



HIGHWAYS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

1 March 2016

Subject Heading:

TPC792 Margaret, Lawrence and Clive Roads area – results of the informal consultation

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Policy context:

Traffic & Parking Control

Financial summary:

The estimated cost of £5000 for implementation will be met by 2016/17 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	[x]
People will be safe, in their homes and in the community	[x]
Residents will be proud to live in Havering	[x]

SUMMARY

This report outlines the responses received to the informal parking consultation undertaken in the Margaret, Lawrence and Clive Road Area and recommends a further course of action.

Ward

Squirrels Heath Ward

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1 That the Highways Advisory Committee having considered this report and the representations made, recommends to the **Cabinet Member for Environment** that:
 - a) Proposals to introduce a residents parking scheme operational between Monday to Friday 8am and 6.30pm inclusive with the related 'At Any Time' waiting restrictions, as shown on the plan appended to this report as Appendix A, be publicly advertised and a further report on the responses received to the formal consultation be reported back to this Committee to agree a further course of action.
 - b) Members note that the estimated cost for this current proposal for the detailed consultation in the Margaret, Lawrence and Clive Road area, as set out in this report is £5000, and will be met from the 2016/17 Revenue budget for Minor Traffic and Parking.

REPORT DETAIL

1.0 Background

- 1.1 Following reports from local residents regarding inconsiderate or obstructive parking in the area, this Committee approved proposals to introduce 'At Any Time' waiting restrictions on junctions and apexes of the bends in the area. As a result of the introduction of the new waiting restrictions at bends and junctions, in November 2015, this Committee agreed that an informal consultation should be undertaken as residents had commented on the reduction of parking space and commuter parking in the area.
- 1.2 An informal consultation was undertaken between 18th December 2015 and 15th January 2016, to gauge the views from the residents on the current parking situation on their roads. A copy of the questionnaire used to gauge residents feeling is appended to this report as Appendix A, a plan outlining the area consulted is appended as Appendix B and a table outlining the responses is appended to this report as Appendix C.
- 1.3 Given the responses received to the questionnaire, proposals have been drafted to introduce Residents Parking in part of the consulted area, which is outlined on the plan appended to this report as Appendix D.

2.0 Responses received

At the close of the consultation on Friday 15th January 2016, from the 281 properties that were consulted, 100 responses were received. There was a higher response from four roads: - Catherine Road, Hamilton Road, Margaret Road & Margaret Close, (which form a clear geographically isolated area). Within this area, the general consensus was that there is a need for parking controls, with the majority of respondents electing for a Residents parking scheme operational Monday to Friday 8am - 6.30pm. All the results of the consultation are outlined in the table appended to this report as Appendix C.

3.0 Staff comments

- 3.1 It is clear from the responses to the consultation that there is longer term non-residential parking taking place in the area, this is due to the close proximity of Gidea Park Station and the ease of access to the Station via the alleyway at the end of Balmoral Road. Some of the longer term parking may also be related to the local shops and businesses.
- 3.2 It has been noted that the consultation area is situated between Squirrels Heath Primary School to the east and Frances Bardsley Secondary School to the South-west. It has been observed that there is some school related parking taking place in these roads.

IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS

Financial implications and risks:

This report is asking HAC to recommend to the Lead Member the further detailed consultation.

The estimated cost of implementing the proposals, including physical measures and advertising costs, as described above and shown on the attached plan is £5000. These costs can be funded from the 2016/17 Revenue budget for Minor Traffic and Parking.

The costs shown are an estimate of the full costs to implement a scheme should it be ultimately implemented. It should be noted that further decisions are to be made following a full report to the Committee and with the Cabinet Member approval process being completed where a scheme is recommended for implementation.

Total costs will need to be contained within the specified budgets.

Legal implications and risks:

Controlled Parking Zones (CPZs) require consultation, with the advertisement of proposals and consideration of the responses 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 Council undertook a postal consultation with residents to ascertain the amount of support to introduce parking controls within the affected area.

Parking controls have the potential to displace parking to adjacent areas, which may be detrimental to others, including older people, children, young people, disabled people and carers. The Council will be monitoring the effects of the scheme to mitigate any further negative impact.

There will be some 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 duty under the Equality Act 2010.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

Appendix A

Appendix B

Appendix C

Appendix D

Consultation Questionnaire



PARKING REVIEW QUESTIONNAIRE
Gidea Park Area

Traffic & Parking Control Schemes

Town Hall
Main Road
Romford
RM1 3BB

Name:

Address:

Please call: Traffic & Parking Control

Telephone: 01708 431056
01708 433464

Email: schemes@havering.gov.uk

All responses received will provide the council with the appropriate information to determine whether we take a parking scheme forward to the design and formal consultation stage.

Only one signed and dated questionnaire per address will be considered. Please return to us by **Friday 15th January 2016**.

1. In your view, is there currently a parking problem in **your** road to justify action being taken by the Council

- Yes
 No

If your answer is YES to the above question above, please proceed to the questions below:

2. Are you in favour of your road having parking restrictions placed upon it to limit long term non-residential parking?

- Yes
 No

3. If Yes - over what days of the week would you like any restrictions to operate?

- Mon- Fri
 Mon - Sat

4. If yes - over what hours of the day would you like any restrictions to operate? These hours are in keeping with the existing restrictions in the area.

- 8:00am – 10:00am
 Noon – 1:00pm
 8:00am – 6:30pm

5. If yes - what type of restriction would you prefer?

- Yellow Lines
- Residents Parking

For your information:

Yellow lines would prevent residents from parking on the lines in the same way as they would non-residents.

Residents Parking scheme will allow residents and their visitors to park in the allocated areas, with a valid permit for the area.

Please turn over

Comments Section (please limit to 100 words)

DECLARATION

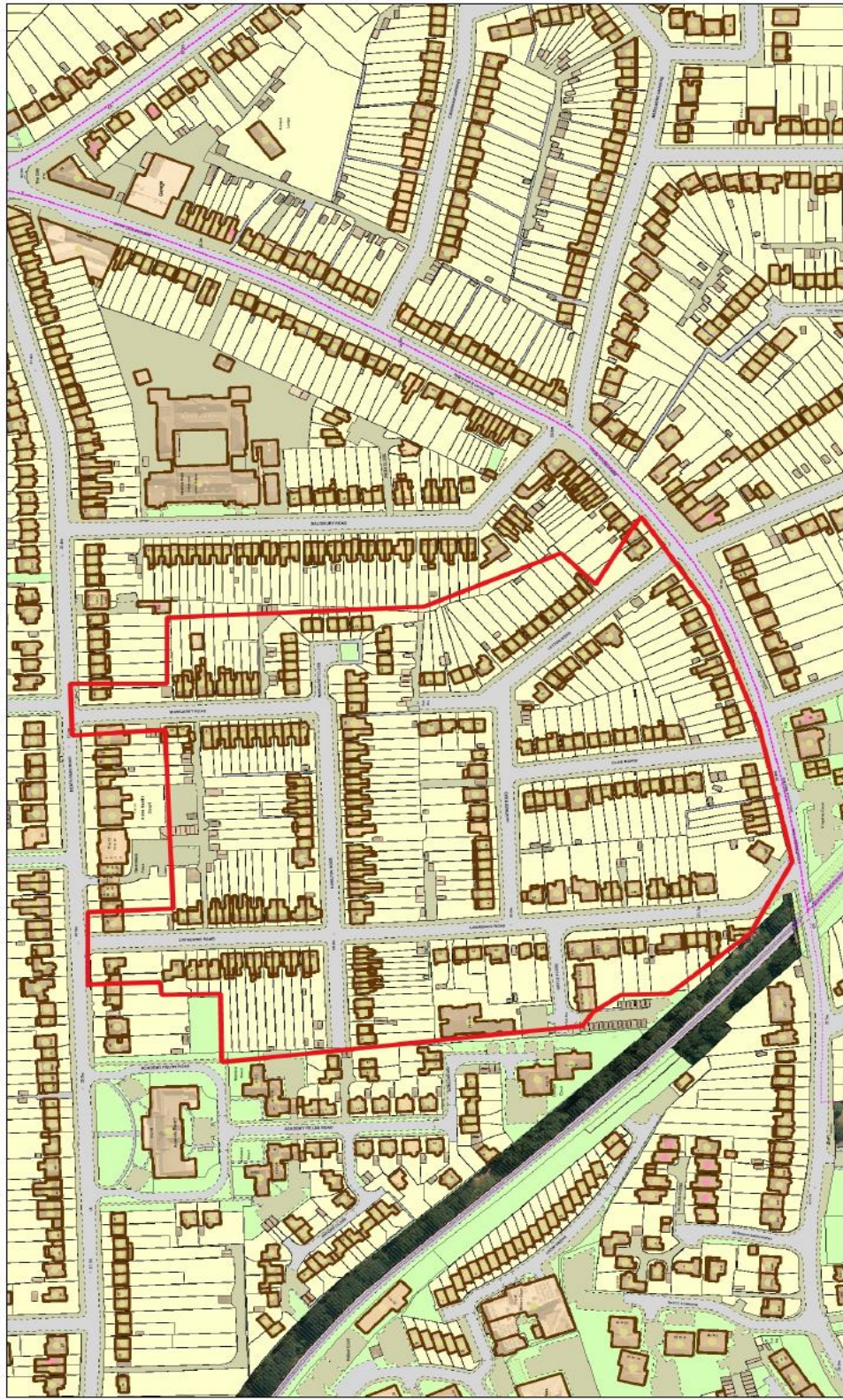
Should the Council on making inquiries reasonably consider that a response has been fabricated the questionnaire will be disregarded and the Council reserves the right to pursue appropriate legal action.


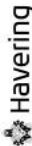
We therefore request upon receipt of this questionnaire, by post, that you complete your full name and address along with this declaration and return the form to the postal or email address found at the top.

Signature:.....

Date:.....

Consultation area plan



<p>Hamilton Road - Romford</p>	<p>Scale: 1:2000 Date: 17 December 2015</p>
<p>North arrow pointing up</p>	<p>Scale bar: 0, 50, 100, 150 metres</p>
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