



HIGHWAYS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

15 April 2014

REPORT

Subject Heading:

TPC339 PROPOSED School Keep Clear Markings and conversion of existing operational hours – Annan Way & Ayr Way - comments to advertised proposals

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

Clean, safe and green borough	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Excellence in education and learning	<input type="checkbox"/>
Opportunities for all through economic, social and cultural activity	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Value and enhance the life of every individual	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
High customer satisfaction and a stable council tax	<input type="checkbox"/>

SUMMARY

This report outlines the responses received to the advertised proposals to convert the existing waiting restrictions in Annan Way to School Keep Clear markings and convert the operational hours of the existing School Keep Clear restrictions in Ayr Way.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Committee having considered the report and representations made recommends to the Cabinet Member for Community Empowerment to implement:

- a) the proposals to change the existing operational hours of the School Keep Clear markings in Ayr Way from 8:15 - 9:15am & 3:00 - 4:15pm Monday to Friday to 8am - 5pm Monday to Friday.

and:

- b) convert the existing 8:15 - 9:15am & 3:00 - 4:15pm Monday to Friday waiting restrictions and implement School Keep Clear markings the full extent of Annan Way, with operational times of 8am - 5pm Monday to Friday.

The effects of the scheme be monitored once implemented for a period of six months.

REPORT DETAIL

1.0 Background

- 1.1 At a meeting of 13th August 2013 this Committee agreed to consult on proposals to convert the existing No waiting restrictions in Annan Way from 8:15 - 9:15am & 3:00 - 4:15pm to 8am - 5pm Monday to Friday. This was deferred pending further information which was to be presented to the Committee at the September 2013 meeting
- 1.2 On the 17th September 2013 this request was resubmitted and included the proposals to increase the operational hours to 8am - 5pm Monday to Friday of the existing School Keep Clear in Ayr Way.
- 1.3 It was agreed by this Committee that the scheme be moved from the deferred list to the Minor Schemes works programme to publically consult.
- 1.4 These proposals were subsequently designed and publicly advertised on the 7th March 2014. A copy of the plan outlining the proposals is contained in this report, titled **Appendix A**.
- 1.5 Residents in the immediate area of the proposed scheme were notified by letter, enclosing a copy of plan reference TPC339. In addition to this 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 Outcome of Public Consultation

- 2.1 On the 7th March 2014, residents that were perceived to be affected by the proposals were advised by letter enclosing a copy of plan reference TPC339 which detailed the proposals. Eighteen statutory bodies were also consulted and site notices were placed in Annan Way and Ayr Way
- 2.2 At the close of the public consultation on 28th March 2014, 4 responses were received. Please refer to Appendix B of this report.

3.0 Staff Comments

- 3.1 The introduction of the School Keep Clear restrictions is considered to be very important to the operation of the school site and for the safety of pedestrians and visitors, in particular children. The effect of the prohibition of stopping outside schools would be to impose school keep clear no stopping restrictions operative between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. on Mondays to Fridays on Annan Way and Ayr Way. Outside of these hours parking would be permitted therefore allowing local residents to utilise this kerb space.

IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS

Financial implications and risks:

This report is asking HAC 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 £2000 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:

Waiting restrictions and parking bays require consultation and the advertisement of proposals and the consideration of the responses before a decision can be taken on their introduction.

Human Resources implications and risks:

None

Equalities implications and risks:

Parking restrictions in residential areas are often installed to improve road safety and accessibility for residents who may be affected by long-term non-residential parking.

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 and young people, older people), this will assist the Council in meeting its duty under the Act.

The proposals included in the report for Annan Way, outside Rise Park School.

All proposals included in the report have been publicly advertised and subject to formal consultation. Consultation responses have been considered to inform the final proposals. It is noted that some of the consultation responses (see Appendix B),

There will be some visual impact from the required signing and lining works but it is anticipated that this work will improve road safety and access for disabled people, older people and parents with prams.

BACKGROUND PAPER



Annan Way

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 Date: 03 April 2014
 Size: A4

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Appendix B

<i>Responses</i>	<i>For</i>	<i>Against</i>
Resident of Annan Way		
Head Teacher of Rise Park School		
Resident		
Resident		

- 1) A resident of Annan Way is opposing to the proposals as the problem of parking could be solved by opening the entrance located on Pettit's Lane North. The resident stated that if the only way to prevent 'stupid' parking is to introduce 8am - 5pm restrictions then so be it but who will enforce them.
- 2) Member of staff from the Rise Park Infant School informed us that they are for the proposals for school keep clears enforceable 8am - 5pm Monday to Friday.
- 3) Objection received from a resident of the area that states that the proposals are a waste of money and the only people that would be affected would be the residents. The current restrictions should be enforced by official people (The Police).
- 4) A resident opposes to the proposals to implement an 8am - 5pm restrictions in Annan Way as it will not stop people from parking and we are penalising the residents of the area by bringing in all day waiting restrictions.