

Subject:	Victoria Road Parking Proposals		
Date of Meeting:	28th June 2016		
Report of:	Acting Executive Director of Environment, Economy & Culture		
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Ward(s) affected:	South Portslade		

GENERAL RELEASE**1. PURPOSE OF REPORT AND POLICY CONTEXT**

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide an update on the current situation for the additional parking restriction proposals in Victoria Road and seek permission to make the necessary traffic order as advertised.
- 1.2 The Traffic Order has been advertised due to the pending change of use of Portslade Town Hall. As part of the process the Members of the Committee are being asked to consider the objection made to the traffic order.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 2.1 Having taken into account the objection received the Committee agrees to make the Brighton & Hove Outer Areas (Waiting, Loading and Parking) and Cycle Lanes Consolidation Order 2013 Amendment No.X 201X as advertised.

3. CONTEXT/ BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 3.1 Due to the pending change of use of Portslade Town hall, local councillors raised concerns about the lack of parking provision in the local vicinity.
- 3.2 Discussions with Ward Councillors led to several site visits to the area to establish how parking provision could be increased and how that might best be achieved given the nature of Victoria Road as a haulage through route.
- 3.3 Following an investigation of the existing restrictions, officers concluded that the now redundant single yellow line restriction on the northern side of Victoria Road could be removed with some parking areas marked out to maximise the parking capacity.
- 3.4 To be able to achieve this, and following the advice of the Council's Road Safety team, it was necessary to include short lengths of double yellow lines on the north side and double yellow lines over the driveways on the southern side of Victoria Road to facilitate the transit of large vehicular traffic that regularly use this route (see Appendix A). The proposals underwent statutory consultation, as referred to in paragraph 5.1 below.

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.
- 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 The proposals were advertised on Friday 4th March 2016, allowing a period of 21 days for representations to be made. Notices were placed on street and the order was advertised in the local press.
- 5.2 Site visits have been undertaken with Ward Councillors and following discussions regarding the proposals they are supportive of the way forward.
- 5.3 This formal consultation produced one objection pertaining to double yellow lines being placed outside of driveways. The objection being specifically that the resident wanted to be able to park over the dropped kerb facilitating the driveway to their property.
- 5.4 The proposed double yellow lines across driveways are necessary to provide clear areas that vehicles can pull into to allow the transit of large vehicles along this stretch, and to keep the dropped kerbs clear of parked cars for this purpose and to ensure access.

6. CONCLUSION

- 6.1 It is recommended that the proposals are agreed as advertised. If the proposals are agreed implementation can be carried out in a timely manner.

7. FINANCIAL & OTHER IMPLICATIONS:

Financial Implications:

- 7.1 It is anticipated that the costs of implementing the recommendation of this report will be £2,000, which will be funded by receipts from the disposal of land at the Portslade Town Hall site.

Finance Officer Consulted: Steven Bedford

Date: 24/05/16

Legal Implications:

- 7.2 The Council regulates traffic by means of orders made under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984. The procedure for making such orders is contained in the Local Authorities' Traffic Orders (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulations 1996 which require public notice of proposed orders to be given and for the relevant documents to be placed on deposit for public inspection. Any person may object to the making of an order. Any unresolved objections to an order

must be considered by the Environment, Transport & Sustainability Committee before the order can be made.

- 7.3 It is not considered that any adverse human rights implications arise from the report.

Lawyer Consulted: Hilary Woodward

Date: 24/5/16

Equalities Implications:

- 7.4 No Equalities implications that are we are aware of.

Sustainability Implications:

- 7.5 No Sustainability implications that we are aware of.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Appendices:

1. Appendix A – Plan of Victoria Road proposals.

