

CABINET MEMBER FOR ENVIRONMENT– 27 APRIL 2017

PROPOSED REMOVAL OF PERMIT HOLDERS BAYS IN COLLINS STREET, OXFORD

Report by Director for Infrastructure Delivery

Introduction

1. This report considers objections received as a result of a formal consultation on proposals to remove permit holders bays on the north side of Collins Street, Oxford and replace with double yellow lines.

Background

2. Planning permission has been granted for development of an apartment block with offices on the ground floor on the former Travis Perkins builders' merchants site in Collins Street. This included moving the vehicular access along the street which in turn requires removal of all or part of the permit holder bays outside the development on the north side of the street (see plan at Annex 1).

Formal Consultation

3. A copy of the draft Traffic Regulation Order, statement of reasons, and a copy of the public notice appearing in the local press, containing the proposed parking place changes were sent to formal consultees on 26 January 2017. These documents, together with supporting documentation and a plan, were deposited for public inspection at County Hall and at the local library. At the same time, the Council wrote to occupants of properties who might be affected by the proposals, seeking their views on the changes.
4. One business in Collins Street, the proprietor of which is a permit holder, objected to the proposals. He is unhappy that the parking bay is being removed because the vehicular access has been changed as part of the planning permission – had the original access been kept then all the parking could have been retained. The situation is exacerbated by the temporary loss of the shared-use bay on the south side due to the needs of construction.
5. The developer advises that they need the permanent removal of the permit holders only bays on the north side to prevent their new vehicular access at Wavy Gate from being blocked, as it is required for their maintenance contractors, deliveries, and Emergency Services. Further, this is the only

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access registered with OFSTED for the student boarding accommodation to the rear.

6. Having carefully considered the points made by the objector and the developer, and recognising that there is no other permit holders only parking in this part of the street, it is suggested that the proposals proceed, but with a single permit holders only space retained to the east of the Wavy Gate entrance.

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 by the developer.

RECOMMENDATION

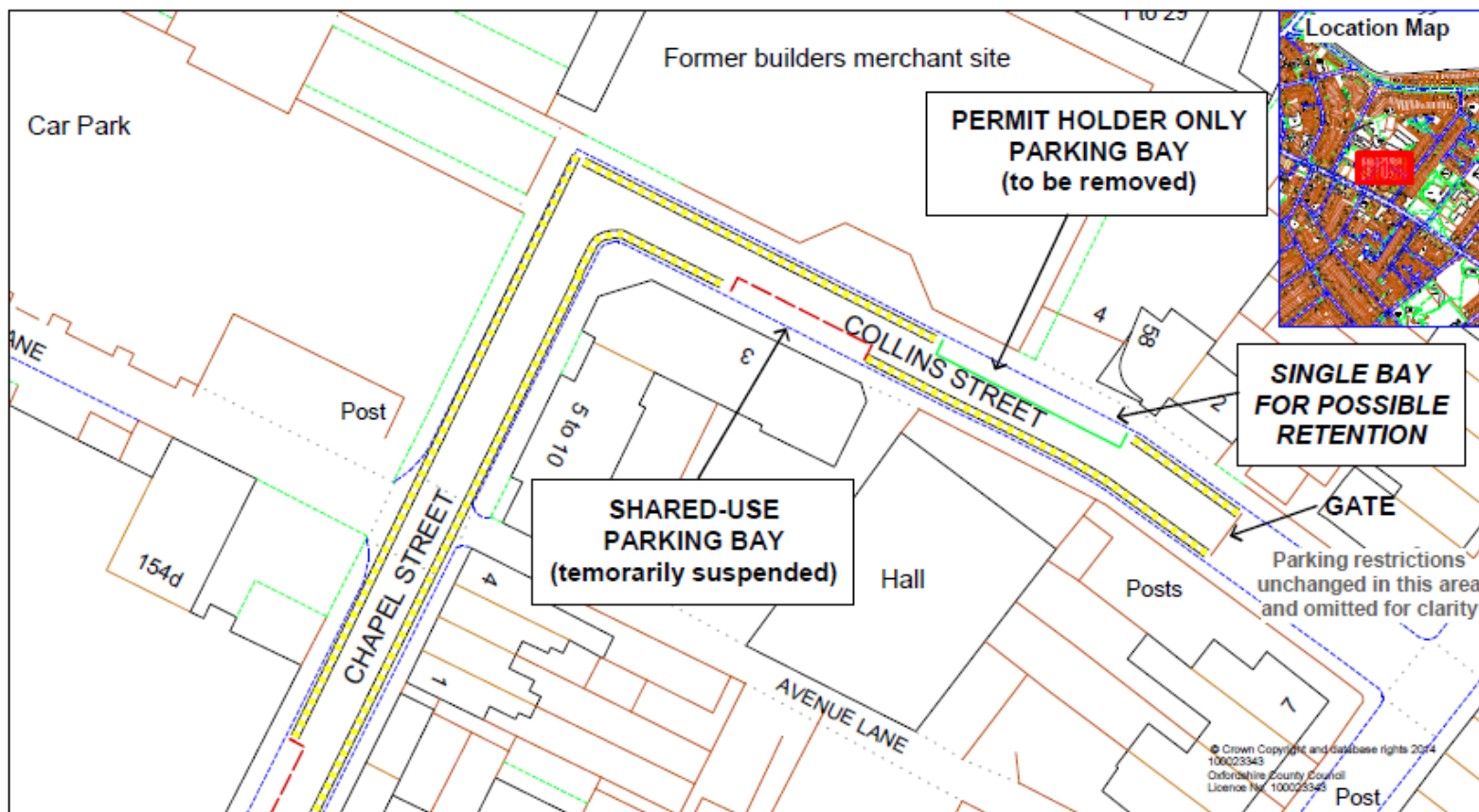
8. **The Cabinet Member for Environment is RECOMMENDED to approve the proposed changes, amended as set out in the report**


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Background papers: Plan of proposed restrictions
 Consultation responses

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