

# HIGHWAYS ADVISORY COMMITTEE 11 August 2015

Subject Heading:	<b>TPC460/3 – Scott's Primary School</b> Proposed School Keep Clear markings and 'At any time' waiting restrictions comments to advertised proposals
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Policy context:	Traffic & Parking Control
Financial summary:	The estimated cost of £1,000 for implementation will be met by 2015/16 revenue budget for Minor Traffic and Parking.

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

#### **Objectives**

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

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This report outlines the responses received to the advertised proposals to introduce 'At any time' waiting restrictions around the junctions and apexes of bends around the Scott's School site and to change the hours of the existing school Keep clear marking to operate from 8am to 5 pm Monday to Friday inclusive and recommends a further course of action.

The scheme is within Hacton Ward.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. That the Committee having considered the report and representations made recommends to the Cabinet Member for Environment that the following proposals as shown on drawing reference TPC460/3 (contained within Appendix A) be implemented as advertised:
  - a) the operational (term time) hours of the existing School Keep Clear marking in Bonnington Road be changed from 8:15 to 9:15am and 3:00 to 4:15pm Monday to Friday inclusive, to 8:00am to 5:00pm Monday to Friday inclusive;
  - b) the implementation of 'At any time' waiting restrictions in Swanbourne Drive, Veny Crescent, Bonnington Road and Scotney Walk but with an amendment to the proposed restriction to the rear of No.1 Scotney Walk, where the extent of the restriction on the western side of Bonnington Road should be reduced by 5 metres to 10 metres.
  - c) a review of the parking restrictions be undertaken in roads around the other school entrance in Maybank Avenue area;
  - d) the effects of any agreed proposals be monitored.
- 2. That Members note that the estimated cost of this scheme as set out in this report is £1000, which can be funded from the 2015/16 Minor Parking Schemes budget

**REPORT DETAIL** 

## 1.0 Background

- 1.1 At its meeting held on the 8<sup>th</sup> July 2014, this Committee agreed to review the parking restriction around Scott's Primary school while updating the School Keep Clear markings.
- 1.2 The proposals were subsequently designed and publicly advertised on the 13<sup>th</sup> of February 2015, when 97 consultation letters were delivered to residents in the area, including Scott's Primary School and the Hacton Ward Councillors, with a closing date of Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2015. A copy of the plan outlining the proposals is appended to this report as **Appendix A**.
- 1.3 The results of the formal consultation are set out in the table appended to this report as **Appendix B**.

## 2.0 Outcome of Public Consultation

- 2.1 On the 13<sup>th</sup> of February 2015, Scott's Primary School and residents that were perceived to be affected by the proposals were advised of them by letter and plan reference TPC460, which details the proposals. Eighteen statutory bodies were also consulted and site notices were placed in the area.
- 2.2 The responses received to the formal consultation along with staff comments are set out in the table appended to this report as **Appendix B**.
- 2.3 Within the formal consultation 97 letters were sent to residents of the Bonnington Road, Scotney Walk, Veny Crescent and Swanborne Drive area and 15 responses were received, a 14.5% return.
- 2.4 At the close of the public consultation on 6<sup>th</sup> March 2015, 15 responses were received to the proposals. From these responses 7 were in favour of the proposal, including the Head Teacher of Scott's School, 5 responses were in favour of part of the proposals, these were mainly concerned about displacement and the remaining 5 responses were not in favour of the proposals. A summary of the responses can be found in the table appended to this report as **Appendix B**.

## 3.0 Staff Comments

- 3.1 All of the proposed restrictions within this report are proposed around junctions or apexes of bend and are designed to improve road safety in the areas where accidents are most likely to take place.
- 3.2 Having considered the proposals, Officers have identified and assessed the potential negative impact that the parking scheme poses on the residents, and recommends to the Committee that all of the proposals be implemented as advertised, with a 5 metre reduction of the proposed 'At any time' waiting restrictions to the rear of No.1 Scotney Walk, to accommodate ease of access to the property for the resident who has a child with a disability.
- 3.3 Further to the above, Officers also recommend to the Committee that in view of the Head Teachers comments, that a review of the parking restrictions be undertaken in roads around the other school entrance in Maybank Aveue.

**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 £1000 including advertising costs. This cost can be met from the 2015/2016 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:

All proposals included in the report have been publicly advertised and public consultation has taken place. All residents who were perceived to be affected by the proposals and Scott's School have been consulted by letter with attached plan of the proposals and eighteen statutory bodies were also consulted. Site notices were placed at the location.

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.

The only equality related concern raised in the consultation related to a resident in Scotney Walk, who has a child with a disability and have requested that the proposed restrictions to the rear of No.1 be reduced in length to accommodate easy access to the property.

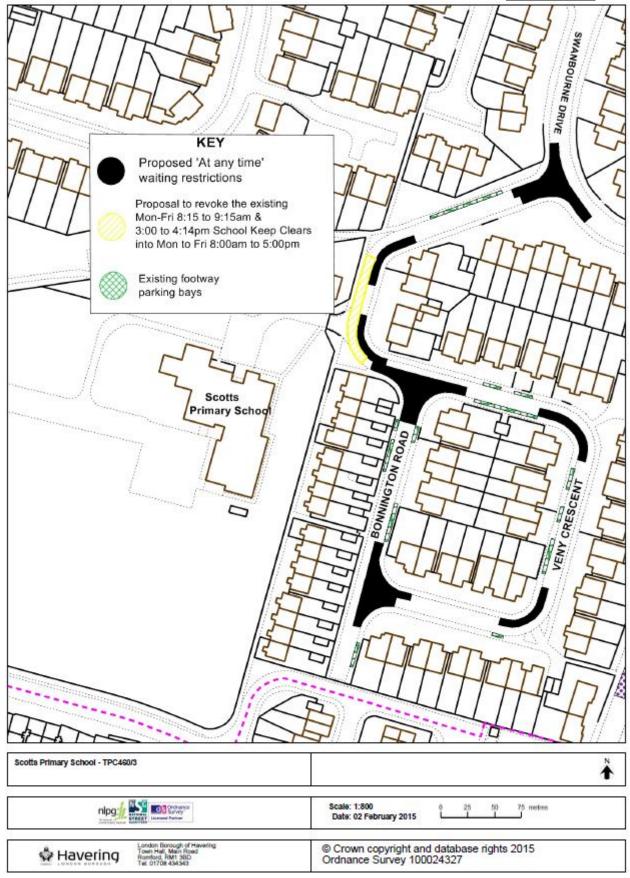
A Ward Councillor has been in touch with the resident, who has indicated that they will be happy if the proposed restrictions were reduced by 5 metres to the rear of No.1 Scotney Walk, in Bonnington Road. Officers recommend that the proposed changes be implemented as set out in the recommendations of this report which incorporates the above proposal and the effects be monitored on a regular basis to ensure any negative impact on equality is mitigated.

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 the Equality Act 2010.

**BACKGROUND PAPER** 

# Appendix A Appendix B

#### Appendix A



# Responses received to the formal consultation.

	Respondent	Summary of Comments	Staff Comments
1	A resident of Scotney Walk	The resident is in favour of part of the scheme. The current proposal will make an already limited parking extremely difficult for residents and visitors of Scotney Walk and the surrounding area. They feel the proposed yellow lines at the junction of Bonnington Road and running to the rear of Scotney Walk are excessive and should only need to protect the curve of the junction. They would like to suggest the lines do not need to go beyond the waste drain at the border of number1 Scotney Walk.	Consideration has been given to a family members needs and it will be put to the Committee to reduce the length of the proposed waiting restriction to the rear of No.1 Scotney Walk from 15 metres to 10 metres
2	A resident of Veny Crescent	The resident is in favour of the proposals and says that's it's a shame but some people have no common sense.	No comments
3	A resident of Bonnington Road	The resident is not in favour of the proposals due to the impact the restrictions will have on their ability to park outside or near their home.	The restriction have only been proposed in areas where parking is more likely to cause a problem to sight lines or traffic flow and therefore may compromises road safety
4	The Head Teacher of Scott's Primary School	As a school they are fully in favour of the proposals to convert the existing School Keep Clear markings in Bonnington Road to 8am to 5pm and the waiting restrictions. The Head Teacher continues to say that the current parking in	The Head Teachers comments have been noted regarding problems at the entrance

		Bonnington Road caused problems for staff and visitors to the school because of the bend in the road; the visibility of oncoming traffic is poor. Additionally she mentions the parking along the road poses a real danger to pupils who walk between the parked cars to cross the road, and also suggests the parking at the rear of the school is reviewed – Maybank Avenue as many parents use this entrance.	in Maybank Avenue and a review of this area will be undertaken.
5	A resident of Suttons Lane	The resident is against the proposals due there already being limited parking for residents/visitors and tradesman.	The restriction have only been proposed in areas where parking is more likely to cause a problem to sight lines or traffic flow and therefore may compromises road safety
6	A resident	The resident is in favour of part of the scheme. The current proposal will make an already limited parking extremely difficult for residents and visitors of Scotney Walk and the surrounding area. They feel the proposed yellow lines at the junction of Bonnington Road and running to the rear of Scotney Walk are excessive and should only need to protect the curve of the junction. They would like to suggest the lines do not need to go beyond the waste drain at the border of number1 Scotney Walk.	Consideration has been given to a family members needs and it will be put to the committee to reduce the length of the proposed waiting restriction to the rear of No.1 Scotney Walk from 15 metres to 10 metres
7	A resident of Veny Crescent	The resident is in favour of the proposals.	None
8	A resident	This resident is not in favour of the proposals and would prefer	As term times very form

9	A resident	the operational times be during term time only.	school to school and area to area, it is now considered that the words Term Time area to ambiguous to use and this is why the Monday to Friday time has been proposed and is being used as a standard throughout the borough None
10	A resident of Swanbourne Drive.	safer. The resident is in favour of part of the scheme but is concerned the proposals will simply push the problem elsewhere on the estate. They suggest the restrictions be extended further along Swanbourne Drive towards Suttons Lane.	There is always a possibility that with the introduction of any new restrictions parking may be displaced into other areas. The effects of any agreed proposals will be monitored to see how parking patterns change and if it is felt necessary, further proposals will be put the this Committee for its consideration.
11	A resident	The resident is in favour of the proposals and says it will make the area safer.	It is expected that the proposals

			should make the area safer for all road users.
12	A resident	The resident is in favour of part of the scheme but has concern about where parents are going to park. They suggest that 'No stopping' should be all the way along the side opposite the school gate.	The effect of any greed restrictions will be monitored and if it is considered necessary, further proposals will be presented to this Committee for its consideration.
13	A resident	The resident is in favour of the scheme.	None
14	A resident of Veny Crescent	The resident is in favour of part of the scheme. They feel the proposals are too excessive and should not have to affect all residents.	The restriction have only been proposed in areas where parking is more likely to cause a problem to sight lines or traffic flow and therefore may compromises road safety
15	A resident of Veny Crescent	The resident is in favour of the scheme	None