CABINET MEMBER FOR ENVIRONMENT – 7 SEPTEMBER 2017 PROPOSED WAITING RESTRICTIONS KING JAMES WAY HENLEY

Report by Director for Infrastructure Delivery

Introduction

1. This report presents responses received in the course of a statutory consultation to introduce waiting restrictions on King James Way at Henley.

Background

2. Due to development on the east side of King James Way, Henley, the waiting restrictions as shown at Annex 1 have been proposed with the full costs of the scheme, if approved, met by the developers.

Consultation

- 3. The formal consultation on the proposal was carried out between 14 July and 11 August 2017. A public notice was placed in the Henley Standard newspaper, and sent to statutory consultees, including Thames Valley Police, the Fire & Rescue Service, Ambulance service, Henley in Thames Town Council and the local County Councillor. Letters were also sent to approximately 30 properties in the immediate vicinity.
- 4. Four responses were received. These are summarised in Annex 2. Copies of the full responses are available for inspection in the Members' Resource Centre.
- 5. Thames Valley Police expressed no objection to the proposal, but also noted that enforcement of the restriction should it be approved would be a low priority.
- 6. Henley Town Council similarly expressed no objection but requested that waiting restrictions are also introduced on the west side of the road to prevent parking opposite the new junction causing obstruction to vision for residents exiting driveways opposite the access road and to ensure adequate access to the unnamed access road for large vehicles.
- 7. An objection from a resident of an adjacent road raised the same concerns as expressed by Henley Town Council.

8. A response from a resident of an adjacent road expressed no objection to the proposal but queried the value of introducing further restrictions when existing waiting restrictions in the area were not enforced.

Response to objections and concerns

- 9. The response of Thames Valley Police is noted and also taking account of the response of the resident noting the absence of enforcement of the existing waiting restrictions in the area it is accepted that police resources for enforcement are under severe pressure. However, such restrictions are nevertheless respected by many drivers and therefore do still help deter hazardous or obstructive parking.
- 10. In respect of the concerns raised by Henley Town Council and the member of the public objecting to the proposal, should it be approved, parking in this area will be monitored to establish whether further restrictions are needed.

How the Project supports LTP4 Objectives

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

Financial and Staff Implications (including Revenue)

12. The full costs of the proposed waiting restrictions will be met by the developer.

RECOMMENDATION

13. The Cabinet Member for Environment is RECOMMENDED to approve the proposals as advertised

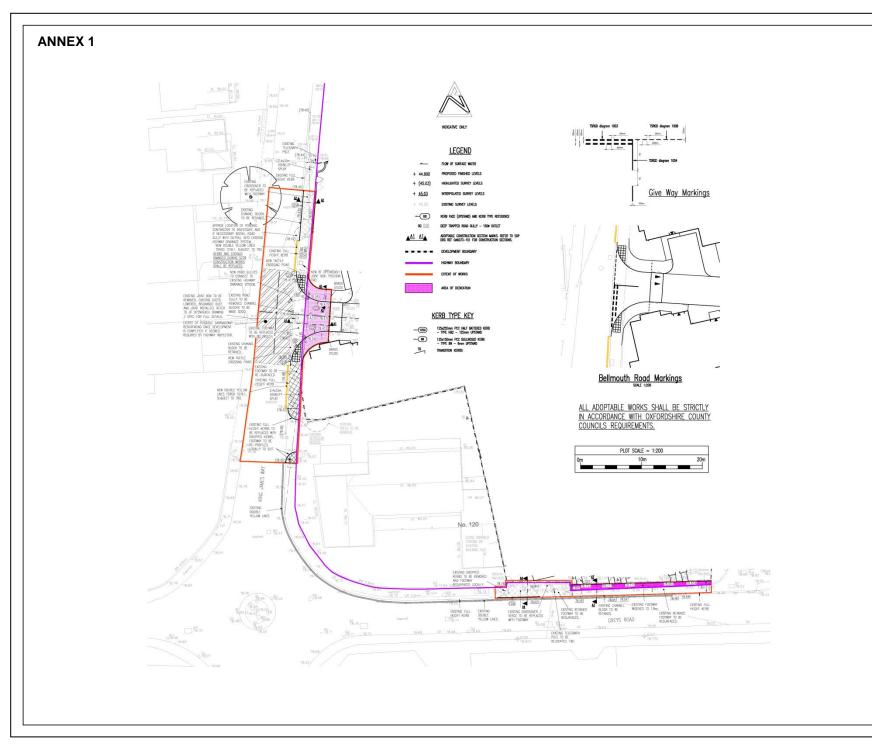
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Background papers: Plan of proposed restrictions

Consultation responses

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ANNEX 2

RESPONDENT	SUMMARISED COMMENTS
(1) Thames Valley Police	No objection - Please be aware such restrictions feature very low in terms of any enforcement activity by Thames Valley Police and should be reliant on good driver compliance
(2) Henley Town Council	In addition to the proposed double yellow lines, Henley Town Council request further double yellow lines on King James Way opposite the as yet unnamed access road (into a development on the east side) from a point on the west side approximately 18m north and 16m south (of the centre line of the junction). This is to prevent parking opposite the new junction causing obstruction to vision for residents exiting driveways opposite the access road and to ensure adequate access to the unnamed access road for large vehicles.
(3) Local Resident, (Greys Road, Henley-on- Thames)	Object - It is not clear from the information presented whether the double yellow lines will be on both sides of King James Way or just the side with the new junction. I have seen a diagram that implies the lines are both sides but in the description I can only see specific reference to either side of the new junction, not both sides of King James Way. The double yellow lines must be on both the East and West sides of King James way or cars will simply switch from parking on the East to the West, creating the same bottleneck and new obstructions to the driveways of 140, 138 and the electrical substation. We have always supported the new housing development which is directly opposite our house and driveway but our safety and that of the top of King James Way will be negatively affected unless the double yellow parking restrictions are applied fairly to both side of King James Way.
(4) Local Resident, (Greys Road, Henley-on- Thames)	No objection – would just like to point out that around the car park and corner of Greys Road, King James Way and the corner shops, yellow lines already exist and no traffic warden/police action is ever taken. So in spite of adding more yellow lines along this section of the road who will ever enforce them?