

HIGHWAYS ADVISORY COMMITTEE 7 July 2015

Subject Heading:	Proposed Loading bay fronting No.39 High Street Outcome of public consultation
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Policy context:	Transport for London 2015/16 Local Implementation Plan allocation for Loading facilities
Financial summary:	The estimated cost of £1000 for implementation will be met by Transport for London through the 2015/16 Local Implementation Plan allocation for Freight Loading Facilities.

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

Havering will be clean and its environment will be cared for	[X]
People will be safe, in their homes and in the community	[X]
Residents will be proud to live in Havering	[]

SUMMARY

This report sets out the responses to a consultation for a loading bay located outside No. 39 High Street, Romford and seeks a recommendation that the proposal be implemented.

The scheme is within Romford Town Ward.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. That the Highways Advisory Committee having considered this report and the representations made recommends to the **Cabinet Member for the Environment** that:
 - a. The proposals to implement the loading bay in High Street, (as shown on plan QN010_HSTMO_001) be implemented as advertised;
 - b. The effect of any agreed proposals be monitored.
- 2. Members note that the estimated cost of this scheme in High Street as set out in this report is £1,000, will be met by Transport for London through the 2015/16 Local Implementation Plan allocation for Freight Loading Facilities.

REPORT DETAIL

1.0 Background

- 1.1 As part of the 2015/16 Transport for London Local Implementation Plan (LIP) a budget has been provided as part of the Borough wide rolling programme of freight loading improvements. Additional facilities for High Street have been identified as necessary.
- 1.2 The proposals were subsequently designed and publicly advertised. A plan of the proposals (ref: QN010_HSTMO_001) is appended to this report as **Appendix A**.
- 1.3 On 14th April 2015 residents who 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.
- 1.4 By the close of the consultation on the 15th May 2015 no responses were received to the advertised proposals.

2.0 Outcome of Public Consultation

2.1 By the close of consultation, no responses were received to the proposals.

3.0 Staff Comments

2.1 As there were no adverse responses to the proposals, it is considered that they should be implemented as advertised.

IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS

Financial implications and risks:

This report is asking HAC to recommend to the Cabinet Member the implementation of the above scheme

The estimated cost of £1,000 for implementation will be met by Transport for London through the 2015/16 Local Implementation Plan allocation for Loading Facilities. The funding will need to be spent by 31st March 2016, to ensure full access to the grant.

The costs shown are an estimate of the full costs of the scheme, should all proposals be implemented. It should be noted that subject to the recommendations of the committee a final decision then would be made by the Lead Member – as regards 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 overall Streetcare Capital budget.

Legal implications and risks:

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

Human Resources implications and risks:

None.

Equalities Implications and Risks:

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

At the close of public consultation no responses were received.

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.

We recognise that the proposals 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.

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 people, which will assist the Council in meeting its duties under 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

Project file: QN010_HSTMO_001

APPENDIX A



