

HIGHWAYS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

REPORT

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Subject Heading:

PROPOSED WAITING RESTRICTIONS, ESSEX GARDENS/ WINGLETYE LANE comments to advertised proposals.

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

Clean, safe and green borough Excellence in education and learning Opportunities for all through economic, social and cultural activity Value and enhance the life of every individual High customer satisfaction and a stable council tax

SUMMARY

This report recommends the implementation of 'At any time' restrictions at the junction of Essex Gardens with Wingletye Lane, following the completion of public consultation.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. That the Committee having considered the information set out in this report and the representations made recommends to the Cabinet Member for Community Empowerment that:
 - a. the minor parking scheme set out in this report and shown on the attached drawing reference number WLER/01/01 be implemented;
 - b. the effect of the scheme be monitored; and that
 - c. members note that the estimated cost of this scheme as set out in this report is £500 and can be funded from the 2012/13 Minor Parking Schemes budget

REPORT DETAIL

1.0 Background

- 1.1 At a meeting of this Committee on 25th February 2011, a request was put forward to implement restrictions at the junction of Wingletye Lane and Essex Gardens to keep the highway clear at school times. This Committee recommended the scheme to go forward for public consultation.
- 1.2 However, the scheme was inadvertently placed on the Schemes works programme deferral list and as a result, not progressed. Following an enquiry from a resident via Cllr Roger Ramsey in February 2012, the matter was investigated, the scheme subsequently designed by staff and publicly advertised on 23rd March 2012. This report outlines the responses received arising out of the public consultation.

2.0 Proposed Scheme

2.1 Essex Gardens / Wingletye Lane – Drawing No. WLER/01/01

The scheme is within the <u>Emerson Park Ward</u> and was recommended for consultation by Committee on 22nd February 2011.

The scheme proposes to introduce 'At any time' waiting restrictions at the junction of Essex Gardens and Wingletye Lane, on the eastern side of Wingletye Lane from a point 15 metres south of the southern kerb-line of Essex Gardens, to a point 15 metres north of the northern kerb-line of Essex Gardens. It is further proposed to introduce 'At any time' waiting restrictions on the northern side of Essex Gardens from the eastern kerb-line of Wingletye Lane to the eastern boundary of No. 392 Wingletye Lane and on the southern side from the eastern kerb-line of Wingletye Lane.

Outcome of Public consultation - Responses received

At the close of public consultation on 16th April 2012, no responses were received to the proposals.

The proposals were advertised in the Romford Recorder and London Gazette. In addition, 18 statutory bodies and 44 residents were consulted on the proposals.

Staff comments

Whilst no responses were received to the public consultation, it is clear from correspondence received by officers via Councillor Ramsey in February 2012 that obstructive and dangerous parking is regularly taking place at this location.

Recommended Action

That the proposals be implemented as advertised and the effects be monitored.

IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS

Financial implications and risks:

The estimated cost of this scheme as set out in this report is £500 and can be funded from the 2012/13 Minor Parking Schemes budget.

The costs shown are an estimate of the full costs to implement the proposed schemes. It should be noted that the Cabinet Member approval process will be completed where a scheme is recommended for implementation.

Overall costs will need to be contained within the overall revenue budget.

Legal implications and risks:

Waiting restrictions and parking bays require 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 in residential areas are often installed to improve road safety and accessibility for residents who may be affected by long-term non-residential parking.

Parking restrictions have the potential to displace parking to adjacent areas, which may be detrimental to others.

Disabled 'Blue' Badge holders are able to park with an unlimited time in resident permit bays and in Pay & Display parking bays and for up to three hours on restricted areas (unless a loading ban is in force).

BACKGROUND PAPERS

Drawings:

WLER/01/01

