Way (as shown on the plan in **Appendix A** be designed and publicly advertised;
 - b. if at the close of public consultation no objections are received to recommendation 1a. above the designed scheme is introduced as advertised;
- 2) The estimated cost of implementation is £0.004m 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.

REPORT DETAIL

1.0 Background

- 1.1 Following concerns raised by residents over a lack of parking provisions during the operational hours of existing restrictions in the Sunflower Way area, the Council carried out an informal consultation in March 2017 on proposals to introduce Permit Parking in the immediate area. The resulting low response rate was put down to a lack of information accompanying the consultation documentation, Officers agreed to re-consult the area.
- 1.2 Currently, the area is covered by a waiting restriction, operational Monday – Friday 10:30-11:30am.
- 1.3 Officers spoke to local Ward Councillors and agreed to re-consult the area with more detailed information on the proposals accompanying the consultation letter. It is proposed to change the existing 1 hour 'Waiting Restriction' to a 1 hour 'Resident Permit Parking only' to allow residents a parking provision during the hour of the restriction.
- 1.4 On Friday 23rd February 2018, 364 residents that were perceived to be affected by the review were sent letters, with a return date of Friday 16th March 2018 for receipt of representations.

2.0 Results of informal consultation

- 2.1 The consultation gave resident's two options: whether they would prefer the introductions of a Resident Permit Parking; or the current restrictions to remain.
- 2.2 From 364 resident's consulted; there was a 15% return rate. 63% of the respondents wanted a residents permit parking whereas 37% of respondents wanted restrictions to remain. A road by road tabled response is appended to this report as **Appendix B**.

3.0 Staff Comments

- 3.1 Officers sent Ward Councillors an email in May 2018 explaining the results of the consultation.
- 3.2 The recommendations given to Ward Councillors were as follows:
Currently within the consulted area, it is restricted between Monday– Friday 10:30-11:30am. During these times of operation, residents have to move their vehicles off the carriageway, either to an alternative location where there are no restrictions or onto their driveway, which is an inconvenience to the area. Whereas, if the area was Permit Parking, they would just need to purchase a permit, show this within their windscreen and not move their vehicle at all. All resident's comments can be found appended to this report as **Appendix C**.
- 3.3 Officers feel that maximising the parking provisions and making it more convenient for residents is a suitable and desirable outcome. This also helps an ongoing maintenance issue as the waiting restrictions will be removed from the area and signage will be located at the start and end of the Permit Parking Area (this doesn't include repeater plates).
- 3.4 Ward Councillors are in agreement with officers to proceed with the introduction of a Permit Parking Area, operational Monday – Friday 10:30-11:30am.

IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS

Financial implications and risks:

The estimated cost of implementation is £0.004m 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 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 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 Environment overall Minor Parking Schemes revenue budget A24650.

Related costs to the Permit Parking areas:

All permit prices can be found on the Councils website here;

https://www.havering.gov.uk/info/20005/parking_permits

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 proposal can be delivered within the standard resourcing within Street Management, and has no specific impact on staffing/HR issues.

Equalities implications and risks:

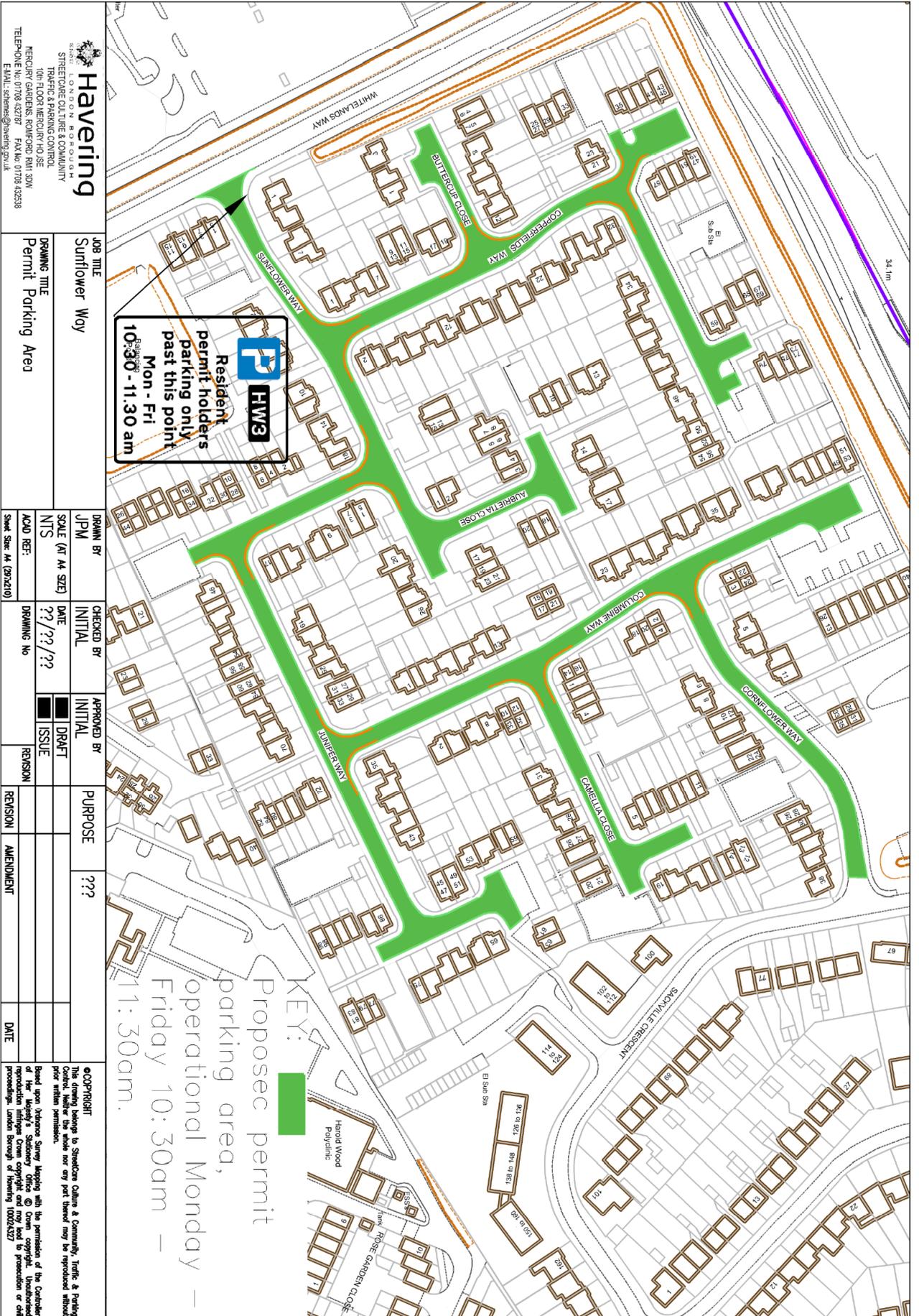
The proposals provide measures to improve safety and accessibility for all road users.

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.

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
Appendix C



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JOB TITLE	Sunflower Way
DRAWING TITLE	Permit Parking Area

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Sheet Size: A4 (297x210)							

KEY:
 Proposed permit parking area, operational Monday - Friday 10:30am - 11:30am.

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Sunflower Way Informal Consultation

Road Name	Address	% Returns	Returns	Q1. In your view, would you prefer the Resident Permit Parking or currently restrictions to remain (option 1 or option 2)?		Q1 %	
				RESIDENTS PARKING Option 1	CURRENT RESTRICTIONS Option 2	O1	O2
			total				
Aubrietia Close	20	10%	2	1	1	50%	50%
Buttercup Close	12	0%	3	2	1	67%	33%
Camellia Close	33	12%	4	3	1	75%	25%
Columbine Way	53	9%	5	3	2	60%	40%
Copperfield Way	79	23%	18	15	3	83%	17%
Cornflower Way	38	5%	2	1	1	50%	50%
Juniper Way	98	12%	12	5	7	42%	58%
Sunflower Way	26	12%	3	1	2	33%	67%
No Address	5		5	3	2	60%	40%
Total	364	15%	54	34	20	63%	37%
				63.00%	37.00%		

* 2 Responses explained that they would prefer Option 1 but if they have to pay for permits, they will go for Option 2.

Appendix C

<i>Road Name</i>	<i>Option 1 / Option 2</i>	<i>Comments and Suggestions</i>
Juniper Way	Option 2	Wholly opposed to changing the current parking restrictions. The parking at the weekends in appallingly bad at times - and poses a serious safety risk as emergency vehicles such as fire engines would struggle to navigate their way down the road. Allowing residents to park as they wish all week would only make this situation worse as the current arrangements do force residents to use the off street parking available
Camelia Close	Option 2	<p>The reason is that we have private parking facilities that negate the use of parking in the road during the operating times; moreover since the introduction of the scheme I have witnessed vehicles (including commercial vehicles) parked within the private parking areas during the day which don't belong to the residents.</p> <p>This seems to be a direct result of the current restriction to park in the road; I do not see how charging residents for permits and the subsequent cost of introducing the scheme to be a useful endeavour.</p>
Juniper Way	Option 2	The volume of cars in Juniper Way is already too high and I would like to see greater enforcement and more restrictions.
Camelia Close	Option 1	Parking permits are a good idea however they should be for a longer time than just that an hour.
Columbine Way	Option 1	It will give householders who had numerous vehicles a better option
Columbine Way	Option 2	I prefer the existing scheme because it prevents commuters and students from parking here, but it still allows residents, friends, relatives etc to park before 10.30am and after 11.30am. Option 2 is a good scheme and I do not want the scheme changed for a parking permit system
Juniper Way	Option 2	If the option 1 proposal is imposed, it will strengthen the current issues of unauthorised parking within the private parking area of Juniper Way. This obstructs residents from

		using their parking space and creates access problems, especially for those with mobility issues, consequently increasing the likelihood of a fall and obstructs careers from carrying out their duties. Most offenders are local residents and their visitors who wish to avoid local parking restrictions
Copperfield's Way	Option 1	This should have been brought in before any of the adjacent estates had it recently introduced.
Juniper Way	Option 1	There are times when I have guests or deliveries/workmen etc when current parking restrictions are very inconvenient.
Columbine Way	Option 2	I have added some photographs that I took this morning at about 9.30am. The roads are clear of parked cars; this suggests to me that the current scheme is working satisfactory.
Copperfield's Way	Option 1	We desperately need places to park during the current restrictions (10.30-11.30) so resident parking permits are essential in our area.
Copperfield's Way	Option 1	It is extremely difficult to juggle around the current parking restrictions at the current time.
Juniper Way	Option 2	I am strongly against introducing parking permits, on the following basis, I believe this will increase the amount of traffic and rubbish been dumped on our streets. the introduction of permits will only encourage this Activity and discourage the typical family 1-2 cars from taken up residency on the estate.
Sunflower Way	Option 1	As someone who would not need a parking permit I still comment that I feel it's unfair that residents should have to pay for any parking permits for this one hour a day for each car. I feel that residents should have free parking permits as this would still have the desired effect of stopping commuter parking, which was the initial problem.
No Address	Option 2	I am in favour of option 1, but only if at no cost to residents. Havering Council are once again just using this as a cash cow. Only cost should be is for resident's visitor permits. If Havering Council insists on residents shelling out to park for just one hour a day, then I would only be in favour of option 2.

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Copperfield's Way	Option 1	I think it is a good idea to let residents and their visitors park in the restricted times with a purchase of a permit.
Sunflower Way	Option 2	I feel that option one would bring all sorts of parking problems. In to the area, ie residences give permits to family and friends To park in the area. We are not too far from Harold Wood Station were parking is limited because of works to the station and Cross-rail The parking at the station is not large enough now and will not be in the future, unless Cross rail build a Multi-storey carpark. And I feel that a lot of people will abuse the system. And will cause lot of inconvenience to the local residents. As some drivers take it upon themselves to park large vans, cars and abstract ones view when leaving there drive. Which I feel is a and health and safety issue.
Juniper Way	Option 1	I am very much in favour of the introduction of resident permit parking area. This would give us as residents much more in the way of options when we have visitors or tradesmen visiting our home to carry out work.
Columbine Way	Option 1	It is ridiculous that there is currently no opportunity to provide for visitors and trades persons carrying out works etc.
Copperfield's Way	Option 1	Also at the end of Copperfield's Way (just before the private car park) there are two parking bays that have been yellow lined, they are not part of the road or turning points and have always been visitor parking bays, these should not be yellow lined at all.
Juniper Way	Option 2	The proposals for option 1 make it easier for residents to park multiple vehicles which can only be detrimental for the local area. They also encourage greater numbers of vehicles to park in the area which in turn increases road dangers, pollution etc. There are issues with poor driving standards in the area:

		speeding, pavement parking and parking too close to junctions. The proposed changes do not address these issues.
Cornflower Way	Option 2	There is adequate off street parking for all houses on this estate for at least 2 cars; many houses have garages, which are not used.
Sunflower Way	Option 2	The majority of houses have large enough spaces at their fronts to enable parking on the driveway. By introducing a Resident Permit Scheme, even on a small basis, may start off Resident Parking Zones for the whole borough by the back door.
Copperfield's Way	Option 1	Myself and neighbours desperate need of places to park during the current restrictions (10.30-11.30) so resident parking permits are essential in our area.

