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**PROPOSED WAITING RESTRICTIONS**  
**WINDING WAY, SALISBURY**

**Purpose of Report**

1. To:
  - (i) Consider the comments received following the formal advertisement of a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO hereafter) proposing the introduction of waiting restrictions in Winding Way, Salisbury.
  - (ii) Recommend the making of the TRO as advertised.

**Relevance to the Council's Business Plan**

2. The proposal meets two of the priorities in the Council's Business Plan 2017-2027. Those priorities being:
  - Priority 2 – Strong Communities.
  - Priority 4 – Working with Partners as an innovative and effective council.
3. Priority 2 has been met through the proposed introduction of waiting restrictions that will address road safety concerns raised by the Headteacher at Woodlands Primary School (located in Winding Way) and residents of Winding Way. The proposed restrictions will help to provide a better walking route to the school in line with the Council's ambitions to improve and encourage the use of sustainable modes of travel, which will contribute towards the building of a stronger community.
4. Priority 4 has been met through the development of the proposals (to which this report relates) with the Headteacher of Woodlands Primary School through the Council's Taking Action On School Journeys (TAOSJ hereafter) programme and local residents through a Housing Department Residents' Engagement Officer.

**Background**

5. Winding Way is within the Bemerton Heath Estate which is located to the north-west of Salisbury City Centre in the Bemerton Ward. Winding Way is principally comprised of residential properties (the significant proportion of which are owned by the Council) and Woodlands Primary School (including Oak Tree Nursery which is located within the school campus).
6. Winding Way can be accessed, by both pedestrian and vehicular traffic, from Rawlence Road and Woodside Road. Rawlence Road serves as the principal access to Woodlands Primary School.

7. Winding Way, like many roads that are situated close to schools, experiences parking and traffic flow issues at the start and end of the school day. Observed problems include:
  - Vehicles obstructing footways and dropped kerb crossing points resulting in pedestrians (including parents and children walking to the school) being forced to walk in a live running carriageway.
  - Vehicles obstructing visibility at junctions.
  - Vehicles obstructing dropped kerb accesses and preventing residents for accessing/egressing their driveways.
  - Vehicles preventing deliveries being made to the school. Such parking could also prevent emergency service vehicles from reaching the school quickly should the need to do so arise.
8. In response to complaints received from parents and local residents about the problems being experienced in Winding Way the Headteacher of Woodlands Primary School approached the Council in 2018 through its TAOSJ programme to request the introduction of waiting restrictions to address the problems outlined above. Working with the Headteacher and local residents, officers from the Council developed the proposals consulted upon.
9. A TRO proposing the introduction of waiting restrictions in Winding Way was formally advertised for comment on 8 November 2018. The Council's closing date for receipt of objections or other representations to the advertised TRO, together with the grounds on which they were made, was 3 December 2018.

### **Summary of Proposals**

10. The advertised TRO proposed:
  - The use of 'No Waiting At Any Time' (NWAAT) restrictions
  - The use of a 'No Waiting Monday – Friday 8.00am – 5.00pm restriction
  - The use of driveway protection (white bar) markings. Such markings can be laid without the need for a TRO but were included in the advertised TRO for information purposes.
11. A plan showing the Council's advertised proposals is attached as **Appendix 1**.

### **Summary of Responses**

12. A total of four items of correspondence have been received in response to the Council's proposals. Of the four items three objected to the Council's proposals and one offered comments on the Council's proposals without indicating whether they supported or opposed them.
13. A summary of the correspondents who submitted comments is attached as **Appendix 2**. A full copy of the comments submitted by the correspondents, together with officer responses, is attached as **Appendix 3**.
14. Substantive comments are considered to be comments that would result in the Council proposing changes to the proposals it advertised. It is considered that no substantive comments have been submitted by the correspondents.

### **Main Considerations for the Council**

15. Consideration needs to be given to the comments received on the Council's advertised proposals and whether or not changes should be made to them in light of the comments received. Potential changes to the Council's proposals need to be considered in the context of making sure that any revised proposals address the problems being experienced in Winding Way as raised with the Council by the Headteacher of Woodlands Primary School and local residents.

#### **Overview and Scrutiny Engagement**

16. There are none in this scheme.

#### **Safeguarding Implications**

17. There is no risk to the Council as a result of these proposals.

#### **Public Health Implications**

18. The introduction of the waiting restrictions as proposed will move parking activities away from the pedestrian accesses to Woodlands Primary School. This will result in parents and children arriving by car having a short walk from where they will be able to park to access the school campus. The short walk will serve to help improve public health.

#### **Corporate Procurement Implications**

19. There are none with this proposal.

#### **Environmental and Climate Change Considerations**

20. The Council's proposals would require the laying of road markings and the erection of signs on the public highway. Doing so would have an impact on the visual aspect of the area. However, as the area is already subject to the provision of road markings, signs and various items of street furniture the resultant impact from the Council's current proposals would be minimal.
21. The Council would also seek to minimise the impact on the visual aspect of the area by erecting, where possible, any new signs required as a result of its proposals on existing items of street furniture.

#### **Equalities Impact of the Proposal**

22. There are none with this proposal.

#### **Risk Assessment**

23. If schemes, programmed for design or delivery within the current financial year, are not progressed the Council risks the potential of delayed delivery in subsequent years due to other funding demands and uncertainty of future budget allocations.

#### **Financial Implications**

24. There is an allocation in the 2019-2020 TAOSJ budget which allows for introduction of this scheme. Should the scheme not progress, the funding would be returned to the Council's TAOSJ budget allocation and would be available to be put towards other schemes.

#### **Legal Implications**

25. The introduction of new waiting restrictions requires the processing of a TRO. The process of introducing a TRO is governed by the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 and associated procedural regulations. Failure to adhere to the statutory processes could result in the restrictions being successfully challenged in the High Court.

### **Options Considered**

26. To:
- (i) Implement the proposed waiting restrictions as advertised.
  - (ii) Amend the proposed waiting restrictions in consideration of the comments received
  - (iii) Abandon the proposals.

### **Reason for Proposals**

27. The proposed restrictions will serve to address the parking and traffic flow issues in Winding Way, as raised with the Council by the Headteacher of Woodlands Primary School and local residents.
28. The proposals are in accordance with Priorities 2 and 4 of the Council's Business Plan.

### **Proposals**

29. That:
- (i) The proposed waiting restrictions be introduced as advertised.
  - (ii) Correspondents be informed accordingly.

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

None