



HIGHWAYS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

13 NOVEMBER 2012

REPORT

Subject Heading:

**PROPOSED WAITING RESTRICTIONS,
CONNAUGHT ROAD/ KENILWORTH
GARDENS - 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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Excellence in education and learning	<input type="checkbox"/>
Opportunities for all through economic, social and cultural activity	<input type="checkbox"/>
Value and enhance the life of every individual	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
High customer satisfaction and a stable council tax	<input type="checkbox"/>

SUMMARY

This report recommends the implementation of 'At any time' restrictions at the junction of Connaught Road with Kenilworth Gardens, 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 Ref: Connaught Road with Kenilworth Gardens be implemented;
 - b. the effect of the scheme be monitored;
 - 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 19th June 2012, a request was put forward to implement restrictions at the junction of Connaught Road with Kenilworth Gardens to keep the highway clear of inconsiderate and obstructive parking. This Committee recommended the scheme go forward for public consultation.
- 1.2 The scheme was subsequently designed by staff and publicly advertised on 14th September 2012. This report outlines the responses received arising out of the public consultation.

2.0 Proposed Scheme

2.1 Connaught Road / Kenilworth Gardens – Drawing Ref: Connaught Road / Kenilworth Gardens

The scheme is within the Hacton Ward and was recommended for consultation by Committee on 19th June 2012.

The scheme proposes to introduce 'At any time' waiting restrictions for 10 metres on all arms of the Connaught Road junction with Kenilworth Gardens.

Outcome of Public consultation - Responses received

The proposals were advertised in the Romford Recorder and London Gazette. In addition, 18 statutory bodies and 12 residents were consulted on the proposals

At the close of public consultation on 5th October 2012, one response had been received in favour of the proposals, outlining that parking in this area has been a problem for quite some time.

Staff comments

As there were no objections received to the proposals, officers consider the proposals to be acceptable to residents living in the immediate vicinity.

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

It is understood that a play group may meet at the Church Hall on Kenilworth Gardens; this to be noted and considered by the Committee.

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

BACKGROUND PAPERS

Drawings Ref: Connaught Road with Kenilworth Gardens



Connaught Road/Kenilworth Gardens Map Reference: TQ5386SE

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