

CABINET MEMBER FOR TRANSPORT- 10 FEBRUARY 2011

PROPOSED NEW DISABLED PERSONS' PARKING PLACE (DPPP) IN HART STREET, JERICHO

**Report by Deputy Director for Environment & Economy
Highways & Transport**

Introduction

1. This report considers a response to the proposed DPPP at the end of an existing permit holders parking bay in Hart Street.

Background

2. In November 2009, a request was received from the Oxfordshire Chinese Community & Advice Centre to investigate the possibility of a Disabled Persons' Parking Place (DPPP) for a disabled resident in the street. The disabled resident was wheelchair bound and her parents who drive her were elderly and had health problems as well.
3. A subsequent site meeting was held in January 2010 and it was agreed that the best location for the proposed DPPP was as shown in the plan (Annex 1).
4. This report considers the outcome of the formal consultation on the proposal.

Formal Consultation

5. The Directorate sent a copy of the draft Traffic Regulation Order, the Statement of Reasons and a copy of the Public Notice appearing in the local press, containing all the proposed DPPP changes in Oxford City, to formal Consultees (including local County Councillors) on 16 November, 2010. These documents, together with supporting documentation as required and plans were deposited for public inspection at County Hall. They were also available for inspection in the Members' Resource Centre.
6. Separately, the Directorate wrote to local residents who would be affected by the proposals, asking for their comments. In addition a public notice was displayed on site and in the Oxford Times.
7. Comments were received from one local resident near the proposed DPPP in Hart Street, Jericho who strongly objected to the proposal because it would reduce the amount of resident permit parking available in an area where parking for residents was already very limited and exacerbated by parents picking up and dropping off children at the adjacent primary school twice a day. The resident was also concerned that the DPPP would not be removed if

it was no longer required. A copy of the comments can be viewed in the Members' Resource Centre.

8. The resident was advised that although the proposal was as a result of an application by a disabled resident, under Department for Transport regulations any vehicle correctly displaying a Blue Badge would be entitled to park in it. Where parking is congested, disabled residents and those assisting them are disadvantaged more. Although OCC is not always advised when a DPPP is no longer required, the use of existing DPPPs are reviewed and, when no longer required, it is County Council policy to remove them (following statutory consultation).
9. Since receiving and responding to this comment a separate consultation has established that an existing DPPP in a different part of Hart Street is no longer required and this will be removed. This space will revert to permit holder parking.

How the Project supports LTP2 Objectives

10. The introduction of a new DPPP will help in delivering accessibility by enabling the family of the disabled person to park near to their home thus allowing the person access to a wider range of services.

Financial and Staff Implications (including Revenue)

11. The cost of the works is estimated to be approximately £350 (including advertising) and will be met from the existing revenue budget provided for this.

RECOMMENDATION

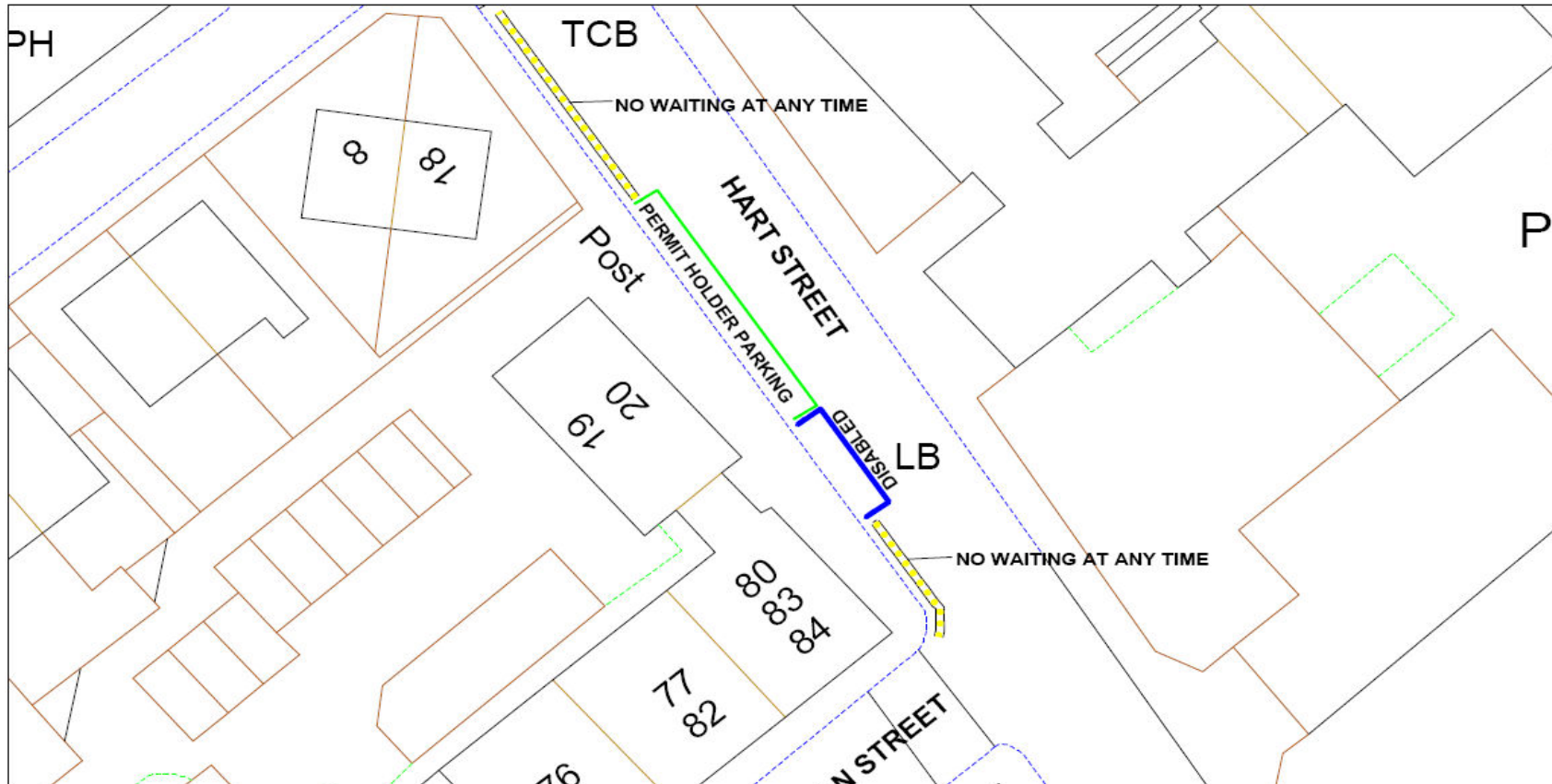
12. **The Cabinet Member for Transport is RECOMMENDED to authorise a variation to the Oxfordshire County Council (Disabled Persons' Parking Places - Oxford) Order 2010, to provide a new DPPP in Hart Street as shown on the plan annexed to this report.**

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Background papers: Consultation documentation

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