

Subject:	Surrenden & Fiveways Area Resident Parking Scheme Consultation		
Date of Meeting:	17th March 2015		
Report of:	Executive Director Environment, Development & Housing		
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Ward(s) affected:	Withdean & Preston Park		

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT AND POLICY CONTEXT

- 1.1 This report seeks agreement to proceed with a Resident Parking Scheme Consultation in the Surrenden & Fiveways area as soon as possible and outlines the proposed way forward.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 2.1 That the Committee agrees to proceed with a Resident Parking Scheme Consultation in the Surrenden & Fiveways area in June 2015.
- 2.2 That the Committee agrees that the consultation gives the option of a 9am-8pm full scheme for five days (Monday to Friday) or seven days as part of a new parking scheme.

3. CONTEXT/ BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 3.1 As part of the Citywide Parking Review update report presented to the ETS Committee on 7th October 2014 it was agreed to proceed with Parking Surveys in the Surrenden & Fiveways area.
- 3.2 The parking surveys were undertaken in February but the authorisation on taking forward a consultation has yet to be agreed. Therefore, following a request from members of the ETS Committee on 20th January 2015 this report outlines the proposed way forward and seeks agreement to proceed with the consultation as soon as possible.

4. ANALYSIS & CONSIDERATION OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

- 4.1 The main alternative option is doing nothing which would mean the proposals would not be taken forward. There is also the option to consult on further different parking schemes such as a light touch scheme.
- 4.2 However, it is the recommendation of officers that these proposals are proceeded with for the reasons outlined within the report.

5. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT & CONSULTATION

- 5.1 It is proposed that the consultation will take place in June with a leaflet drop to all directly affected properties including residents, businesses and services. A staffed exhibition will also take place locally to allow members of the public to speak to officers about their views.
- 5.2 The intention is to consult on a 9am-8pm parking scheme with the option of a five day (Monday to Friday) or seven day scheme which is similar to the consultation on the Preston Park Triangle area implemented last year. This would be a new parking scheme as the adjoining Area J parking scheme is now one of the biggest in Brighton & Hove.
- 5.3 The reason for the hours is because this is consistent with other nearby schemes and would prevent vehicle displacement if the scheme had shorter hours. The evening period up to 8pm is also one of the most high demand times for parking.
- 5.4 In terms of light touch parking schemes a number of reasons were outlined to the Transport Committee on 15th January 2013 as part of the Citywide parking Review. It was agreed at this meeting not to consult on any further new schemes of this type.
- 5.5 Due to the time needed to prepare the detailed design of the scheme and to prepare the leaflets / exhibitions it is intended to undertake the consultation in June which is the soonest time possible.

6. CONCLUSION

- 6.1 It is the recommendation of officers that this proposal is proceeded with for the reasons outlined within the report.

7. FINANCIAL & OTHER IMPLICATIONS:

Financial Implications:

- 7.1 The revenue costs associated with the recommendations in this report will be met from existing Transport revenue budgets.

Capital costs associated to the creation of controlled parking schemes are funded by unsupported borrowing, with repayments made over a seven year period funded from the revenue income generated. Details of capital expenditure and potential income will be reported to Committee dependant on the outcome of the consultation.

Revenue income generated from on-street parking schemes is first defrayed against relevant costs, with any surplus used for qualifying transport and highways related expenditure such as support bus service, concessionary bus fares and Local Transport Plan projects.

Finance Officer Consulted: Steven Bedford

Date: 10/02/15

Legal Implications:

- 7.2 The Council's powers and duties under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 ("the Act") must be exercised to secure the expeditious, convenient and safe movement of all types of traffic including cyclists and pedestrians. As far as is practicable, the Council should have regard to any implications in relation to:- access to premises; the effect on amenities; the Council's air quality strategy; facilitating the passage of public services vehicles; securing the safety and convenience of users; any other matters that appear relevant to the Council.
- 7.3 The Council has to follow the rules on consultation set out by the government and the courts. The Council must ensure that the consultation process is carried out at a time when proposals are still at their formative stage, that sufficient reasons and adequate time must be given to allow intelligent consideration and responses and that results are properly taken into account in finalising the proposals.
- 7.4 After the proposals are advertised, the Council can, in the light of objections / representations received, decide to re-consult either widely or specifically when it believes that it would be appropriate before deciding the final composition of any associated orders. Where there are unresolved objections to the traffic orders, then the matter is required to return to Environment, Transport & Sustainability Committee for a decision.
- 7.5 There are no human rights implications to bring to members' attention.

Lawyer Consulted: Katie Matthews

Date: 09/02/2015

Equalities Implications:

- 7.6 The proposed measures will be of benefit to many road users.

Sustainability Implications:

- 7.7 Any motorcycle bays and the pedal cycle bays will encourage more sustainable methods of transport.

Any Other Significant Implications

- 7.8 Any legal disabled bays will provide parking for the holders of blue badges wanting to use the local facilities.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Appendices:

1. Appendix A – Consultation area

Documents in Members' Rooms

1. None

Background Documents

1. Transport Committee – 15th January 2013 – Agenda Item 53.
2. ETS Committee – 7th October 2014 – Agenda Item 32.