

# **HIGHWAYS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

## **Tuesday 12 February 2019**

Subject Heading:	SCH197 Cedar Close– request to formally advertise a 'residents permit parking area (PPA)'
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Policy context:	LIP
Financial Summary:	The estimated cost of implementation is £0.002m and will be met by the 2018/19 LIP funding allocation A2904
The subject matter of this report deals with the following Council Objectives	
Communities making Havering [x] Places making Havering [x] Opportunities making Havering [x]	

**SUMMARY** 

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Connections making Havering

#### **Brooklands Ward:**

This report is requesting permission from the Highways Advisory Committee (HAC) to formally advertise the inclusion of Cedar Close in to the RO2B Residents Parking Zone by introducing a residents' only permit parking area in Cedar Close following representations by residents.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1) That the Highways Advisory Committee having considered this report and the representations recommends to the Cabinet Member for Environment in consultation with the Leader of the Council that:
  - (a) the proposals to include Cedar Close in the RO2B residents parking zone (operational Monday to Saturday 8:30am 6:30pm inclusive) (as shown on the plan in appendix A) proceed to formal consultation;
  - (b) if at the close of consultation no objections are received to the proposals at 1(a) above, the scheme proceeds to full implementation.
- 2) The estimated cost of implementation is £0.002m and will be met by the 2018/19 LIP Funding allocation A2904

REPORT DETAIL

#### 1.0 Background

- 1.1 In August 2017 residents of Cedar Close ("Road") were informally consulted on a scheme for the inclusion of the Road in the existing RO2B residents parking zone ("CPZ"). The response rate was low with a total of 4 responses received. 3 respondents made representations against the proposals and 1 respondent was in favour of the proposals. Due to the low response rate and level of objections the proposals were abandoned.
- 1.2 In December 2018, following complaints about non-residential parking resulting in lack of parking provision for Cedar Close residents, due to residents of Cedar Road parking in Cedar Close as well as obstructive and dangerous parking, Brooklands Ward Councillors canvased the Road. As a result, a petition was received requesting the inclusion of the Road in the CPZ. The petition was signed by 10 of the 15 properties in the Road.

#### 2.0 Staff Comments

- 2.1 The Road is a small, unrestricted road in the middle of large residents CPZ. Currently residents of the surrounding streets, covered by the CPZ can park in the Road; however the residents of the Road are unable to park in the streets covered by the CPZ. There are localised pressures on parking within the Road that can be relieved through its inclusion within the CPZ.
- 2.2 Officers favour the introduction of a Permit Parking Area (PPA) with the same times of operation as the rest of the RO2B CPZ (Monday to Saturday, 8:30am 6:30pm). The

inclusion of the Road within the CPZ will enable residents with a permit to park in surrounding streets relieving the localised parking issues in the Road.

#### **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 implementation is £0.002m and will be met by the 2018/19 LIP funding allocation A2904

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 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 budget

#### Related costs to the Permit Parking areas:

All permit prices can be found on the Councils website here;

https://www.havering.gov.uk/info/20005/parking\_permits

#### **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"). 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:**

The proposal can be delivered within the standard resourcing within Street Management, and has no specific impact on staffing/HR issues.

#### **Equalities implications and risks:**

The Public Sector Equality Duty (PSED) under section 149 of the Equality Act 2010 requires the Council, when exercising its functions, to have due regard to:

- (i) the need to eliminate discrimination, harassment, victimisation and any other conduct that is prohibited by or under the Equality Act 2010;
- (ii) the need to advance equality of opportunity between persons who share protected characteristics and those who do not, and:
- (iii) foster good relations between those who have protected characteristics and those who do not.

Note: 'Protected characteristics' are: age, sex, race, disability, sexual orientation, marriage and civil partnerships, religion or belief, pregnancy and maternity and gender reassignment.

The Council is committed to all of the above in the provision, procurement and commissioning of its services, and the employment of its workforce. In addition, the Council is also committed to improving the quality of life and wellbeing for all Havering residents in respect of socio-economics and health determinants.

The proposals provide measures to improve safety and accessibility for all road users.

The proposals included in the report have been informally consulted on and all residents who were perceived to be affected by the review were sent letters and questionnaires.

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 - Proposed PPA in Cedar Close

