CABINET MEMBER FOR TRANSPORT – 2 SEPTEMBER 2010

MARSTON SOUTH CPZ, OXFORD PROPOSED CHANGES TO PARKING

Report by Head of Highways & Transport

Introduction

1. This report considers comments received to a formal advertisement and statutory consultation to vary the Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) for the Marston South Controlled Parking Zone (CPZ) in Oxford to amend parking arrangements in a number of streets in response to requests from local members, local residents and Oxfordshire Fire & Rescue.

Background

2. Since the last minor review of the Marston South CPZ in mid-2009 there have been requests for amendments to prevent a number of access ways being obstructed by parked vehicles. Additionally Oxfordshire Fire & Rescue have asked that the newly installed fire hydrants in William Street be protected with no waiting at any time.

Public Consultation

- 3. As the proposals were straight forward and likely to have only a limited effect on parking capacity, a general informal consultation was felt unnecessary. However, where no waiting at any time was proposed adjacent to existing informal access protection lines, neighbouring residents were offered the choice of extending the proposals to similarly protect their access. Only one reply, from the resident of 20 Weldon Road, asked to take up this offer and this was incorporated into the formal proposals which were consulted on between 1 and 30 July 2010.
- 4. Annex 1 describes the proposed changes. Letters and plans were sent to properties in the vicinity of the proposed changes and to all premises in William Street. Notices explaining the proposals were placed on site and in the local newspaper. Information was also sent to local Councillors and the emergency services. A copy of the public notice is attached at Annex 2 and the full legal documents, which were placed on deposit at Old Marston Library and at County Hall, are available for inspection in the Members' Resource Centre.
- 5. Two e-mails were received in response to the advertised proposals. One was from a resident of Bishops Court, John Garne Way, who sought to clarify the amount of parking place to be replaced with no waiting at any time. The other was from the resident of 15 William Street, taking up the offer to replace their

informal access protection with no waiting at any time. This added protection can be achieved by extending the proposed fire hydrant protection across the access. Letters and a modified plan showing the additional no waiting being proposed were sent to properties in the immediate vicinity; this too is available for inspection in the Members' Resource Centre. Any responses received to this minor amendment will be reported orally at the meeting.

Conclusions

6. Subject to any late comments regarding 15 William Street which will be reported orally at the meeting, there have been no unresolved comments or objections to the proposals.

How the Project Supports LTP2 Objectives

7. The proposals described in this report comply with the LTP2 objectives of Tackling Congestion (encouraging development that minimises congestion) and improving the Street Environment (better management of parking).

Financial Implications (including Revenue)

8. Funding for the costs of implementing the proposals described in this report, estimated to be around £2000 (including advertising) will be met from existing budgets.

RECOMMENDATION

- 9. The Cabinet Member for Transport is RECOMMENDED to:
 - (a) approve the making of the proposed changes to the Marston South CPZ as advertised but with the addition of no waiting at any time to protect the access to number 15 William Street, as described in the report;
 - (b) authorise the Head of Highways & Transport to agree any further non-substantial variations he considers appropriate subject to him consulting the Cabinet Member for Transport on any material variation and undertaking any further consultation which he may consider appropriate.

STEVE HOWELL Head of Highways and Transport Environment & Economy

Background papers:	Copies of all the letters are available in the Members'
	Resource room.
Contact Officer:	Stephen Axtell Tel 01865 815967

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ANNEX 1

MARSTON SOUTH CPZ

DESCRIPTION OF EFFECT OF PROPOSED CHANGES

HEATHER PLACE

No waiting Mon-Fri 8am-6.30pm to be replaced with no waiting at any time across the access to 17 Heather Place, to prevent it from being obstructed.

JOHN GARNE WAY

2 hour parking (where permit holders are exempt from the time limit) opposite the access to Bishops Court to be replaced with no waiting at any time to allow free movement in and out of the access thus preventing its obstruction.

LYNN CLOSE

Permit Holders Only Parking opposite the access to the rear of 312 Marston Road to be replaced with no waiting at any time to allow free movement in and out of the access thus preventing obstruction.

WELDON ROAD,

Permit holders only parking to be replaced with no waiting at any time across the access ways to 18 and 20 Weldon Road, to prevent the access ways from being obstructed.

WILLIAM STREET

Permit holders only parking to be replaced with no waiting at any time across the access to 9 William Street, to prevent it from being obstructed.

Two metres of permit holders only footway parking to be replaced with no waiting at any time centred on each fire hydrant outside 13 and 51a William Street, to prevent vehicles parking over them.



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OXFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (MARSTON SOUTH) (CONTROLLED PARKING ZONE AND WAITING RESTRICTIONS) (VARIATION No.3) ORDER 20**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Oxfordshire County Council proposes to make the above mentioned Order under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 and all other enabling powers.

The effect of the Order will be to amend the Oxfordshire County Council (Marston South) (Controlled Parking Zone and Waiting Restrictions) Order 2007, effectively replacing Schedules 2, 3 and 4.

The proposal makes adjustments to parking and waiting restrictions in various roads as follows:

William Street To introduce lengths of `No Waiting at Any Time`

1) to prevent vehicles obstructing two new fire hydrants. This will replace short lengths of `Permit Holders Only Footway Parking` and `2 hour Footway Parking where permit holders are exempt from the time limit`.

2) to prevent vehicles obstructing an access way to No.9 William Street - replacing some Permit Holders Only Footway Parking.

Weldon Road The provision of `No Waiting at Any Time` to prevent vehicles obstructing two access ways outside Nos.18 & 20 Weldon Road - replacing some Permit Holders Only Parking.

John Garne Way To replace some `2 hour Footway Parking where permit holders are exempt from the time limit opposite Bishop's Court with `No Waiting at Any Time` to stop vehicles from preventing access to Bishop's Court.

Lynn Close To replace some Permit Holders Only Parking opposite No.312 Marston Road with `No Waiting at Any Time` to stop vehicles from preventing access to No 312 Marston Road.

Heather Place To provide No Waiting at Any Time outside No.17 to prevent vehicles obstructing a vehicle access way - replacing `No Waiting Monday to Friday 8.00am-6.30pm`, and to reword descriptions of `Permit Holders Only Parking` to correct clerical errors.

Documents giving more detailed particulars of the Order are available for public inspection at County Hall, New Road, Oxford OX1 1ND from 9am to 4.30 pm Monday to Friday; at Old Marston Library, Mortimer Hall, Oxford Road, Old Marston, Oxford OX3 0PH from 2pm to 5pm Tuesday, 5.30pm to 7pm Thursday, 10am to 12pm & 2pm to 5pm Friday and 9.30am to 12.30pm Saturday; and at Headington Library, Bury Knowle Park, North Place, Headington OX3 9HY from 9.15am to 1pm Monday & Wednesday; 9.15am to 7pm Tuesday & Thursday; 9.15am to 6pm Friday; and 9.15am to 4.40pm Saturday.

Objections to the proposals, specifying the grounds on which they are made, and any other representations, should be sent in writing to the Director for Environment and Economy (ref. SMA/TRO) at the address given below, no later than the 30th July 2010. The County Council will consider objections and representations received in response to this Notice. They may be disseminated widely for these purposes and made available to the public.

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