

Notice of Non-key Executive Decision

Subject Heading:	Shepherds Hill – Proposed ‘At Any Time’ Waiting Restrictions and Traffic Calming Measures
Decision Maker:	Imran Kazalbash Director of Environment
Cabinet Member:	Cllr. Barry Mugglestone Environment
ELT Lead:	Neil Stubbings Strategic Director of Place
Report Author and contact details:	Gareth Nunn Senior Highways Engineer Schemes 01708 433139 Gareth.nunn@havering.gov.uk
Policy context:	National Planning Policy Framework (2019) London Plan (2019) Havering Local Implementation Plan 2018/19 Delivery Plan
Financial summary:	Estimated cost of £0.040m will be met by the LIP TFL 24-25 budget
Relevant Overview & Scrutiny Sub Committee:	Place
Is this decision exempt from being called-in?	Yes – Non Key

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

People - Things that matter for residents	X
Place - A great place to live, work and enjoy	X
Resources - A well run Council that delivers for People and Place	X

Part A – Report seeking decision

DETAIL OF THE DECISION REQUESTED AND RECOMMENDED ACTION

Following the formal advertisement of proposed waiting restrictions and traffic calming measures, this Executive Decision seeks approval to:

I. agree to the implementation of:

(a) Waiting Restrictions - Shepherds Hill, Harold Wood

Implementation of 'at any time' waiting restrictions between numbers 42 and 114, on both sides of the road as per Appendix E

(b) Traffic Calming Measures

Implementation of traffic calming measures around the junction of Shepherds Hill, Nags Head Lane, Hall Lane and Warley Hill (including extension of 30mph speed limit, traffic island, village gate and increased/amended signage) as per Appendix F

AUTHORITY UNDER WHICH DECISION IS MADE

Council's Constitution Part 3.3.5 (1.1).

To exercise the Council's powers and duties arising under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, New Roads and Streetworks Act 1991 and Traffic Management Act 2004.

3.3.1 (5.1) covers sub-delegations:

The Chief Officers may delegate any of the powers listed in this part to another Officer, in so far as is legally permissible. Such delegation will specify whether the Officer is permitted to make further sub-delegations. Any such delegation or sub-delegation must be: (a) recorded in writing; and (b) lodged with the Monitoring Officer who will keep a public record of all such delegations. Any such delegation / sub-delegation will become valid only when these conditions are complied with.

STATEMENT OF THE REASONS FOR THE DECISION

Background to the Scheme and Design Proposals:

Waiting Restrictions

Following on from concerns raised by members and residents in relation to obstructive and erroneous parking on Shepherds Hill, understood to be caused by visitors to a nearby restaurant/bar and primarily happening in evenings, a questionnaire was sent to all residents of Shepherds Hill in August 2023 asking if they would be in favour of the implementation of 'at any time' waiting restrictions (double yellow lines) outside their properties to resolve the issues being experienced.

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The total responses to this questionnaire are as follows:

Responses	Response Rate	In favour	Against	% in favour	% Against
70	53%	49	21	70%	30%

Following this survey and the reviewing of the responses received, the area between numbers 42 and 114 (both sides of the road) was identified as an area where the majority of respondents were in favour of the proposals. Subsequently, it was agreed with Ward Councillors that this should be the area where the restrictions are formally proposed.

Summary of responses in identified area of support:

Responses	Response Rate	In favour	Against	% in favour	% Against
37	67%	34	3	92%	8%

Plan shown on Appendix A of this report.

Traffic Calming Measures

In addition to the waiting restrictions, some traffic calming improvements are also proposed, this follows a fatal yet isolated road traffic collision understood to be caused by a rider error. While speed humps have not been considered feasible on Shepherds Hill, alternative measures are proposed to reduce traffic speed at an earlier point.

The intention of these proposals is to reduce traffic speeds on the staggered junction of Shepherds Hill, Hall Lane and Nags Head Lane. Whilst also highlighting to drivers travelling west on to Shepherds Hill that they are entering the more urban area of Harold Wood having left the more rural Warley Hill, Nags Head Lane and Hall Lane.

The traffic calming proposals consist of an extension of the existing 30mph speed limit, a traffic island, a village gate and additional warning signs as per Appendix B of this report.

In October 2023 a site visit took place with Councillor Eagling to walk through the proposals. Ward Councillors are supportive of the traffic calming measures.

In January 2024 an informal consultation took place with the limited properties close to the staggered junction of Shepherds Hill, Hall Lane and Nags Head Lane where the traffic calming measures are proposed. 3 responses were received to this consultation, some of which made suggestions for amendments to the proposal or alternative measures such as the introduction of roundabouts.

A request was also made to extend the proposed extension to the 30mph speed limit. This was deemed feasible and subsequently incorporated in to the final proposal.

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OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED

The option not to progress these schemes was considered but rejected.

Officers consider the need to provide road safety, traffic flow, sight lines and access around these locations, which outweighs the loss of the general parking provision. The Council has obligations under the Road Traffic Regulation Act (1984) to secure the expeditious, convenient and safe movement of vehicular and other traffic (including cyclists and pedestrians) and to provide suitable and adequate parking facilities on and off the highway.

PRE-DECISION CONSULTATION

Waiting Restrictions

Following the informal consultation, these plans were formally advertised in April 2024 and 5 responses were received. 3 of these responses were objections whilst 2 suggested amendments to the proposals. (responses attached as Appendix D).

All 3 Ward Councillors were advised of the responses and asked if they wish to progress. 2 Councillors responded and are in favour of implementing the Waiting Restrictions, 1 Councillor did not respond.

Traffic Calming Measures

Following the informal consultation, these plans were formally advertised in April 2024 and no responses were received.

All 3 Ward Councillors were advised of the outcome of the formal advert and asked if they wish to progress. 2 Councillors responded and are in favour of implementing the Waiting Restrictions, 1 Councillor did not respond.

NAME AND JOB TITLE OF STAFF MEMBER ADVISING THE DECISION-MAKER

Name: Gareth Nunn

Designation: Senior Schemes Engineer

Signature:



Date: 24/05/2024

Part B - Assessment of implications and risks

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS

Here Officers seek approval for the implementation of Waiting Restrictions, speed limit reduction and general traffic calming measures, that pursuant to the Council's Constitution requires an executive decision by the Lead Member for Environment.

The Council's power to make an order regulating or controlling vehicular traffic on roads is set out in Part I of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 ("RTRA 1984") with the power to designate parking places set out under 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 & General Directions 2016 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 officer's 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.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS

TfL have committed to contain works to Ardleigh Green Road and Squirrels Heath Road within their current work programme covering the junction of Ardleigh Green Road; Squirrels Heath Road and the A127.

TfL have also agreed to repurpose LiP funding originally allocated for the Ardleigh Green /Squirrels Heath section of road to fund works at Shepherds Hill, a section further east of Squirrels Heath Road.

The estimated costs of £0.040m which include the physical works, advertising/traffic order costs and technical fees, will be funded through LIP TFL 24-25 budget.

The following table shows the breakdown of costs.

Expenditure item	Estimated cost
Physical Works	29,319
Traffic Order	500
Technical Fees	6,578
Contingency (10%)	3,640
Total Expenditure	40,037

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HUMAN RESOURCES IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS (AND ACCOMMODATION IMPLICATIONS WHERE RELEVANT)

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

EQUALITIES AND SOCIAL INCLUSION IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS

Havering has a diverse community made up of many different groups and individuals. The council values diversity and believes it essential to understand and include the different contributions, perspectives and experience that people from different backgrounds bring.

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 demonstrates its commitment to the Equality Act in its decision-making processes, the provision, procurement and commissioning of its services, and employment practices concerning its workforce. In addition, the council is also committed to improving the quality of life and wellbeing of all Havering residents in respect of socio-economics and health determinants.

These measures improve road safety for all road users.

The EQHIA form is attached as Appendix D to this report

ENVIRONMENTAL AND CLIMATE CHANGE IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS

The reduction in the perceived parking provision may discourage drivers from using this location and therefore this may reduce emissions in line with the Climate Change Action Plan 2021.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

APPENDICES

Appendix A – Residents Letter for initial survey (Waiting Restrictions)



**PARKING QUESTIONNAIRE
Shepherds Hill**

Address:

**Traffic & Parking
Schemes
London Borough of Havering
Town Hall
Main Road
Romford
RM1 3BB**

Email: schemes@havering.gov.uk

www.havering.gov.uk

25th August 2023

Dear Resident

Following reports of obstructive and inconsiderate parking, Havering Council is proposing the introduction of double yellow lines on Shepherds Hill.

Before progressing to a design stage, we would like to hear from residents of Shepherds Hill as to whether they would be supportive of double yellow lines being introduced outside their properties. This will enable us to consider the extent of any proposed restrictions.

Please note that we are not considering proposing intermittent sections of double yellow lines across individual properties. Instead, any proposal will be for continuous restrictions in sections of Shepherds Hill where the majority of residents within that section, have been supportive of such measures.

Residents are asked to take into consideration that whilst you may not be currently experiencing parking issues outside your property, any introduction of parking restrictions may disperse these nuisance vehicles out to a wider area.

The quickest way to advise us of if you would be supportive of double yellow lines outside your property would be to complete an online questionnaire by using the below link or scanning the below QR code:

<https://consultation.havering.gov.uk/parking/shepherds-hill>



Alternatively, you can complete the questionnaire on the reverse of this page and return to the above address, or via email to schemes@Havering.gov.uk

Please note that only one signed and dated questionnaire per address will be considered and it must be with the Council by no later than **15 September 2023**.

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1. Would you be in favour of the introduction of double yellow lines outside your property?

Yes

No

**PTO
DECLARATION**

Should the Council need to make inquiries reasonably to ensure as to whether a response has been made truthfully, in the event that it is not, the questionnaire may be disregarded and the Council reserves the right to pursue appropriate legal action.

We therefore request upon receipt of this questionnaire, by post, that you complete your full name and address along with this declaration and return the form to the postal or email address found above.

Name:.....

Address:.....

Signature:.....

Date:.....

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Appendix B – Residents Letter for Formal Advert (Waiting Restrictions)



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IMPORTANT PARKING INFORMATION ENCLOSED

The Resident/Occupier

Email: schemes@havering.gov

www.havering.gov

26th April 20

Dear Resident

Proposed double yellow lines restrictions – Shepherds Hill

I am writing to advise you that the Council is proposing to introduce double yellow lines ('At Any Time' waiting) restrictions on Shepherds Hill, both sides of the road between numbers 42 and 114.

The proposals are the result of feedback from residents of whom we consulted last year. The double yellow line restrictions are only being proposed in areas where strong support for them was received during the informal consultation.

The full extent of the proposal is shown on the attached plan.

Full details, including relevant orders, are available for inspection for a period of 21 days from 26th April 2024 at <https://havering.traffweb.app>

All comments to the proposals should be sent in writing to the Highways, Traffic and Parking Group Manager, Havering Town Hall, Main Road, Romford RM1 3BB or by email to schemes@havering.gov.uk. All responses need to be received by **Friday 17th May 2024**. Any objections must state the grounds on which they are made.

Please note we are unable to answer individual points raised at this stage. However, your comments will be noted and taken into consideration when presenting the final report to the Assistant Director for Public Realm.

Any issues will be addressed at that time and all comments received are open to public inspection.

Yours faithfully

The Schemes Team

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Appendix C – Responses to Formal Advert (Waiting Restrictions)

Objection 1

Dear sir, as a resident who has lived on shepherds hill for more than 60 years, I am writing to express my views regarding the yellow lines proposed. I see no need for the lines on the hill as: 1. there has been no parking problems on the road at all for many, many weeks since pavement works was completed. 2. the lines are not required now as Array is being sold. 3. the lines would be an unnecessary expense for the council at this difficult time. 4. it would be unsightly in this designated semi-rural area. As a loyal residents in this borough for many years, i hope that my issues will be taken into consideration.

Objection 2

Introducing these restrictions for only a section of Shepherds Hill is not fixing the problem – it is merely shifting it from one part of the road to another. Of course, the residents closer to array gave stronger support for the introduction of double yellow lines as they were the ones suffering most but that does not mean that you now punish the residents further away by pushing the Array customer parking issue further away. That has not fixed the underlying issue at all. I object in the strongest terms to the current proposals and would ask that a more complete solution is found such as limiting the number of customers that Array is licensed to hold so that the number of customer’s cars is more compatible with their own parking availability. Thank you for your consideration

Objection 3

Dear Sir/Madam, Further to your correspondence dates 26 April 2024, the faults that I can see with the proposal of double yellow lines between Nos 42 and 114 are:

- i) If a property has only room for one vehicle on the drive to their home, what happens if they are a two vehicle family? What are the options for a second vehicle to be parked?
- ii) What happens when any resident of those affected properties need workmen to attend? Where would workmen be expected to leave their vehicles?
- iii) What will happen with home deliveries of groceries, or any other necessary deliveries needed, including Royal Mail parcels?

Apart from the issues above, restricted parking would affect the sale of any property by decreasing its value.

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Request for further restrictions 1

Dear Sir / Madam, I write this letter in response to your letter dated 24th April 2024, although this only arrived a few days ago. It refers to "Proposed double lines restrictions – Shepherds Hill". I live at xx Shepherds Hill, and my property resides within these proposals, however, as my home is on a corner between xx and xx, I am finding that more and more high sided vehicles are parking outside my kitchen window which is in xx and this in turn blocks out a substantial amount of light into my kitchen, which means we have to put lights on. On occasions these vehicles are staying for not only an hour or so but for days, it has also been known for SUVs to park, and the occupants have gone on holiday. In addition to this, with double yellow lines being proposed for Shepherds Hill, I can imagine where these lines are placed, vehicles who would normally park there will make their way into xx and across my kitchen window. My comments on the proposal, as asked for in your letter is, could the existing double yellow line in Shepherds Hill going into xx be extended by 30 feet. This will limit these vehicles parking virtually in my back gate and across my kitchen window. I have spoken to a number of the residents in xx who say they have no problem with this extend double line. I look forward to your comments.

Request for further restrictions 2

Thank you for the letter regarding this scheme. I live at xx on Shepherds Hill and my only comment would be that the extent of the double-yellow lines (No Waiting - At Any Time) could usefully be made from No.2 to Hall Lane. Most, if not all, of the properties along that stretch of Shepherds Hill have driveways, so on street parking is not required. The most annoying thing is that on the occasions cars are parked it is invariably at the most dangerous locations you could choose, on the bends. On another, albeit related topic, I am glad that street lights are being installed along the South side of Shepherds Hill. Kindest regards

Appendix C – Residents Letter for informal consultation (Traffic Calming)



Highways, Traffic and Parking Schemes

London Borough of Havering
Town Hall,
Main Road
Romford RM1 3BB

Email: schemes@havering.gov.uk

Date: 19th January 2024

Dear Resident,

Shepherds Hill – Proposed Traffic Calming Measures

We are writing to advise you that the Council is proposing to introduce minor traffic calming measures on Shepherds Hill and Nags Head Lane to improve road safety.

The proposals include an extension of the existing 30mph speed limit, a traffic island, a village gate and additional warning signs. The scheme has been designed to help slow down traffic around the staggered junction of Shepherds Hill & Nags Head Lane.

It will also help towards enhancing awareness for westbound drivers to warn them that they are entering a more densely populated residential area.

The proposed extension of the 30mph speed limit would cover the whole of the staggered junction whilst also being extended in to Nags Head Lane. The proposed traffic island will help towards encouraging drivers to move around the junction with Nags Head Lane with more caution.

The proposed increased signage and village gate will also help enhance awareness of the junction and the general change in environment.

The plans showing the location of the proposals can be found enclosed.

Any comments you have regarding the proposals should be sent in writing via email to schemes@havering.gov.uk no later than **Friday 9th February 2023**. Alternatively, they can be sent to the postal address at the top of this letter.

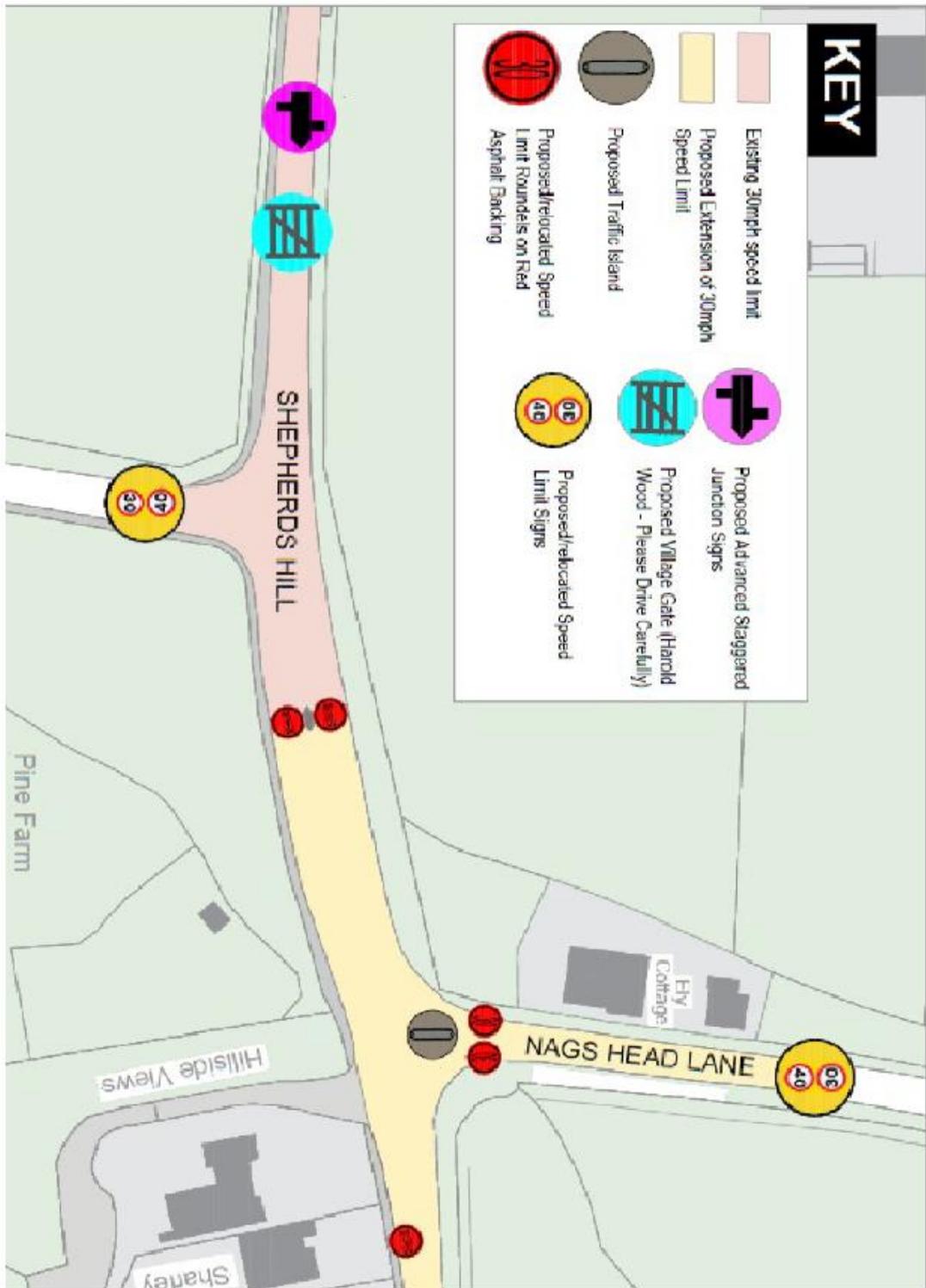
All comments received will be considered when making a decision to progress the scheme.

Please note that we would like to make clear that any scheme implemented will be externally funded following successful bids, as such all funding is ring-fenced and cannot be used elsewhere in the Council.

Yours faithfully,

The Schemes Team

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Appendix D – Residents Letter for formal consultation (Traffic Calming)



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The Resident/Occupier

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26th April 2024

Dear Resident

Proposed Traffic Calming Measures – Shepherds Hill

I am writing to advise you that the Council is proposing to extend the 30mph speed limit from Shepherds Hill (between the junctions of Hall Lane & Nags Head Lane), up to the eastern boundary of number 5 Warley Road.

These proposals are the result of feedback from residents of whom we consulted earlier this year.

The feedback received, has resulted in an amended proposal which now sees the extent of the proposed 30mph speed limit increased from what was originally consulted on.

In addition to the extension of the 30mph speed limit, it is also proposed to introduce a traffic island on the junction of Shepherds Hill and Nags Head Lane, a village gate and additional warning signs. The full extent of the proposals can be found on the attached plan.

Full details for the extension of the 30mph speed limit, including relevant orders, are available for inspection for a period of 21 days from 26th April 2024 at <https://havering.traffweb.app>

All comments to the proposals should be sent in writing to the Highways, Traffic and Parking Group Manager, Havering Town Hall, Main Road, Romford RM1 3BB or by email to schemes@havering.gov.uk. All responses need to be received by **Friday 17th May 2024**. Any objections must state the grounds on which they are made.

Please note we are unable to answer individual points raised at this stage. However, your comments will be noted and taken into consideration when presenting the final report to the Assistant Director for Public Realm.

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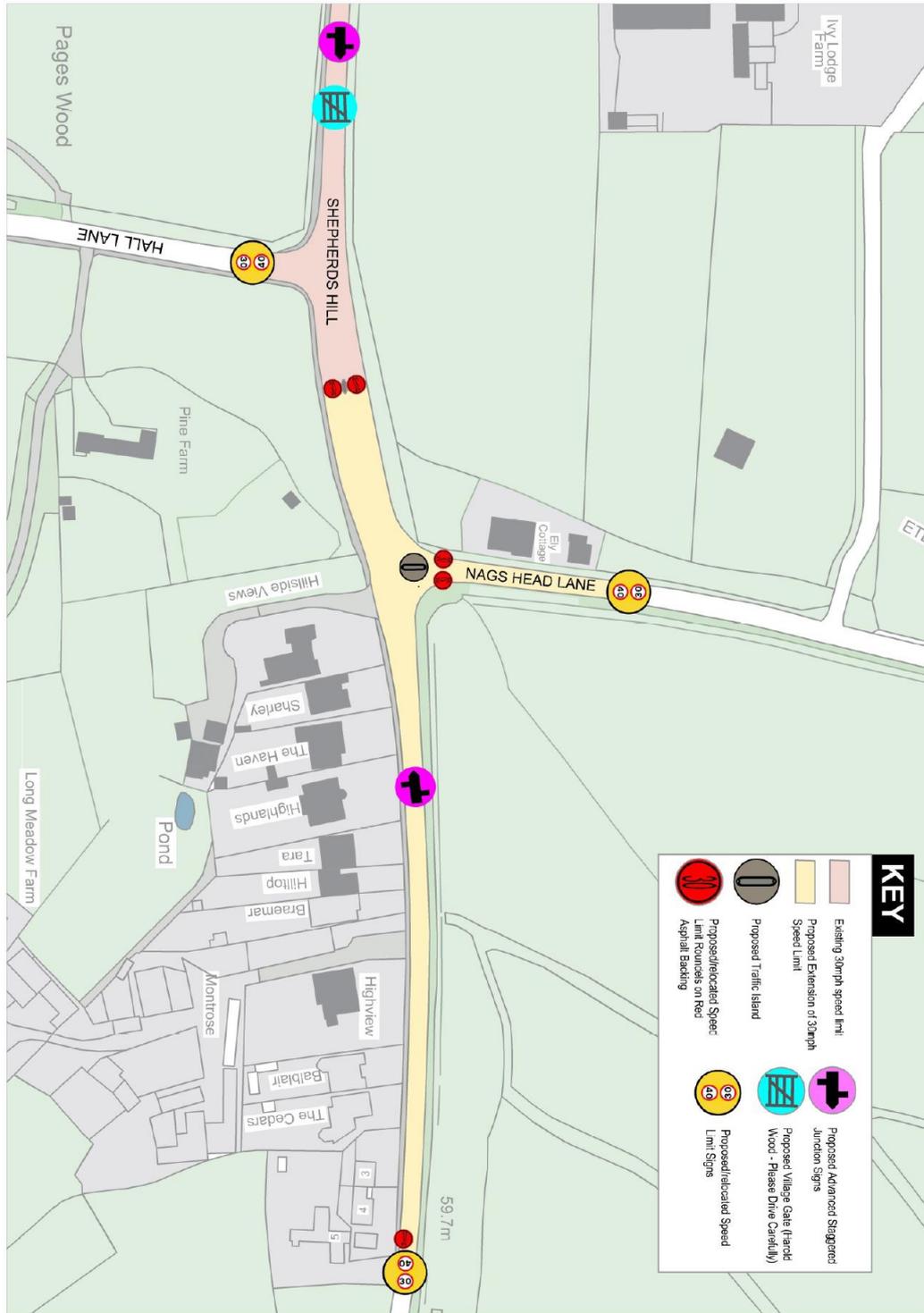
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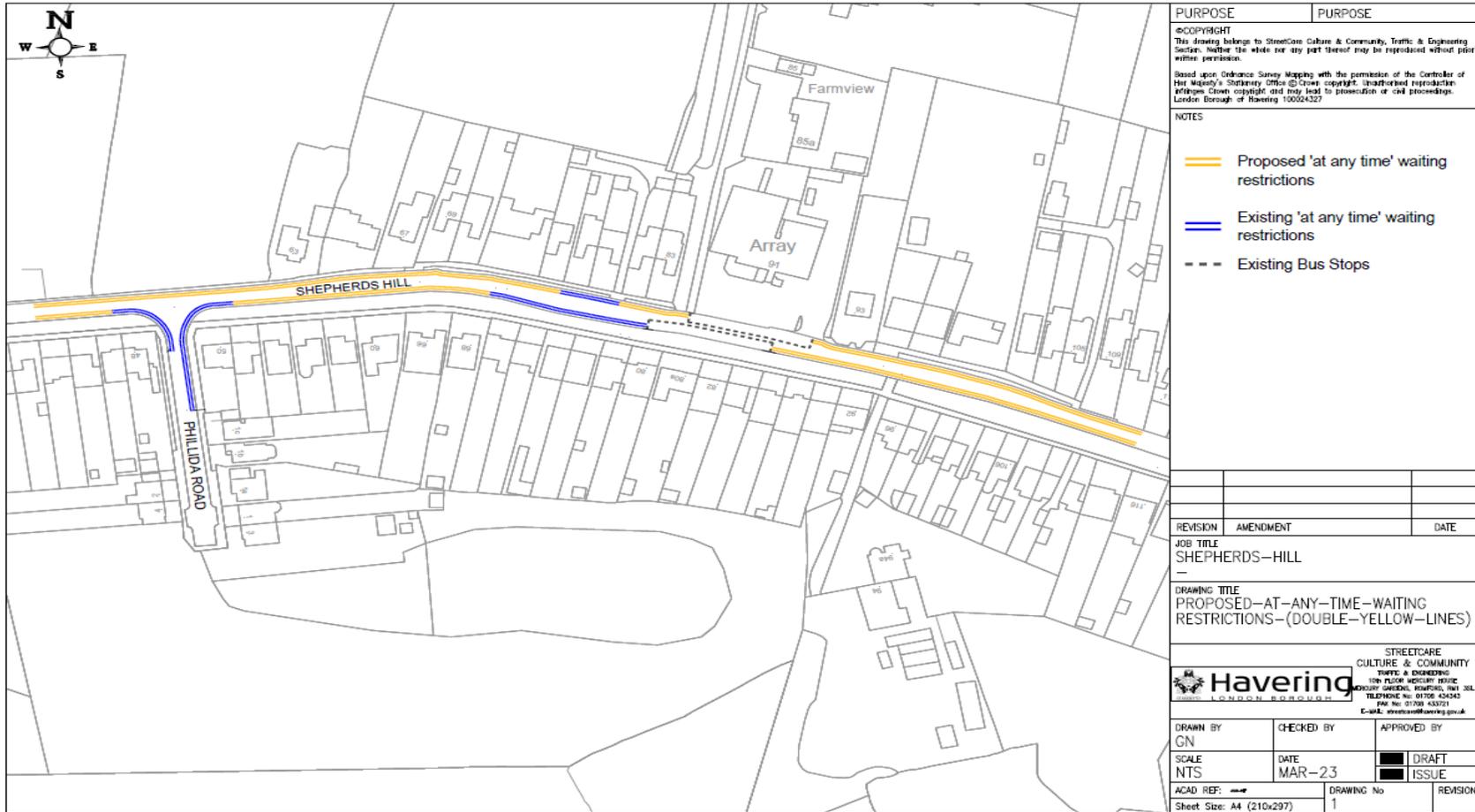
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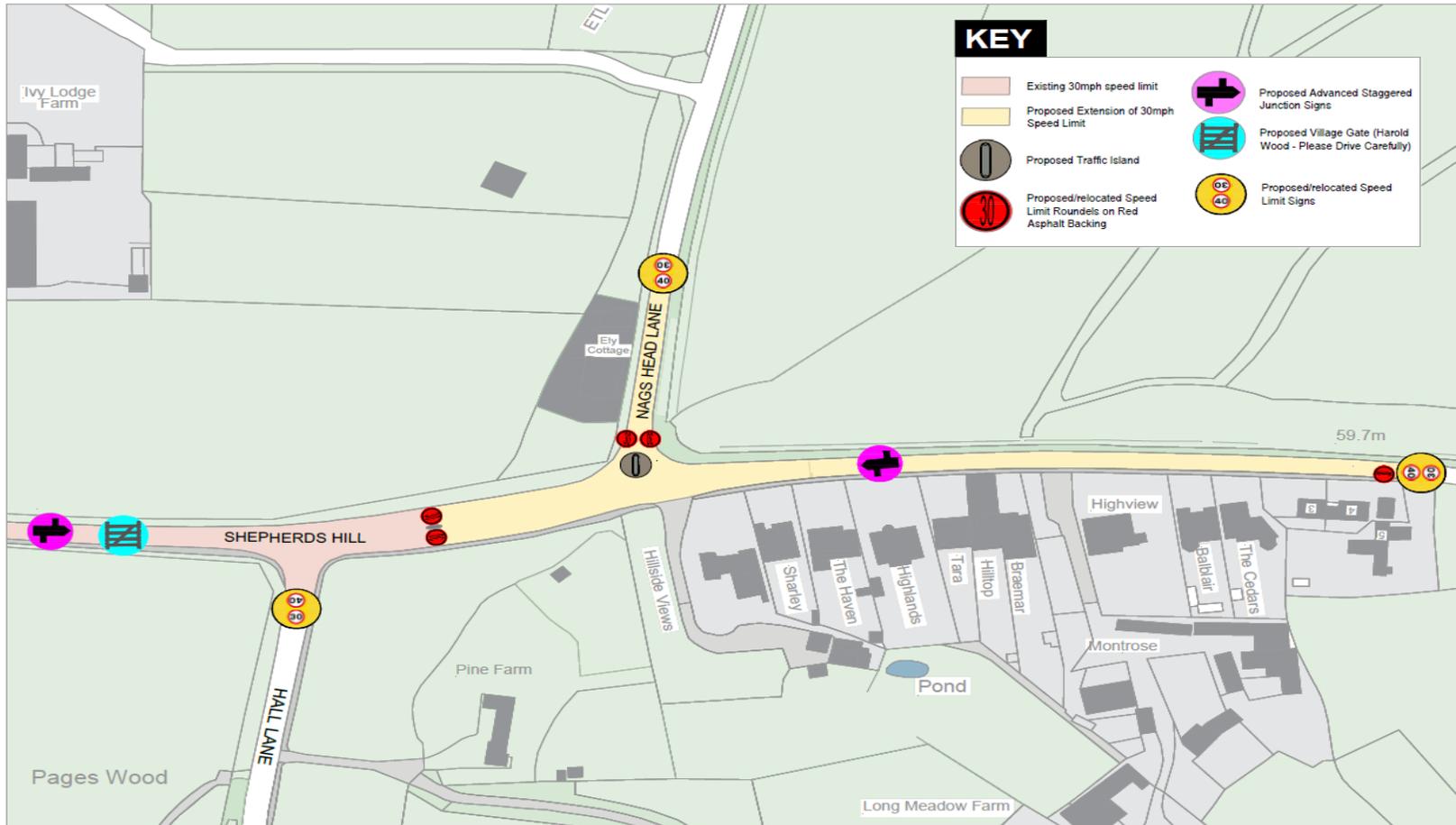
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Appendix E – Proposed ‘At Any Time’ Waiting Restrictions



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Appendix E – Proposed Traffic Calming Measures



Appendix F – EqHIA



Equality & Health Impact Assessment (EqHIA)

Title of activity:	Shepherds Hill – Proposed ‘At Any Time’ Waiting Restrictions and Traffic Calming Measures
Lead officer:	Gareth Nunn Senior Highways Engineer Schemes 01708 433139 Gareth.nunn@havering.gov.uk
Approved by:	Forwarded to HR for approval accompanying the Executive Decision form for this scheme.
Version Number	V0.1
Date and Key Changes Made	29/05/2024
Scheduled date for next review:	Scheme to be implemented under a permanent traffic order (where traffic orders are applicable). A review of the implemented scheme will take place to ensure it has been installed correctly and that any impact on residents is as expected and as advised within this EqHIA.

Did you seek advice from the Corporate Policy & Diversity team?	No
Did you seek advice from the Public Health team?	No
Does the EqHIA contain any confidential or exempt information that would prevent you publishing it on the Council's website? See Publishing Checklist.	No

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1. Equality & Health Impact Assessment Checklist

Please complete the following checklist to determine whether or not you will need to complete an EqHIA and ensure you keep this section for your audit trail. If you have any questions, please contact READI@haverling.gov.uk for advice from either the Corporate Diversity or Public Health teams. Please refer to [this Guidance](#) on how to complete this form.

About your activity

1	Title of activity	Minor Parking Scheme and Traffic Calming – Shepherds Hill – Proposed ‘At Any Time’ Waiting Restrictions and Traffic Calming Measures		
2	Type of activity	Traffic & Parking schemes		
3	Scope of activity	The installation of at any time waiting restrictions, extension of 30mph speed limit, traffic island, village gate and signage changes.		
4a	Are you changing, introducing a new, or removing a service, policy, strategy or function?	Yes	If the answer to <u>either</u> of these questions is ‘YES’, please continue to question 5.	If the answer to <u>all</u> of the questions (4a, 4b & 4c) is ‘NO’, please go to question 6.
4b	Does this activity have the potential to impact (either positively or negatively) upon people from different backgrounds?	Yes		
4c	Does the activity have the potential to impact (either positively or negatively) upon any factors which determine people’s health and wellbeing?	Yes		
5	If you answered YES:	Please complete the EqHIA in Section 2 of this document. Please see Appendix 1 for Guidance.		
6	If you answered NO:			

Completed by:	Gareth Nunn Senior Highways Engineer - Schemes
Date:	29/05/2024

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2. The EqHIA – How will the strategy, policy, plan, procedure and/or service impact on people?

Background/context:

Following on from concerns raised by members and residents in relation to obstructive and erroneous parking on Shepherds Hill, a scheme proposing 'waiting restrictions' to ease these issues has been consulted on and agreement with Councillors has been given to progress.

In addition to the 'waiting restrictions', some traffic calming measures/improvements were also proposed. The intention of these proposals is to reduce traffic speeds on the staggered junction of Shepherds Hill, Hall Lane and Nags Head Lane. Whilst also highlighting to drivers travelling west on to Shepherds Hill that they are entering the more urban area of Harold Wood having left the more rural Warley Hill, Nags Head Lane and Hall Lane.

Who will be affected by the activity?

The installation/ extension of the no waiting at any time restrictions would improve road safety, traffic flow, sight lines and access for the emergency services which will be of benefit to all residents. These restrictions may impact on the parking capacity for residents and their visitors but blue badge holders can park on the no waiting at any time restrictions for up to three hours. The installation of no waiting at any time restrictions will aid larger vehicles (emergency services and Council vehicles) and have street cleaning benefits. Vehicles will not be able to park on the no waiting at any time restriction, however they can still load and unload goods and alight passengers. The removal of the general parking provision may encourage residents/visitors to use other modes of transport such as cycling or using public transport.

The proposed traffic calming measures are likely to reduce vehicle speeds around a staggered junction and upon entry into a more urban area. This is likely to decrease the potential for traffic collisions and enhance overall safety.

Protected Characteristic - Age: Consider the full range of age groups

Please tick (✓) the relevant box:

Positive

Neutral

Negative

Overall impact:

<input type="checkbox"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>

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<p>Evidence:</p>	<p><i>*Expand box as required</i></p>
<p>Sources used:</p>	<p><i>*Expand box as required</i></p>

<p>Protected Characteristic - Disability: Consider the full range of disabilities; including physical, mental, sensory, progressive conditions and learning difficulties. Also consider neurodivergent conditions e.g. dyslexia and autism.</p>	
<p><i>Please tick (✓) the relevant box:</i></p>	<p>Overall impact:</p>
<p>Positive</p>	<p>Blue badge holders can park on the no waiting at any time restrictions for up to three hours when displaying their blue badge</p>
<p>Neutral</p>	
<p>Negative</p>	
<p><i>*Expand box as required</i></p>	
<p>Evidence:</p>	
<p><i>*Expand box as required</i></p>	
<p>Sources used:</p>	
<p><i>*Expand box as required</i></p>	

<p>Protected Characteristic – Sex / gender: Consider both men and women</p>	
<p><i>Please tick (✓) the relevant box:</i></p>	<p>Overall impact:</p>
<p>Positive</p>	
<p>Neutral</p>	

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Negative	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>*Expand box as required</i>
Evidence:		<i>*Expand box as required</i>
Sources used:		<i>*Expand box as required</i>

Protected Characteristic – Ethnicity / race / nationalities: Consider the impact on different minority ethnic groups and nationalities		
<i>Please tick (✓) the relevant box:</i>		Overall impact:
Positive	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>*Expand box as required</i>
Neutral	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Negative	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Evidence:		<i>*Expand box as required</i>
Sources used:		<i>*Expand box as required</i>

Protected Characteristic – Religion / faith: Consider people from different religions or beliefs, including those with no religion or belief		
<i>Please tick (✓) the relevant box:</i>		Overall impact:
Positive	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Neutral	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

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Negative			<i>*Expand box as required</i>
Evidence:			
<i>*Expand box as required</i>			
Sources used:			
<i>*Expand box as required</i>			

Protected Characteristic - Sexual orientation: Consider people who are heterosexual, lesbian, gay or bisexual			
<i>Please tick (✓) the relevant box:</i>		Overall impact:	
Positive			
Neutral	✓		
Negative			<i>*Expand box as required</i>
Evidence:			
<i>*Expand box as required</i>			
Sources used:			
<i>*Expand box as required</i>			

Protected Characteristic - Gender reassignment: Consider people who are seeking, undergoing or have received gender reassignment surgery, as well as people whose gender identity is different from their gender at birth			
<i>Please tick (✓) the relevant box:</i>		Overall impact:	
Positive			
Neutral	✓		

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Negative		<i>*Expand box as required</i>
Evidence:		
<i>*Expand box as required</i>		
Sources used:		
<i>*Expand box as required</i>		

Protected Characteristic – Marriage / civil partnership: Consider people in a marriage or civil partnership		
<i>Please tick (✓) the relevant box:</i>		Overall impact:
Positive		
Neutral	✓	
Negative		
		<i>*Expand box as required</i>
Evidence:		
<i>*Expand box as required</i>		
Sources used:		
<i>*Expand box as required</i>		

Protected Characteristic - Pregnancy, maternity and paternity: Consider those who are pregnant and those who are taking maternity or paternity leave		
<i>Please tick (✓) the relevant box:</i>		Overall impact:
Positive		
Neutral	✓	
Negative		

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Negative		<i>*Expand box as required</i>
Evidence:		
<i>*Expand box as required</i>		
Sources used:		
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Socio-economic status: Consider those who are from low income or financially excluded backgrounds		
<i>Please tick (✓) the relevant box:</i>		Overall impact:
Positive		
Neutral	✓	
Negative		
		<i>*Expand box as required</i>
Evidence:		
<i>*Expand box as required</i>		
Sources used:		
<i>*Expand box as required</i>		

Health & Wellbeing Impact:		
Consider both short and long-term impacts of the activity on a person's physical and mental health, particularly for disadvantaged, vulnerable or at-risk groups. Can health and wellbeing be positively promoted through this activity?		
<i>Please tick (✓) all the relevant boxes that apply:</i>		Overall impact:
Positive		
		The proposals for at any time waiting restrictions will improve road safety for all road users including pedestrians, improve traffic flow and

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Neutral	✓	access for the emergency services. Also the improvement of sight lines will reduce road users stress as obstructive parking would be reduced.
Negative		<p>The introduction of waiting restrictions will impact on the amount of parking capacity which may have an impact on the wellbeing of drivers as alternative parking would have to be sought. Although parking further away from their destination will improve their health as this would promote walking.</p> <p>Blue badge holders will also be impacted as alternative parking may have to be sought if they wish to park for longer than three hours in the restricted locations which might impact their wellbeing.</p> <p>Improved access for Service and Emergency service vehicles which may reduce anxiety for residents concerned about access for these vehicles. No waiting restrictions will reduce stress on the waste collection operatives and drivers of larger vehicles.</p> <p>Residents will have better sight lines when exiting their driveways. Some of these proposals for waiting restrictions have road safety, traffic flow, maneuvering and street cleaning benefits.</p> <p>The proposed at any time waiting restrictions should make negotiating roads safer for all road users. The proposals will improve traffic flow.</p> <p>The extension of the 30mph speed limit has the potential to improve overall road safety by encouraging drivers to not exceed the speed limit.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>*Expand box as required</i></p> <p>Do you consider that a more in-depth HIA is required as a result of this brief assessment? Please tick (✓) the relevant box</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Yes No ✓</p>
<p>Evidence:</p> <p>The scheme is believed to have a neutral impact on residents.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>*Expand box as required</i></p>		
<p>Sources used:</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>*Expand box as required</i></p>		

4. Review

In this section you should identify how frequently the EqHIA will be reviewed; the date for next review; and who will be reviewing it.

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Review: 02/08/2024

Scheduled date of review: 02/08/2024

Lead Officer conducting the review: Gareth Nunn

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Please submit the completed form via e-mail to READI@haverling.gov.uk thank you.

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Part C – Record of decision

I have made this executive decision in accordance with authority delegated to me by the Leader of the Council and in compliance with the requirements of the Constitution.

Decision

Proposal agreed

Details of decision maker



Imran Kazalbash
Director of Environment

22 October 2024

Lodging this notice

The signed decision notice must be delivered to Committee Services, in the Town Hall.

For use by Committee Administration

This notice was lodged with me on _____

Signed _____