

# HIGHWAYS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

# **REPORT**

**Date 15 April 2014** 

Subject Heading:	Pettits Lane – TPC 259 - Marshalls Park School Proposed extension to the School Keep Clear.
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## The subject matter of this report deals with the following Council Objectives

Clean, safe and green borough	[X]
Excellence in education and learning	[]
Opportunities for all through economic, social and cultural activity	[X]
Value and enhance the life of every individual	[X]
High customer satisfaction and a stable council tax	Ī1 -

#### SUMMARY

This report outlines the responses received to the advertised proposals for Pettits Lane with regards to the extension of the School Keep Clear. The proposed measures should improve safety at the access to the school which is experiencing problems with obstructive parking.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Highways Advisory Committee having considered this report and the representations made recommends to the Cabinet Member for Community Empowerment that the proposals as shown on **Appendix A** of this report be:

**a.** That the scheme is implemented as advertised and the effect of the scheme be monitored.

Members note that the estimated cost of this scheme as set out in this report is £500 and can be funded from the 2014/15 Minor Parking Schemes budget.

#### REPORT DETAIL

#### 1.0 Background & Outcome to Public Consultation

- 1.1 Following a request from the Business Manager of Marshalls Park School and StreetCare Officers, the item was presented to The Highways Advisory Committee in November 2013 where it was agreed in principal to design and consult of proposals.
- 1.2 Approximately 10 letters were hand delivered to the area on 13<sup>th</sup> December 2013 with a closing date of 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2014.
- 1.3 By the close of consultation, 1 response had been received supporting the proposals although they made reference to the congestion in the area caused by the traffic signals in the vicinity of the school. As all traffic signals are managed by Transport for London this information has been passed on to them requesting that they contact the resident to provide them with the necessary information.
- 1.4 Additionally Key stakeholders were consulted such as London Buses, emergency services and Ward Councillors. Notices were also placed on site detailing the proposals and advertised in the press.

#### 2.0 Staff Comments

2.1 The extension of the School Keep Clear marking is considered to be very important to the operation of the school site. This will vastly improve the safety of road users and visitor, in particular school children. It will also aid in improving access to the school site as we have received a number of

reports of obstructive parking. We would recommend these proposals be implemented as proposed and Officers will continue to monitor the site to ensure that the new parking arrangements work sufficiently for the area. Any subsequent proposals will be put to this Committee.

### **IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS**

#### Financial implications and risks:

This report is asking the Highways Advisory Committee to recommend to the Lead Member the implementation of the above scheme.

The estimated cost of implementing the proposals as described above and shown on the attached plan is £500 including advertising costs. This cost can be met from the 2014/2015 Minor Parking Schemes revenue 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.

# Legal implications and risks:

Extensions of School keep clear markings require consultation and the advertisement of proposals before a decision can be taken on their introduction.

#### **Human Resources implications and risks:**

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

# **Equalities implications and risks:**

All proposals included in the report have been publicly advertised and subject to public consultation.

We recognise that parking restrictions have the potential to displace parking to adjacent areas, which may disadvantage some individuals and groups, particularly residents living locally, people on low incomes and local businesses. However, parking restrictions in residential areas around school sites are often installed to improve road safety and prevent short-term non-residential parking.

As potential/likely equalities issues and concerns raised through the consultation have been factored into the final proposal, officers recommend that the proposed changes be implemented as set out in this report and the effects be monitored on a regular basis.

**BACKGROUND PAPERS** 

**Appendix A - Pettits Lane** 

# Appendix A

