ENVIRONMENT, TRANSPORT & SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

Agenda Item 11

Brighton & Hove City Council

Subject: Parking Scheme Update Report

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Report of: Executive Director, Economy, Environment &

Culture

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Ward(s) affected: Hollingbury & Stanmer, Moulsecoomb & Bevendean,

Preston Park, Patcham and Hove Park.

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1. PURPOSE OF REPORT AND POLICY CONTEXT

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to update Committee on the progress of recent resident parking scheme consultations.
- 1.2 This report outlines the findings of the recent consultation with residents in the Surrenden area and reports on the review of a small part of Zone D (event day scheme).
- 1.3 It also asks Committee for approval on recent Traffic Regulation Orders for the Coombe Road area in regard to resident parking scheme and an area outside the recently introduced Hove Park resident parking scheme in relation to parking restrictions.

2. **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- 2.1 That the Committee having taken account of all duly made representations and comments, agrees to proceed to the next stage of the detailed design for the Surrenden Road Area Parking Consultation. This will consist of a consultation to the whole area on a light touch parking scheme Monday to Friday.
- 2.2 That the Committee having taken account of all duly made representations and comments, agrees that the following Traffic Regulation Orders are approved and the Coombe Road area (Zone U) proceeds to the implementation stage:-
 - BRIGHTON & HOVE VARIOUS CONTROLLED PARKING ZONES CONSOLIDATION ORDER 2018 AMENDMENT ORDER 202* (TRO-6A-2020)
 - BRIGHTON & HOVE OUTER AREAS (WAITING, LOADING AND PARKING) AND CYCLE LANES CONSOLIDATION ORDER 2018 AMENDMENT ORDER NO.* 202* (TRO-6B-2020)
- 2.3 That the Committee having taken account of all duly made representations and comments, agrees that the following Traffic Regulation Order is approved on the

displacement of vehicles from the Hove Park scheme proceeds to the implementation stage:-

BRIGHTON AND HOVE OUTER AREAS (WAITING, LOADING AND PARKING) AND CYCLE LANES CONSOLIDATION ORDER 2018 AMENDMENT ORDER NO.*202* (TRO -1-2020)

2.4 To note that no changes are being proposed to Zones B (Coldean) & D (Moulsecoomb).

3. CONTEXT/ BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Surrenden Area

- 3.1 Following Environment, Transport & Sustainability (ETS) on 27th November 2018, it was agreed to write to all residents and businesses in the Surrenden Road area in January 2020 to find out if there is general support for a resident parking scheme.and if so, what days and hours of operation may be preferred.
- 3.2 Brighton & Hove City Council Land and Property Gazeteer was used to provide 1704 property addresses in the Surrenden area. A questionnaire, frequently asked questions sheet and a prepaid envelope for reply was sent to each address. Respondents were also invited to complete the survey online via the council's Consultation Portal should they wish to. 686 (74.6%) responses received were by mail and 233 (25.3%) online and 1 response by email. The consultation ran from 7th January to 15th February 2020.
- 3.3 The results outlined that 69.2% of respondents support the idea of a resident parking scheme in the area based on a 54% response rate.
- 3.4 63.6% of respondents wanted a light touch scheme while 36.4% preferred a full scheme. 62.2% of respondents supported a Monday Friday scheme while 37.8% supported a Monday Sunday scheme.
- 3.5 Analysis undertaken of all the responses received from respondents and the full results analysis of the consultation including a road by road results plan is outlined in detail in Appendix A, including the main comments.
- 3.6 Therefore it is recommended that further detailed design consultation takes place in the Surrenden area (Appendix B), on a light touch resident parking scheme Monday Friday.
- 3.7 The Surrenden Ward Councillors have outlined that they were happy to support the recommendations.

Match Day Parking Area

3.8 Following the implementation of Zones B & D in June 2013 it was agreed in the Parking Scheme Priority Timetable set in 2017 to review both these areas.

Zone B (Coldean area)

A consultation was held with residents in August/September 2019. The results outlined that 78% were satisfied or very satisfied with the current Zone B parking scheme and 91.7% are happy for the scheme to remain the same. A wider issue of misuse of visitor permits is being addressed in the Fees and Charges report to this Committee and double yellow lines will be considered on a future TRO.

It is therefore, proposed that no additional changes should be made to Zone B.

Zone D (Moulsecoomb area)

A consultation was held with residents in August/September 2019. The results outlined that 55.8% were satisfied or very satisfied with the current Zone D parking scheme and 70.5% are happy for the scheme to remain the same.

An error in the address database identified a small number of roads were missed from the initial consultation. These were Home Farm Road, Highbrook Close, Highway Close, Lewes Road, Ryelands Drive, Selsfield Drive, The Highway, Thorndean Road and Wild Park Close. The households of these roads were consulted in January/February 2020.

- 3.9 Brighton & Hove City Council Land and Property Gazetteer was used to provide 471 property addresses in the Zone D area. A questionnaire, frequently asked questions sheet and a prepaid envelope for reply was sent to each address. Respondents were also invited to complete the survey online via the council's Consultation Portal should they wish to. 40 (93%) responses received were by mail and 3 (7.0%) online. The consultation ran from 31 January to 28 February 2020.
- 3.10 The headline figures indicate that 30% are satisfied or very satisfied with the current Zone D parking scheme and 51.4% are happy for the scheme to remain the same. Residents were asked to indicate their satisfaction with the current scheme. Only 30% of residents said they were satisfied or very satisfied. However, of the 471 properties we wrote to only 43 valid responses were received of which 40 responded to this question.
- 3.11 Analysis undertaken of all the responses received from respondents and the full results analysis of the consultation including a road by road results is outlined in detail in Appendix C including the comments. The main concern was around enforcement and this will be reviewed although this did increase over the 19/20 football season.
- 3.12 In the initial consultation a small section wanted changes but it was not practical to split the Zone, therefore with the results of both consultations it is recommended that no changes are made to the Zone with the exception of the change being made to the visitor permits and being discussed in the Fees and Charges report to this committee.

Traffic Regulation Orders

Coombe Road Area (Zone U)

- 3.13 Following ETS Committee on 21st January 2020 it was agreed to advertise the Traffic Regulation Order for the introduction of a light touch parking scheme.
- 3.14 The draft Traffic Regulation Order was advertised on 17 April 2020 with a closing date for comments and objections on the 15 May 2020. The Ward Councillors for the area were consulted, as were the statutory consultees such as the emergency services.
- 3.15 The notice was published in The Argus newspaper on 17 April 2020. The documents were available to view and to respond to directly on the Council website. A plan showing the proposals is shown in Appendix D.
- 3.16 We received 30 items of correspondence objecting to the proposals from residents who live within the zone and 10 from residents who live outside the zone. 15 items of correspondence were objecting to the specifics of the scheme and 15 were opposed to the scheme in general. There were 11 items of correspondence supporting the proposals from residents who live within the proposed zone due to the parking problems.
- 3.17 The comments/objections are listed in Appendix E.
- 3.18 Following the Traffic Regulation Order consultation, and after responding to the objections, it is proposed to proceed with the implementation of the Coombe Road Area (Zone U) which will begin operation on 1st November 2020.

Parking restriction proposals outside of newly introduced Zone P (Hove Park area)

- 3.19 Following the implementation of the Zone P controlled parking zone, the Parking Infrastructure Team received a number of requests for changes to parking restrictions just outside the new zone. These were in the following roads: Dyke Road Place, Goldstone Crescent, Withdean Road, Woodland Avenue and Woodland Close, all with proposals for double yellow lines. The draft Traffic Regulation Order was advertised on 28 February 2020 with the closing date for comments on 20 March 2020. The Ward Councillors for the areas were consulted, as were the statutory consultees such as the Emergency Services.
- 3.20 Notices with the information about the proposals were erected within the roads with proposed parking restrictions on 27 February 2020. The notice was also published in the Brighton & Hove Independent newspaper on 28 February 2020. Detailed plans and the draft Traffic Regulation Order were available to view at the Customer Service centres at Bartholomew House and Hove Town Hall. A plan showing the proposals is shown in Appendix F.
- 3.21 There were 14 comments regarding Goldstone Crescent mainly objecting that the proposals didn't go far enough. The resident concerns have been considered although the proposed no waiting at any time is recommended to ensure that junctions are kept clear for safety reasons and not to control parking outside of residents' properties. There was 1 comment supporting the proposals.
- 3.22 There were 30 items of correspondence from residents of the areas objecting to

- the proposals in Dyke Road Place, Withdean Road, Woodland Avenue and Woodland Close. The comments/objections are listed in Appendix G.
- 3.23 Following the Traffic Regulation Order consultation, and after responding to the objections, it is proposed to proceed with the implementation of this Traffic Regulation Order.

4. ANALYSIS & CONSIDERATION OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

- 4.1 The main alternative options are doing nothing which would mean that the various parking scheme consultations would not be taken forward or consulting on a different option.
- 4.2 It is, however, the recommendation of officers to proceed for the reasons that are outlined within the report.

5. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT & CONSULTATION

5.1 As set out in the body of the report.

6. CONCLUSION

6.1 As set out in the body of the report and within the recommendations.

7. FINANCIAL & OTHER IMPLICATIONS:

Financial Implications:

- 7.1 The detailed financial implications of the proposed scheme in the Surrenden area will be included in a future committee report once the final design of the scheme has been determined. It is expected that any additional costs associated with the recommendation of this report are absorbed within existing Parking Services budgets. This will be monitored as part of budget monitoring and setting.
- 7.2 The costs associated with the implementation of parking restrictions in the Hove Park area are funded from existing Parking Infrastructure team revenue budgets
- 7.3 The capital costs of the Coombe Road area (Zone U) resident parking scheme will be funded from borrowing, with repayments made over a seven-year period funded from the revenue income generated. The additional annual income from this resident parking scheme is estimated £0.300m, which after the costs of managing the scheme would generate sufficient income to fund the borrowing repayments.
- 7.4 Additional enforcement costs for this scheme is estimated to be £0.040m. There are also other additional ongoing revenue costs for bank charges, staff time, repairs and maintenance. These costs are not included in current revenue budgets but will be funded from the income generated by the new scheme.
- 7.5 Use of surplus income from parking charges and penalty charges is governed by section 55 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984. Once the need for provision of off-street parking facilities and to make good deficits to central funding has

been met, use of surpluses is currently confined to the provision of public transport services or to road, air quality or environmental improvements.

7.6 Parking charges are subject to the Council's Corporate Fees and Charges Policy. As a minimum, charges will be reviewed annually as part of the budget and service planning process.

Finance Officer Consulted: Jess Laing Date: 10th June 2020

Legal Implications:

- 8.1. With regard to the consultations for the Surrenden Road Area, the Council is not under a statutory duty to consult the public. However once the Council has decided to do so (even if the consultation is voluntary) it must carry out the consultation in a fair way. The consultation must take place when the relevant proposals are still at a formative stage, adequate information must be given to consultees to enable them properly to respond to the consultation exercise and they must be allowed enough time within which to respond to the consultation exercise. The Council, as decision maker, must give conscientious consideration to consultees' responses and objections. The recommendations in this report are based on the responses to those consultations and the consideration given to them.
 - 8.2 The Council is under a duty to consider any objections received following the advertising of a traffic regulation order. Any unresolved objections are referred to the ETS Committee. The implementation of the Traffic Regulation Orders as recommended in this report will demonstrate that the Council is complying with its duty as traffic authority to manage the road network with a view to securing, as far as reasonably practicable, the expeditious, convenient and safe movement of traffic.

Lawyer Consulted: Stephanie Stammers Date: 03/06/2020

Equalities Implications:

7.7 Consultation took place and the comments and wishes of the respondents were taken into account when considering what changes would best meet the needs of those local populations. The proposed measures will be of benefit to many road users.

Sustainability Implications:

7.8 No sustainability implications identified.

Brexit Implications:

7.9 No Brexit implications identified.

Any Other Significant Implications:

7.6 None

Crime & Disorder Implications:

7.7 None

Risk and Opportunity Management Implications:

7.8 None

Public Health Implications:

7.9 None

Corporate / Citywide Implications:

7.10 None

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Appendices:

- 1. Appendix A Surrenden Area Results
- 2. Appendix B Surrenden Area Map
- 3. Appendix C Match Day Results
- 4. Appendix D Coombe Road Area Map
- 5. Appendix E Coombe Road Traffic Regulation Order comments
- 6. Appendix F Hove Park Displacement plans
- 7. Appendix G Hove Park Displacement Traffic Regulation Order comments

Background Documents:

None