

Divisions: Grove and Wantage, Henley-on-Thames
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## **CABINET MEMBER FOR ENVIRONMENT– 27 MARCH 2014**

### **PROPOSED DISABLED PERSONS PARKING PLACES VALE OF WHITE HORSE AND SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE DISTRICTS**

**Report by Deputy Director for Environment & Economy (Commercial)**

#### **Introduction**

1. This report considers objections received as a result of a formal consultation on proposals to introduce one new Disabled Persons' Parking Places (DPPP) in the Vale of White Horse and remove three DPPPs no longer required in South Oxfordshire.

#### **Background**

2. The report considers the proposed provision of a new DPPP in Orchard Way, Wantage as a result of a request by a disabled badge holder for a parking place near their home; the proposed location is shown at Annex 1. Also the proposed removal of existing DPPP's which are no longer required in Harpsden Road, New Street, and Station Road in Henley (locations shown at Annex 2). This report considers the outcome of a formal consultation held on the proposals; other proposals advertised at the same time were unopposed and have therefore been dealt with under the Deputy Director's delegated authority to avoid unnecessary delays to applicants.

#### **Formal Consultation**

3. Oxfordshire County Council sent a copy of the draft Traffic Regulation Orders, statement of reasons, and a copy of the public notice appearing in the local press, containing all the proposed parking place changes to formal consultees on 12 December 2013. These documents, together with supporting documentation as required and plans of all the DPPP's, were deposited for public inspection at County Hall, South Oxfordshire, and Vale of White Horse District Council Offices. They were also deposited at Henley and Wantage libraries and are also available for inspection in the Members' Resource Centre. At the same time, the Council wrote to local residents affected by the proposed changes, asking for their comments. Finally, public notices were displayed at each site and in the Oxford Times.
4. One objection has been received in respect of the proposed DPPP in Orchard Way, Wantage. A nearby resident has stated that the road is narrow and if a DPPP is installed on other side of road nearby then they

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will have nowhere to park their car. In addition the applicant appears to be able to walk some distance.

5. In response, it is agreed that the road is narrow and parking generally only takes place on one side but it is on the side that the DPPP is proposed to be placed. On the question of eligibility, the applicant has a current blue badge and receives the higher rate Disability Allowance for mobility.
6. There have been no responses from residents to the proposed removal of spaces in Harpsden Road, New Street, and Station Road, Henley. However, the matter was to be discussed at a meeting of Henley-on-Thames Town Council. As the results of that meeting were not available at the time of writing they will be reported orally.

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

7. The cost of all the proposed work under consultation, including that described in this report, will be met from the fund set up for this purpose.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

12. **The Cabinet Member for Environment is RECOMMENDED to approve the proposed DPPP changes as set out in this report.**

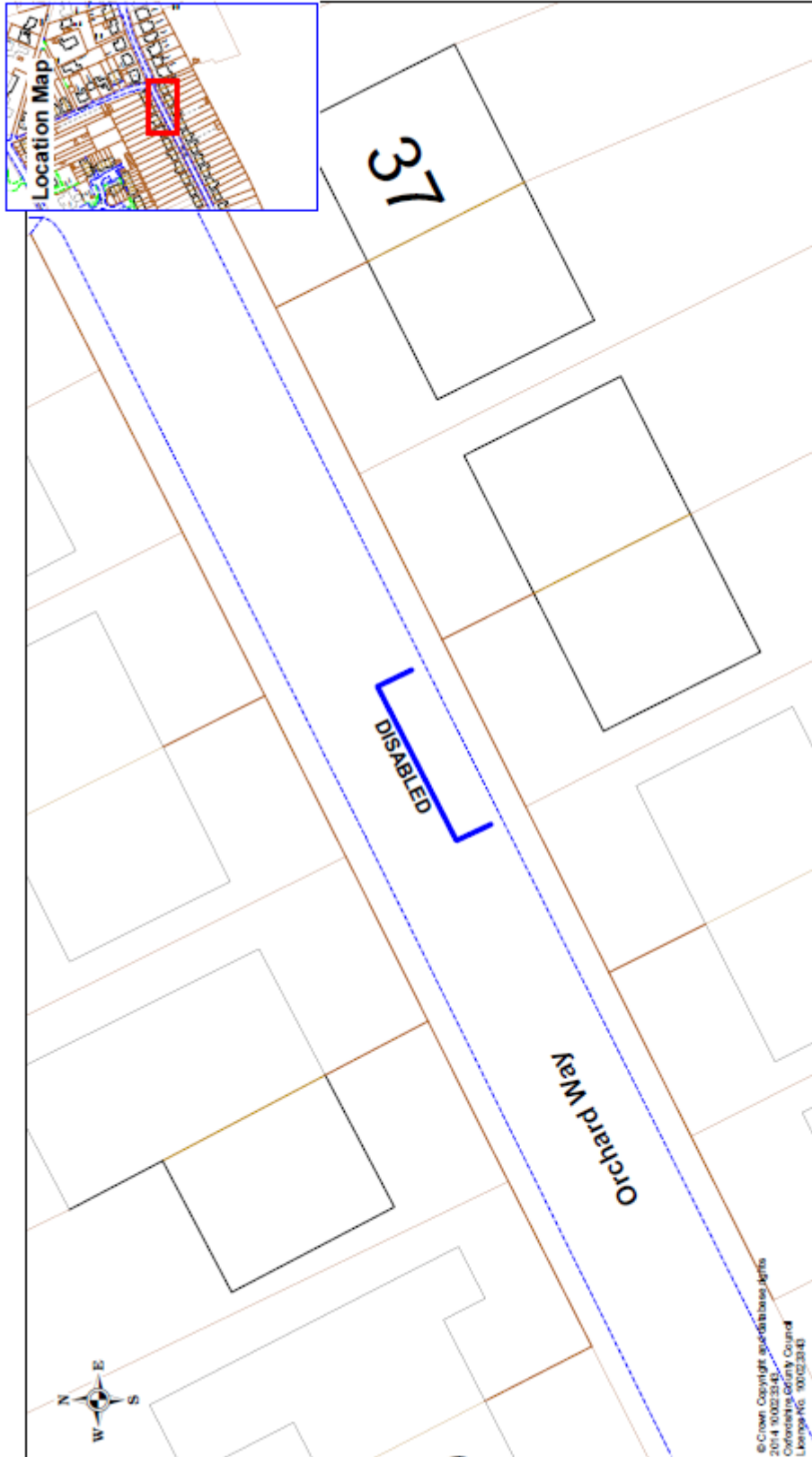
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Background papers: Consultation documentation

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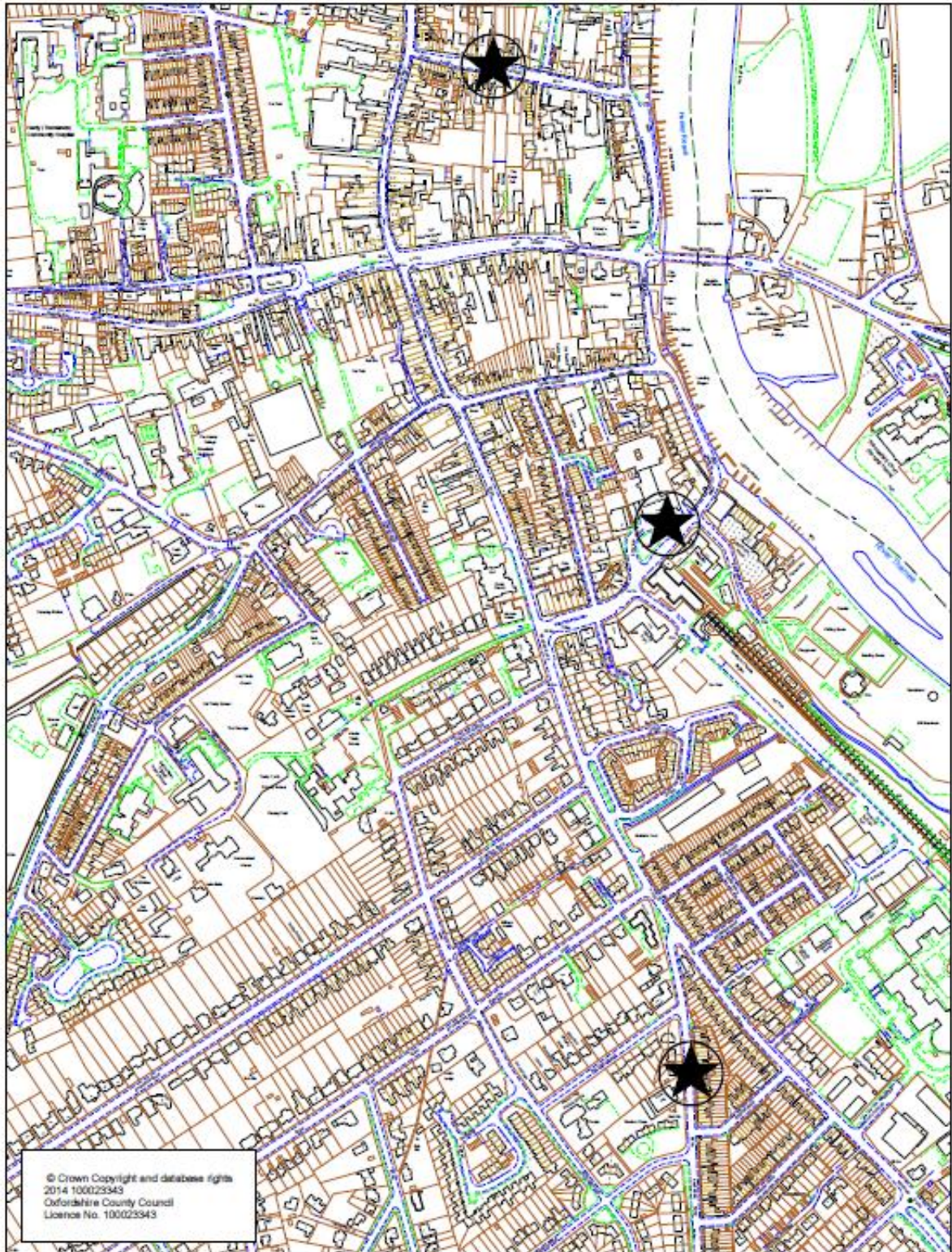
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