

## **CABINET MEMBER FOR ENVIRONMENT – 19 DECEMBER 2019**

### **OXFORD: SAMPHIRE ROAD – PROPOSED WAITING RESTRICTIONS AND DISABLED PERSONS PARKING PLACE**

**Report by the Interim Director for Community Operations**

#### **Recommendation**

1. The Cabinet Member for Environment is RECOMMENDED to approve proposed no waiting at any time restrictions and a disabled persons parking place at Samphire Road, Oxford as advertised.

#### **Executive summary**

2. Waiting restrictions are reviewed when there are changes to the road layout or usage as a result of development and when requested by the local member or local councils due to concerns over parking obstructing traffic and/or being detrimental to road safety.

#### **Introduction**

3. This report presents responses received to a statutory consultation to introduce and amend waiting restrictions and disabled persons parking places (DPPP) at Samphire Road, Oxford.

#### **Background**

4. The above proposals as shown at Annex 1 have been put forward as a result of an improvement scheme for the road funded by Oxford City Council, who own and manage most of the adjacent residential premises. The scheme will create 19 on-street and 17 off-street parking places but require removal of two existing on-street DPPPs. However, a new on-street DPPP is being created on the highway very close to the location of one of the bays being removed and similarly a DPPP is also being provided on each of the off-road parking areas at the west end of the road very close to the other bay being removed.

#### **Consultation**

5. Formal consultation on the proposal was carried out between 17 October and 15 November 2019. A public notice was placed in the Oxford Times newspaper and sent to statutory consultees, including Thames Valley Police, the Fire & Rescue Service, Ambulance service, Oxford City Council and the local County Councillor. Street notices were placed on site and letters sent to 39 properties in the immediate vicinity adjacent to the proposals.

6. Two objections were received from local residents as recorded at Annex 2. Copies of the full responses are available for inspection by County Councillors.
7. The objections – both from residents who hold disabled persons parking permits – were on the grounds that the proposals would reduce the amount of parking reserved for ‘blue badge’ holders noting that the demand for such places in the area was increasing. One response also citing concerns that the proposed double yellow line restrictions would not be respected by drivers.
8. In response to the above, the proposals – while reducing the number of on-street DPPP’s – also include two DPPP’s in the new off-street parking areas very close to the existing places and so there should, therefore, be no detrimental effect on existing blue badge holders and overall a net increase in DPPP provision. Requests for new on-street DPPP’s will be carefully assessed and accommodated where practical subject to statutory consultation.
9. The concerns on the lack of enforcement of waiting restrictions in the area will be referred to the parking enforcement contractor.

### **How the Project supports LTP4 Objectives**

10. The proposals would help facilitate the safe movement of traffic.

### **Financial and Staff Implications (including Revenue)**

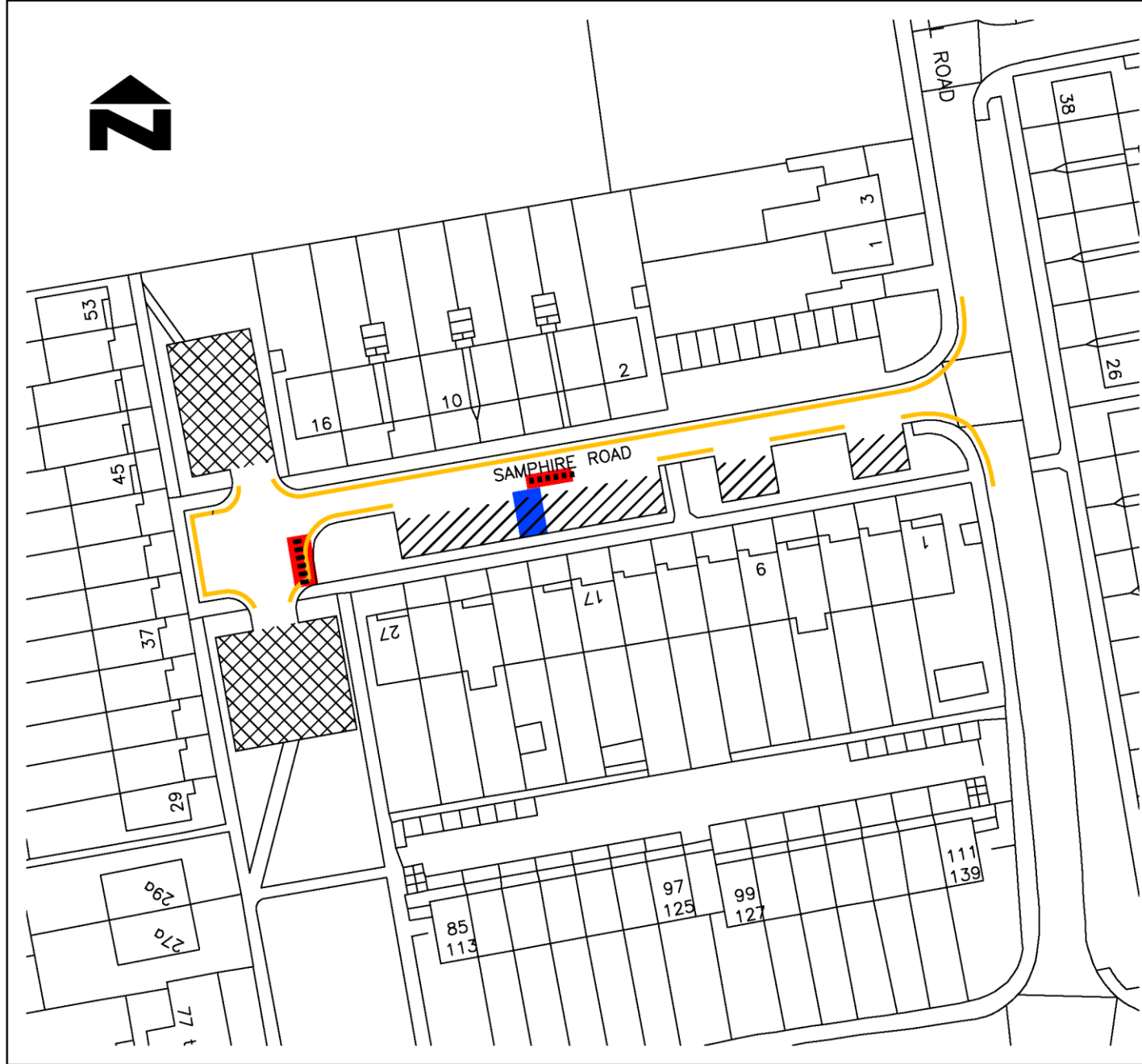
11. Funding for the proposed measures has been provided by Oxford City Council

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Background papers:           Plans of proposed waiting restrictions and disabled persons parking place  
  Consultation responses

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**Notes**

- Disabled Persons' Parking Place to be removed.
- Proposed Disabled Persons' Parking Place.
- Proposed No Waiting at Any Time
- New laybys to be constructed in highway verge
- New parking areas to be constructed off highway

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## Samphire Road Parking Area 2019

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### Removal & Relocation of Disabled Persons' Parking Places & Provision of No Waiting at Any Time controls

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RESPONDENT	SUMMARISED COMMENTS
(1) Local Resident, (Oxford)	<p><b>Object</b> – I live on Samphire Road and use the DPPP west of no 27. Another resident uses the disabled bay outside number 19 Samphire Road 24/7. Being disabled I use the disabled bay adjacent to 27 Samphire Rd as the council would not put one outside my door.</p> <p>There are something like 15 cars parked here in the cul-de-sac, at nights and weekends. Hence the new parking bays on the two greens. If I lose my DPPP I will have to park on the main Harebell Road outside Pegasus school, 400 metres from my front door. Even when the new parking layout comes to be made, my parking bay will be nearly 25 metres from my door, I believe outside number 45 or 47.</p> <p>The new DPPP parking bay west of 27 Samphire Rd, will be used by another resident, who is disabled and promised a bay, as he parks on Field Avenue at the moment.</p> <p>If I may suggest, one way to resolve this would be to put the DPPP outside 16 Samphire Road. Any yellow lines in Samphire Road will be ignored by residents, as they are so rude, they even park in the DPPP, block all the other residents in and refuse to move their cars.</p>
(2) Local Resident, (Oxford)	<p><b>Object</b> – I have some concerns regarding the proposal of restricted parking and where I am going to have to park my car. I have been a tenant on Samphire Road for many years and have always parked my car outside my home where the proposed restrictions are going to be put but am wondering where I am going to park my car in future.</p> <p>Also I am asking if you could put a blue badge holder parking bay outside 41 Samphire Road, I am stressing over where I am parking my vehicle because I have parked for many years either right outside my home or outside 39 and 37 Samphire Road.</p> <p>I am happy for the blue badge parking outside 19 Samphire Road because its safe parking for the resident right outside his home. I am asking if you can do the same outside my home also for blue badge parking.</p>

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