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ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT ACT 2004
THE COUNTY OF WILTSHIRE (TIDWORTH) (PROHIBITION AND RESTRICTION OF
WAITING, TAXI RANK CLEARWAYS AND ON-STREET PARKING) CONSOLIDATION
ORDER 2018 (AMENDMENT NO.2) ORDER 2019

Purpose of Report

1. To consider three objections and one comment in connection with the proposed Waiting Restriction (No-waiting at any time) on Oatway Road, Tidworth (**see Appendix 2**).

Relevance to the Council's Business Plan

2. To encourage resilient communities by facilitating pedestrian links between residential areas.

Background

3. As part of the strategic redevelopment of the northern sector of the town of Tidworth, Persimmon Homes built the residential development known as Riverbourne Fields. As part of the development a Primary School Academy has been constructed and is well used by not only the local residents but also families from the wider area.
4. Following the full occupation of Riverbourne Fields and the opening of the school there has been an increase in vehicles in and around Oatway Road, primarily associated with the school. On a regular basis there is a high level of on-street parking which causes an obstruction for passing vehicles and means that children have to walk between parked cars to access the school. Some parking is also occurring at the junctions with Franklin Close and Jones Lane, making the access unsafe for both drivers and pedestrians.

Main Considerations for the Council

5. The locations and lengths of yellow lines demarcating the waiting restrictions have been applied to ensure that both pedestrians and vehicles are able to utilise the highway without conflict. Comments received have suggested that the length of restrictions should be continued along Oatway Road to meet Connolly Way, and that the introduction of the proposed length of yellow lines will potentially increase on-street parking at other locations. It is acknowledged that there is a potential risk of displaced parking. However, the location of the yellow lines has been designed primarily to minimise the impact of parked cars on pedestrians (in particular children) within the vicinity of the school. The impact of the waiting restrictions will be

monitored to determine whether any displaced parking occurs. The proposed waiting restrictions also consider the operation of bus services that use Oatway Road to ensure they have sufficient space to manoeuvre.

6. Two comments request an extension of the lines onto Windmill Road to protect the junction with Oatway Road from on-street parking. This has been considered and acknowledged and there is a current consultation to accommodate an extra length of 10 metres either side of the junction.

Safeguarding Implications

7. Not applicable.

Public Health Implications

8. The waiting restrictions will encourage pedestrian access, especially in relation to school access, helping to promote a healthier means of travel.

Corporate Procurement Implications

9. Not applicable.

Environmental and Climate Change Considerations

10. The removal of on-street parking will improve the amenity of the residents in the vicinity.

Equalities Impact of the Proposal

11. The removal of on-street parking will facilitate the movements of vehicles including refuse vehicles and emergency vehicles. There is a possibility of displaced parking. However, this situation can be monitored and addressed if it becomes a safety matter.

Risk Assessment

12. Not applicable.

Financial Implications

13. All costs associated with the advertisement/processing and implementation on site is to be met by the developer.

Legal Implications

14. There are none.

Options Considered

15. To:
 - (i) Implement the proposals as advertised.
 - (ii) Not implement the proposals.

- (iii) Implement the proposals with amendments.

Reason for Proposal

16. The introduction of a “No-waiting at any time” restriction on the lengths outlined in the Order will ensure that children accessing the school will be able to cross the road safely without the danger of restricted visibility due to parked cars. The location of the yellow lines will ensure that junctions in the area are kept clear of on-street parking to facilitate the passage of vehicles, in particular buses, refuse vehicles and large emergency vehicles, in the interests of the safety of the users of the highway.

Proposal

17. That the proposals, as advertised, be implemented.

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

None