



HIGHWAYS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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Subject Heading:

TPC817 – Willow Street, Proposed Limited Waiting Bay – comments to advertised proposals

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Policy context:

Traffic & Parking Control

Financial Summary:

The estimated cost of £1000 for implementation will be met by 2016/17 Minor Parking Schemes Budget.

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 public consultation of proposals to convert the existing Disc Parking Bays into Limited Waiting Bay(s) and recommends a further course of action.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the Highways Advisory Committee having considered this report and the representations made recommends to the Cabinet Member for Environment that:
 - (a) The proposal to convert the existing Disc Parking Bays fronting 75A, into Limited Waiting Bay(s) as shown on the drawing (Ref: TPC817, Willow Street) appended to this report at Appendix A, be implemented as advertised; and
 - (b) The effects of any implemented proposals be monitored.
2. That it be noted that the estimated cost of this scheme as set out in this report is £1000, which can be funded from 2016/17 Minor Parking Schemes Budget.

REPORT DETAIL

1.0 Background

- 1.1 At its meeting in January 2016, this Committee agreed in principle to the proposals to convert the existing Disc Parking Bay into a Limited Waiting Bay(s) in Willow Street.
- 1.2 The proposals to introduce a Limited Waiting Bay(s) have been proposed as it is not economical to install a Pay & Display machine to service two parking spaces.
- 1.3 The proposals were subsequently designed and publicly advertised. A plan (Ref: Willow Street TPC817) outlining the proposals is appended to this report at Appendix A.
- 1.4 The proposals were put forward as part of the phasing out of all Disc Parking Bays across the borough, as it is now considered that Disc Parking is not as user friendly compared to other parking facilities.
- 1.5 On 5th February 2016 residents and businesses that were affected by the proposals, were consulted by letter and plan. Eighteen statutory bodies were also consulted and site notices were placed at the location.

1.6 By the close of the public consultation on the 26th February 2016, 2 responses were received to the proposals, 1 in favour of part of the scheme and 1 against.

2.0 Results of public consultation

2.1 From the 29 letters sent out during the consultation 2 responses were received, a 6.9% return. Both responses were from residents of Willow Street, with 1 responses being in favour of part of the proposals and 1 being against. Both of the responses are summarised in the table along with staff comments which is appended to this report at **Appendix B**.

3.0 Staff Comments

- 3.1 Having considered the representations received officers have identified and assessed the concerns raised by residents and businesses, and it is recommended that the proposals be implemented as advertised.
- 3.2 Ward Councillors were advised of the proposals when this scheme went out for consultation, but none of them responded.

IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS

Financial implications and risks:

The estimated cost of implementing the proposals as described above and shown on the attached plan is £1000 can be funded from the 2016/17 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

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 public consultation and the advertisement of proposals, before a decision can be taken on their introduction.

Human Resources implications and risks:

None

Equalities implications and risks:

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

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 by letter and plan. Eighteen statutory bodies were also consulted and site notices were placed at the location.

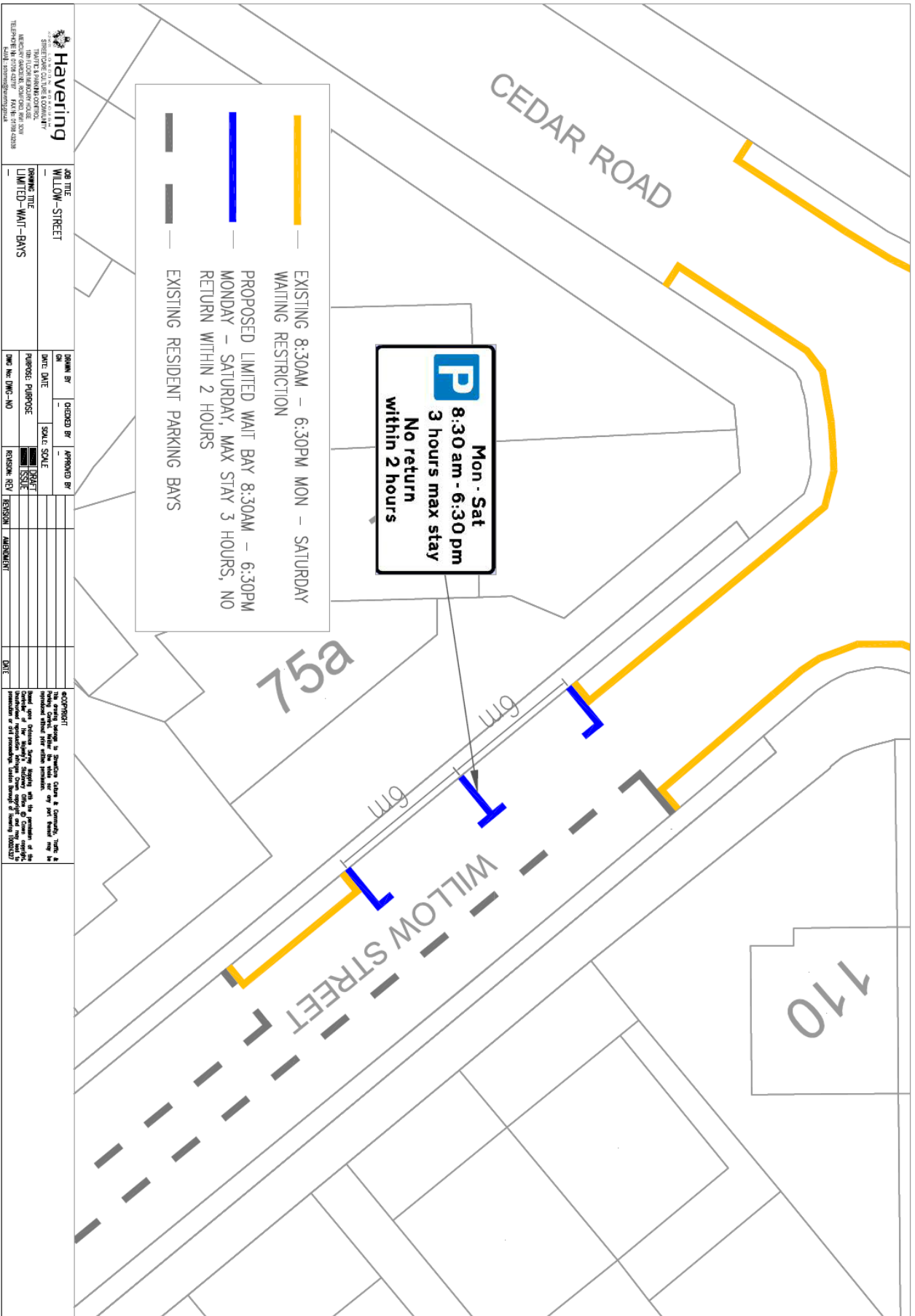
The recommendation is for the proposal to be implemented as advertised and the effects be monitored on a regular basis to ensure any equality negative impacts are mitigated. Staff will monitor the effects of these proposals, especially relating to these groups, and if it is considered that further changes are necessary, the issues will be reported back to this Committee and a further course of action can be agreed.

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.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

Appendix A
Appendix B

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Appendix B

	Respondent	Road	Summary of Comments	Staff Comments
1	Resident	Willow Street	The resident is against the proposals and suggests that parking meters would be a better option to stop this being a free for all as the resident thinks that lots of people will use them who may not be using the shop.	The Council are in the process of phasing out all parking meters across the borough and it was felt that a Limited Wait Bay was the best option.
2	Resident	Willow Street	The resident is in favour of the scheme and says it will finally enable the owners of the business and their customers to park legally in the road.	