

**SALISBURY DISTRICT TRANSPORTATION  
JOINT COMMITTEE****JULY 2006**

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**SALISBURY: MILFORD AREA - RESULTS OF PUBLIC CONSULTATION  
CONCERNING AN EXTENSION TO THE BOUNDARY OF THE EXISTING  
RESIDENTS' PARKING ZONE C****Purpose of Report**

1. To inform Members of the outcomes of consultation recently undertaken with residents of Bourne Avenue and Wain-a-Long Road to see if they would support the introduction of a residents' parking scheme as a solution to parking problems they are currently experiencing.

**Background**

2. The existing Residents' Parking Zone C (RPZC), which covers roads including Tollgate Road, Kelsey Road and Wessex Road, was introduced in 1992. Bourne Avenue and Wain-a-Long Road sit outside the northern boundary of RPZC.
3. Following complaints from local residents and elected members concerning the problems being caused by commuter and shopper parking in Bourne Avenue and Wain-a-Long Road it was decided to consult with residents of these roads to see if they would support the introduction of a residents parking scheme as a possible solution.
4. In March 2006 consultation material was distributed to residents of Bourne Avenue and Wain-a-Long Road. The consultation material distributed included a questionnaire that sought to find out if residents believed commuter and shopper parking to be a problem in their street and if they would support the introduction of a residents parking scheme as a possible solution. In total 133 questionnaires were delivered to residents. A copy of the consultation material, including a list of streets to which the material was distributed, is attached to this report at **Appendix A**.

**Results of the Consultation**

5. A total of 70 questionnaires were completed and returned by residents. This represents an overall response rate of 53%. The returned questionnaires showed that 60% of residents felt that commuter and shopper parking was a problem in their street and that 53% of residents supported the introduction of a residents parking scheme covering their street. A detailed summary of the returned questionnaires is attached to this report at **Appendix B**.
6. The returned questionnaires also contained numerous comments from residents that related to the possible introduction of a residents parking scheme. The most frequently raised comment, raised a total of 8 times, was that parents undertaking the school run were the cause of problems in Bourne Avenue and Wain-a-Long Road. A total of 6 comments were also raised requesting that traffic calming be introduced in the area. A detailed summary of all the comments raised is attached to this report at **Appendix C**.

### **Additional Traffic Regulation Order Work**

7. It is also proposed to carry out some additional Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) works within the area to take into account recent housing developments and to bring RPZC in line with the other residents' parking zones in Salisbury. Details of the additional works proposed are listed below:
- Amendments to the waiting restrictions in Manor Road following a recent housing development. This work would be paid for via a developer contribution associated with the development.
  - Amendments to the waiting restrictions in Waterloo Road following a recent housing development. This work would be paid for via a developer contribution associated with the development.
  - Replace all existing residents' parking bay signage within RPZC, which currently states the time restrictions as Monday to Friday 9.00 am - 5.00 pm, with signs stating the time restrictions as Monday to Saturday 8.00 am - 6.00 pm. This would bring the time restrictions associated with the residents parking bays within this zone in line with other residents parking zones within Salisbury.
  - Remove the zonal TRO covering the single yellow line restrictions that currently operate Monday to Friday 9.00 am - 5.00 pm and replace it with a non-zonal TRO changing the operational times to Monday to Saturday 8.00 am - 6.00 pm. This would bring the orders and time restrictions associated with the single yellow line restrictions within RPZC in line with the other residents' parking zones within Salisbury.
8. It is also planned that waiting restrictions be introduced into St. Mark's Avenue and Pearce Way to deal with parked vehicles causing obstructions to the free flow of traffic in these roads. The TROs associated with this work can be progressed concurrently with the RPZC orders.

### **Environmental Impact of the Recommendation**

9. The project, once implemented, will contribute to the objectives of the Salisbury Transport Plan.

### **Options Considered**

10. In light of the analysis of the returned questionnaires the following options have been considered:
- (i) Introduction of a residents' parking scheme covering all of the streets that were consulted. Implementation of the additional TRO work as detailed in paragraphs 7 and 8.
  - (ii) Abandon the proposals.

### **Reasons for Recommendation**

11. The analysis of the returned questionnaires indicates that residents believe there to be parking problems in the street where they live and that overall there is support for the introduction of a residents' parking scheme to alleviate these problems. Therefore the complete abandonment of the proposals is not warranted.
12. Whilst the introduction of traffic calming measures into the area is not a direct consideration of this project, the design of the waiting restrictions to be introduced in Bourne Avenue and Wain-a-Long Road can in part be used to help control the flow and speed of vehicles using these roads.

13. The additional works detailed in paragraph 7 will resolve minor parking issues created by recent housing developments within RPZC and will also help to make the use and enforcement of waiting restrictions within the zone easier.
14. The additional works detailed in paragraph 8 will remove parked vehicles currently causing obstructions to the free flow of traffic in these roads and thereby make the roads safer to use by motorists accessing the St. Mark's and Bishopdown areas.

### **Recommendation**

15. That the contents of this report be noted.

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**The following unpublished documents have been relied on in the preparation of this Report:**

None