

HIGHWAYS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

REPORT

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Subject Heading: TPC296 Upminster CPZ Parking

Review - 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	[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	

SUMMARY

This report outlines the responses received to the informal consultation and the subsequent design and consultation of advertised proposals for the extensions to the Upminster Controlled Parking Zone in Beech Avenue, South View Drive and Fairfield Avenue.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. That the Committee having considered the representations made recommends to the Cabinet Member for Environment that the following measures, as set out in the report and shown on the drawings at Appendix 1 and 2, be implemented:
 - extension of the existing controlled parking zone to the unrestricted areas of Beech Avenue and Fairfield Avenue with the implementation of waiting restrictions operational Monday to Friday 08:00am - 09.30am;
 - introduction of a Free parking Bay on the western side of Fairview Avenue at its junction with Park Drive;
 - extension of the existing Monday to Friday 08:00am 09.30am in South View Drive to the common boundary of Nos. 58 and 60.
- 2. That the effects of any implemented be monitored
- 3. That it be noted that the estimate cost of £3,000 for implementation will be met from the 2014/15 Minor Parking Schemes budget.

REPORT DETAIL

1.0 Background

- 1.1 At its meeting in May 2012 this committee approved in principle proposals to review roads around the southern fringe of the Upminster Controlled Parking Zone (CPZ) for possible extensions to the Zone.
- 1.2 The Highways Advisory Committee requested that the Head of StreetCare proceed with an informal consultation by way of questionnaire to gauge views on parking and setting out options which aids Officers to design an appropriate scheme encompassing the local issues.

- 1.3 On 22nd October 2012 Approximately 557 letters and questionnaires were delivered with a closing date of Friday 12th November 2012.
- 1.4 The results of the informal questionnaire **Appendix 3** were reported back to this committee at its meeting on 14th May 2013, where it was agreed that formal proposals should be designed and advertised to introduce waiting restrictions operational Monday to Friday 08:00am 09.30am in Beech Avenue, South View Drive and Fairfield Avenue.
- 1.5 In Fairfield Avenue it was also agreed to introduce a free parking bay to limit the displacement of parked vehicles.
- 1.6 The proposals were designed and formally advertised on 31st January 2014 where residents and businesses that were perceived to be affected by the proposals, were advised of them by letter and plan. Eighteen statutory bodies were also consulted and site notices were placed at the location.
- 1.7 This report outlines the results of the formal consultation of the designed proposals and recommends a further course of action.

2.0 Proposed Scheme

2.1 The proposals are to extend the existing controlled parking zone to the currently unrestricted areas of Beech Avenue and Fairfield Avenue with waiting restrictions operational Monday to Friday 08:00am - 09.30am; while introducing a Free parking Bay on the western side of Fairview Avenue at its junction with Park Drive. It is also proposed to extend the existing Monday to Friday 08:00am - 09.30am in South View Drive to the common boundary of Nos. 58 and 60.

3.0 Outcome of Public Consultation

- 3.1 Data collected from the informal consultation questionnaire is set out in Appendix 3 of this report.
- 3.2 During the formal consultation 103 letters that were posted to residents of the area there were 65 responses received, approximately 63% return.
- 3.3 Overall from the 65 responses received, 46 respondents (71%) were in favour of the proposals, while 18 respondents (28%) were against the proposals. It was difficult to ascertain from one response received from Beech Avenue if the comments were in support or against the proposals and were not factored into the overall results.
- 3.4 Summary of comments to the proposals and Staff comments are shown on **Appendix 4** of this report.

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 £3000 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 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:

The proposals included in the report have been publicly advertised and subject to public consultation. All residents who were perceived to be affected by the proposals have been consulted formally and informally by letter and plan. Eighteen statutory bodies were also consulted and site notices were placed at the location.

By the end of the consultation there was only one equality issue raised in respect of accessibility for the Doctors surgery that is no longer open.

After careful consideration officers have recommended that the proposal be implemented as advertised and the effects be monitored on a regular basis to ensure any equality negative impact is mitigated. However, it should be noted that road users wish to be able to park conveniently close to their destinations, but on the other hand they do not want the roads obstructed by parked vehicles. The local authorities responsible for managing highways are charged with finding the correct balance between these two conflicting demands. However, in order to deal with the issue of households where there is a capacity issue privately on site, perhaps the Highways Advisory Committee could consider the option of a permit parking scheme in order to facilitate the needs of residents. This would require sufficient residential, business and member support before an application can be considered and presented to the Committee.

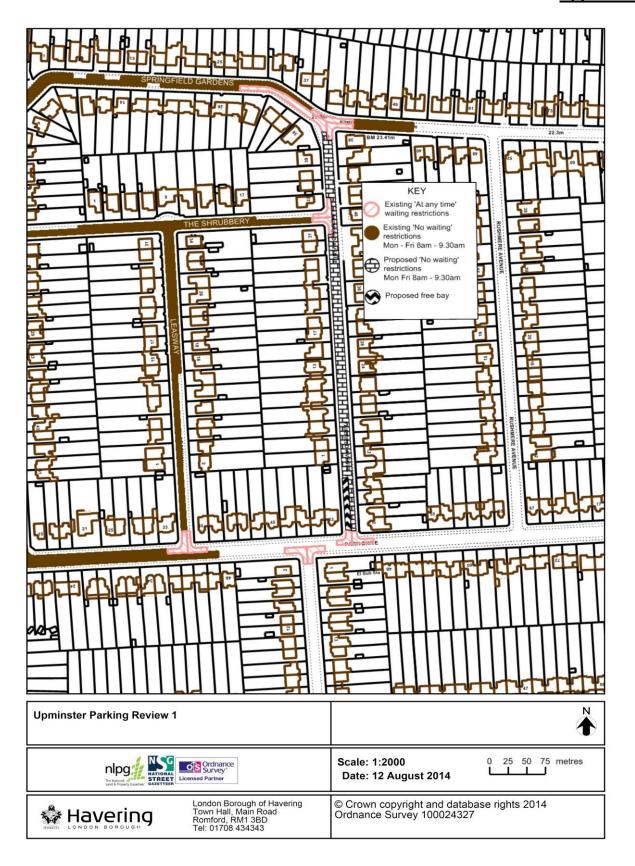
We recognise that parking restrictions have the potential to displace parking to adjacent areas, which may disadvantage some individuals and groups, particularly disabled and older people, residents living locally and local businesses. However, parking restrictions in residential are often installed to improve road safety and prevent short-term non-residential parking, which will contribute to the safety and well-being of Havering's residents.

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.

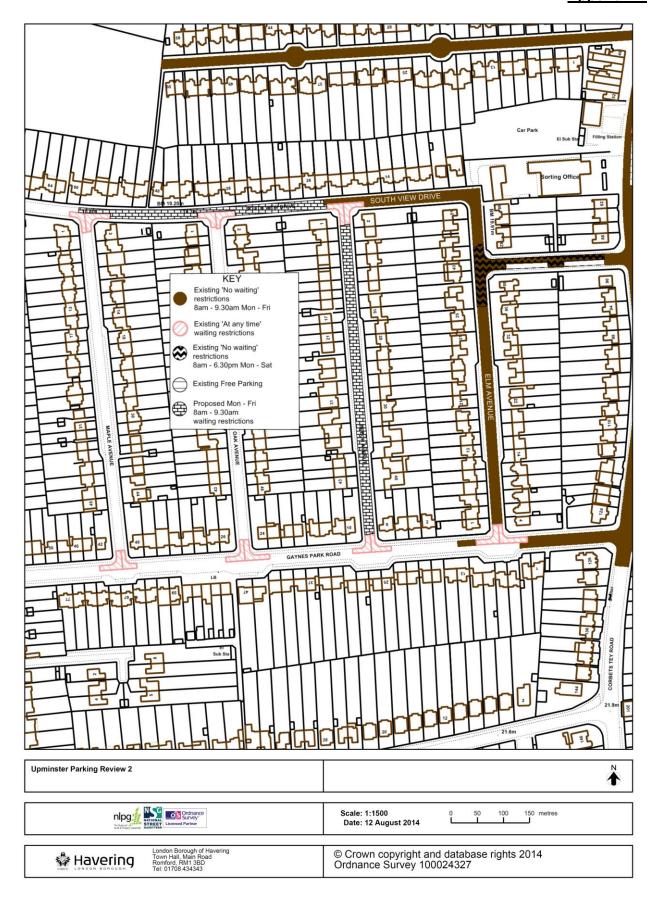
Staff will monitor the effects of these proposals and if it is considered that further changes are necessary, the issues will be reported back to this Committee and a further course of action can be agreed.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

Appendix 1



Appendix 2



Appendix 3

	UPMINSTER PARKING REVIEW RESULTS OF PUIBLIC CONSULTATION														
Road	No of properties consulted	No. of Individual Responses received	% Return	For	Against		iction pe	What hours of the day		Days of the Week		Support Yellow Lines at Junctions			
						Res	WR	All day	2 hours	1 hour	Other*	M-F	M-S	For	Against
The Shrubbery	9	2	22	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Argyle Gardens	20	5	25	2	3	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	2	0
Meadow Way	46	14	30	1	13	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
Leasway	25	11	44	2	9	2	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	2	0
Gaynes Park Road	8	3	37.5	1	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0
Rushmere Avenue	38	14	36	3	12	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	2	0
Ashleigh Gardens	34	16	47	0	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	1
Park Drive	57	22	38	2	20	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	3	2
Roxburgh Avenue	34	13	38	0	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	1
Southview Drive	20	14	70	11	3	0	9	3	5	1	0	7	2	9	0
Elm Avenue	48	16	33	2	14	1	1	0	1	1	0	2	0	6	1
Fairfield Avenue	48	30	62	23	7	4	18	4	9	3	6	20	6	23	0
Beech Avenue	42	24	57	13	10	3	10	1	5	3	4	11	2	16	0
Springfield Gardens	127	40	32	14	26	3	11	7	4	3	0	7	6	13	0
Unknown		20		7	13	1	6	1	3	1	2	5	2	9	1
Totals	557	244	43	81	163	18	59	20	30	13	13	57	22	97	6



	Respondent	Road	Summary of Comments	Staff Comments
1	A Resident	Beech	With reference to your letter dated	Unable to ascertain if the comments were either in
		Avenue	31st January and my e-mail on this subject, I would like to draw your attention to correspondence which took place in February 2004 regarding this subject and also refers to what took place in 2000!! Perhaps you could bury this subject once and for all	support or against the proposals. No comment
2	A Resident	Beech Avenue	The resident is not in favour due to living near by the Doctor's surgery and had concerns of where cars would park during the proposed restrictions.	The Doctor surgery is no longer open
3	A Resident	Beech Avenue	Very happy with the proposals and thinks Havering Council should go ahead and install	No comment
4	A Resident	Beech Avenue	The resident is against the proposals as this would have an effect on the doctor's surgery.	The Doctor surgery is no longer open
5	A Resident	Beech Avenue	The resident is against the proposals as they have gone to great expense to ensure that at least 2 cars can be parked off road and they are a family of 4 with 4 cars which would mean 2 cars would need to be parked on the road during proposed restrictions.	Road users wish to be able to park conveniently close to their destinations, but on the other hand they do not want the roads obstructed by parked vehicles. The local authorities responsible for managing highways are charged with finding the correct balance between these two conflicting demands. However, in order to deal with the issue of households where there is a capacity issue privately on site, perhaps the Highways Advisory Committee could consider the option of a

				permit parking scheme in order to facilitate the needs of this resident. This would require sufficient residential, business and Councillor support in the form of a petition before an application can be considered and presented to the Committee.
6	A Resident	Beech Avenue	Resident is in favour of the proposals.	No comment
7	A Resident	Beech Avenue	Resident is in favour of the proposals.	No comment
8	A Resident	Beech Avenue	Resident is in favour of the proposals as she lives at the doctor's end of Beech Avenue and feels it is always congested.	No comment
9	A Resident	Beech Avenue	The resident is in favour of the proposals and feels this would improve traffic flow and road safety.	No comment
10	A Resident	Beech Avenue	The residents are in favour of the proposals.	No comment
11	A Resident	Beech Avenue	Resident is against the proposals as she does not have a driveway or garage and this would affect where the car is parked.	Whilst we appreciate that parking restrictions have a
12	A Resident	Beech Avenue	The resident is against the proposals as there are some properties within the road which have no choice to park their car in the road and he feels this would be an issue to them residents.	Road users wish to be able to park conveniently close to their destinations, but on the other hand they do not want the roads obstructed by parked vehicles, sometimes caused by commuter parking. The local authorities responsible for managing highways are charged with finding the correct balance between these two conflicting demands. However, in order to deal with the issue of households where there is a capacity issue privately on site, perhaps the Highways Advisory Committee could consider the option of a permit parking scheme in order to facilitate the needs of this resident. This would require sufficient

				residential, business and Councillor support in the form of a petition before an application can be considered and presented to the Committee.
13	A Resident	Beech Avenue	The resident is against the proposals as they feel this will just move the cars into the next road.	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 and local businesses.
14	A Resident	Beech Avenue	Resident is against the proposals as this will affect the residents living in these roads who do not have off road parking facilities.	Road users wish to be able to park conveniently close to their destinations, but on the other hand they do not want the roads obstructed by parked vehicles, sometimes caused by commuter parking. The local authorities responsible for managing highways are charged with finding the correct balance between these two conflicting demands. However, in order to deal with the issue of households where there is a capacity issue privately on site, perhaps the Highways Advisory Committee could consider the option of a permit parking scheme in order to facilitate the needs of this resident. This would require sufficient residential, business and Councillor support in the form of a petition before an application can be considered and presented to the Committee.
15	A Resident	Beech Avenue	The resident is against the proposals.	No comment
16	A Resident	Beech Avenue	The resident is in favour of the proposals.	No comment
17	A Resident	Beech Avenue	The resident is in favour of the proposals, However she feels it is important that free parking provisions are available for those residents that do not have off street	No comment

			parking.	
18	A Resident	Beech	Resident is against the proposals.	No comment
		Avenue		
19	A Resident	Beech	The resident is in favour of the	No comment
		Avenue	proposals.	
20	A Resident	Beech	The resident is against the proposals	The Doctor surgery is no longer open
		Avenue	as this would have an effect on the	
			doctor's surgery.	
21	A Resident	Beech	The resident is in favour of the	No comment
		Avenue	proposals.	
22	A Resident	Beech	The resident is in favour of the	No comment
		Avenue	proposals as he feels this road is	
			very dangerous and proposals would	
			help.	
23	A Resident	Beech	Resident is in favour of the	No comment
		Avenue	proposals	
24	A Resident	Beech	The resident is against the proposals	
		Avenue	as he feels there is no need in the	
			restrictions.	
25	A Resident	Beech	The resident is in favour of the	No comment
		Avenue	proposals.	
26	A Resident	Beech	The resident is in favour of the	No comment
		Avenue	proposals and feels the scheme	
			should have been installed a long	
	A D	F : 6: 1.1	time ago.	N
27	A Resident	Fairfield	The resident is against the proposals	No comment
	A D	Avenue	T	N
28	A Resident	Fairfield	The resident is in favour of the	No comment
	A Davidson	Avenue	restrictions.	Newson
29	A Resident	Fairfield	The resident is in favour of the	No comment
	D : 1 (1)	Avenue	scheme.	l l
30	Resident's	Fairfield	The resident is in favour of the	No comment
		Avenue	scheme.	

31	A Resident	Fairfield Avenue	The resident is in favour of the scheme as this will stop commuter parking.	No comment
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33	A Resident	Fairfield Avenue	The resident is in favour of the scheme.	No comment
34	Residents	Fairfield Avenue	The resident is in favour of the scheme as they feel this will help with the refuse collection vehicles.	No comment
35	Residents	Fairfield Avenue	The resident is in favour of the scheme as they feel this will help with the refuse collection vehicles.	No comment
36	Residents	Fairfield Avenue	The resident is in favour of the scheme and said they deal with commuters parking badly and it is hard for disposal tricks, deliveries and emergency vehicles to get through.	No comment
37	Residents	Fairfield Avenue	The resident is in favour of the scheme.	No comment
38	A Resident	Fairfield Avenue	The resident is against the proposals.	No comment
39	A Resident	Fairfield Avenue	The resident is in favour of the proposals	No comment
40	A Resident	Fairfield Avenue	The resident is in favour of the proposals	No comment
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45	A Resident	Fairfield Avenue	The resident is in favour of the proposals	No comment
46	Residents	Fairfield Avenue	The resident is in favour of the proposals	No comment
47	Residents	Fairfield Avenue	The resident is in favour of the proposals	No comment
48	A Resident	Fairfield Avenue	The resident is in favour of the proposals as frequently they have problems accessing and egressing there front garden	No comment
49	A Resident	Fairfield Avenue	The resident is in favour of the proposals	No comment
50	A Resident	Fairfield Avenue	The resident is against the proposals	No comment
51	A Resident	Fairfield Avenue	The resident is against the proposals and feels this would cause an issue to any residents that do not have off street parking.	Road users wish to be able to park conveniently close to their destinations, but on the other hand they do not want the roads obstructed by parked vehicles, sometimes caused by commuter parking. The local authorities responsible for managing highways are charged with finding the correct balance between these two conflicting demands. However, in order to deal with the issue of households where there is a capacity issue privately on site, perhaps the Highways Advisory Committee could consider the option of a permit parking scheme in order to facilitate the needs of this resident. This would require sufficient residential, business and Councillor support in the form of a petition before an application can be considered and presented to the Committee.

52	A Resident	Fairfield Avenue	The resident is in favour of the proposals	No comment
53	A Resident	Fairfield Avenue	The resident is in favour of the proposals	No comment
54	A Resident	Fairfield Avenue	The resident is in favour of the proposals and feels they should have been installed a long time ago.	No comment
55	A Resident	Fairfield Avenue	The resident is against the proposals as they have a three car family and do not have enough room on the drive to put all the cars.	Road users wish to be able to park conveniently close to their destinations, but on the other hand they do not want the roads obstructed by parked vehicles, sometimes caused by commuter parking. The local authorities responsible for managing highways are charged with finding the correct balance between these two conflicting demands. However, in order to deal with the issue of households where there is a capacity issue privately on site, perhaps the Highways Advisory Committee could consider the option of a permit parking scheme in order to facilitate the needs of this resident. This would require sufficient residential, business and Councillor support in the form of a petition before an application can be considered and presented to the Committee.
56	A Resident	South View Drive	The resident is against the proposals as this would affect the carer that visits there mother every day.	The carer is entitled to apply for a Health and Home Care permit which will allow the applicant to park on a single yellow line in order to carry out the necessary care for the individual. The terms and conditions can be viewed by visiting our website at www.havering.gov.uk/parkingpermits
57	A Resident	South View Drive	The resident is in favour of the proposals	No comment
58	A Resident	South View Drive	The resident is for the scheme and they are overjoyed that it has taken 6 years and now finally the council feel it is worthwhile.	No comment

59	A Resident	South View Drive	The resident is for the scheme and they are overjoyed that it has taken 2 years and now finally the council feel it is worthwhile.	No comment
60	A Resident	South View Drive	The resident is against the proposals and feel there is no reason for these to be installed	Road users wish to be able to park conveniently close to their destinations, but on the other hand they do not want the roads obstructed by parked vehicles, sometimes caused by commuter parking. The local authorities responsible for managing highways are charged with finding the correct balance between these two conflicting demands. However, in order to deal with the issue of households where there is a capacity issue privately on site, perhaps the Highways Advisory Committee could consider the option of a permit parking scheme in order to facilitate the needs of this resident. This would require sufficient residential, business and Councillor support in the form of a petition before an application can be considered and presented to the Committee.
61	A Resident	South View Drive	The resident is for the scheme as there is a parking problem in the road, however the resident feels this will push the issue to another road.	No comment
62	A Resident	South View Drive	The resident is in favour of the proposals	No comment
63	A Resident	South View Drive	The resident is in favour of the proposals	No comment
64	A Resident	South View Drive	The resident is in favour of the proposals as the road becomes incredibly busy and sometimes dangerous with the number of cars parking at peak commuter periods	No comment
65	A Resident	South View	The resident is in favour of the	No comment

	Drive	proposals and said 'At last, will be	
		wonderful'.	