



## HIGHWAYS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

3 October 2017

**Subject Heading:**

Kimberley Avenue and Lessington Avenue SCH143 – Results of informal consultation

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**Policy context:**

Traffic & Parking Control

**Financial summary:**

The estimated cost of implementation is £0.003m and will be met by the 'Parking Minor Safety Improvement' (A24650).

**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**

Brooklands Ward

This report outlines the responses received to the informal consultation undertaken with the residents of the Kimberley Avenue and Lessington Avenue 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 Regulatory Services and Community Safety that;
  - a) The proposals to extend the existing ROS residents parking scheme for the Brooklands Area in Lessington Avenue and Kimberley Avenue, operational Monday to Saturday 8am to 8pm inclusive, be designed and publicly advertised;
2. That it be noted that the estimated cost of this scheme is £0.003m which will be funded from the 2017/18 **Parking Minor Safety Improvement**

## REPORT DETAIL

### 1.0 Background

- 1.1 In January 2017, this scheme was agreed in principle on Calendar Brief, to consult on the possibility of extending the existing ROS residents parking scheme in the Brooklands Ward. This is due to increasing complaints about the level of commuter parking in the two roads.
- 1.2 On Friday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2017, 47 residents that were perceived to be affected by the proposals were sent letters and questionnaires, appended to this report as Appendices A and B, with a return date of 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2017. The responses to the questionnaire are outlined in the table appended to this report in Appendix D.

### 2.0 Results of informal consultation

From the 47 letters sent out to properties in the area and there were 21 responses received, representing a 44% return. 15 respondents answered YES and 6 respondents answered NO to question 1, that they felt there was a problem in the road. 12 respondents answered YES and 3 respondents answered NO to question 2 that they were in favour of their road being included in the existing ROS residents parking scheme.

There was also a petition received from the mosque, signed by 61 attendees. As a response to the petition, officers along with a Ward Councillor met with representatives from the mosque on 13/07/17. The representatives requested that a provision should be made to accommodate 20 to 25 vehicles between 12-2pm, and special provision made for certain festivals during the year. It was stated that this is a provision provided by

London Borough of Tower Hamlets around all mosques in Tower Hamlets. On discussion with representatives of London Borough of Tower Hamlets, it was discovered that this is a provision in only a few locations.

### **3.0 Staff comments**

- 3.1 It is clear from the responses to the consultation that the majority of responses, except from those that signed the petition from the mosque, outlined that there is a parking problem in the two roads and that the extension of the existing ROS residents parking scheme would be the best option. As there are no specific parking provisions provided for any religious group, officers are recommending not to progress with the request to provide further parking provisions for use of the mosque. The nearest alternative parking location for attendees are Pay and Display provisions in London Road.

## **IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS**

### **Financial implications and risks:**

This report is asking HAC to recommend to the Cabinet Member the launch of consultation relating to the above scheme.

The estimated cost of implementing the proposals, including physical measures, advertising and making the Traffic Management Orders costs is £0.003m. These costs will be funded from the 'Parking Minor Safety Improvement' (A24650).

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 Environment 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 Environment revenue budget.

## Related costs to the Permit Parking areas

<b>Resident &amp; Business permits charges</b>	
Residents permit per year	1st permit £35.00, 2nd permit £60.00, 3rd permit and any thereafter £85.00
Business permit per year	Maximum of 2 permits per business £200 each
Visitors permits	£1.25 per permit for up to 4 hours (sold in £12.50 books of 10 permits)

<b>Estimated Permit Sales</b>			<b>Total</b>
<b>Resident</b>	<b>Cost £35</b>	<b>Estimated sales 47</b>	<b>£1,645</b>
<b>Business</b>	<b>None</b>		

### Legal implications and risks:

The Council's power to make an order creating a controlled parking zone is set out in Part IV of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 ("RTRA 1984").

The Council's power to make an order for charging for parking on highways is set out in Part IV of the RTRA 1984.

Before an Order is made, the Council should ensure that the statutory procedures set out in the Local Authorities Traffic Orders (Procedure)(England & Wales) Regulations 1996 (SI 1996/2489) are complied with. The Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002 govern road traffic signs and road markings.

Section 122 RTRA 1984 imposes a general duty on local authorities when exercising functions under the RTRA. It provides, insofar as is material, to secure the expeditious, convenient and safe movement of vehicular and other traffic (including pedestrians) and the provision of suitable and adequate parking facilities on and off the highway. This statutory duty must be balanced with any concerns received over the implementation of the proposals.

In considering any responses received during consultation, the Council must ensure that full consideration of all representations is given including those which do not accord with the officers' recommendation. The Council must be satisfied that any objections to the proposals were taken into account.

In considering any consultation responses, the Council must balance the concerns of any objectors with the statutory duty under section 122 RTRA 1984.

## **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**

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.

There will be some physical and visual impact from the required signing and lining works

## **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

**Appendix A – Consultation Letter**

**Appendix B – Questionnaire**

**Appendix C – Responses**

## Appendix A



### Street Management Schemes

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Dear Sir/ Madam

Date: 1<sup>st</sup> June 2017

### Review of parking in Kimberley Avenue & Lessington Avenue

I am writing to advise you that following the receipt of a petition from residents of Kimberley Avenue and Lessington Avenue, Ward Councillors have requested that the Council review the parking situation in these roads.

Currently, Kimberley Avenue is restricted with Double Yellow Lines at both of its junctions, but the majority of the road is unrestricted. The Derby Avenue, Kimberley Avenue and Ainsley Avenue junctions of Lessington Avenue are also restricted with double yellow lines, but south of Derby Avenue, Lessington Avenue is also unrestricted and reportedly experiencing an increasing level of parking problems.

The aim of this review will be to look at parking and vehicle access issues in both Kimberley Avenue and Lessington Avenue with a view to resolve the parking issues in both roads. As this is the case, I have attached a questionnaire for you to complete and return to us via the postal or email addresses shown at the top of this letter. All responses should be received by **Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2017**.

Unfortunately, the Council is unable to reply to individual points raised at this stage. However, all fully completed responses to the questionnaire and your comments will be noted and taken into consideration when presenting the final report to the Highways Advisory Committee and any issues will be addressed at that time.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'DR Martin'.

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**PARKING REVIEW QUESTIONNAIRE**  
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All responses received will provide the Council the appropriate information to determine whether to 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 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2017**.

1. In your view, is there currently a parking problem in **your** road?  Yes  
 No

If your answer is YES to the above question above, please proceed to question 2:

2. Are you in favour of your road being included in the existing ROS residents permit parking scheme that operates in your area?  Yes  
 No

**Please turn over**

## KIMBERLEY/LESSINGTON AVENUE 'In-Principle' Parking Consultation

Road Name	Address	Returns	% Returns	In your view, is there currently a parking problem in your road?		Are you in favour of your road being included in the existing residents permit parking scheme that operates in your area?	
				Yes	No	Yes	No
Kimberley Avenue	24	9	38%	6	3	5	1
Lessington Avenue	23	5	22%	3	2	1	2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>60%</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>
Anonymous		7		6	1	6	0