Divisions affected: Jericho and Osney

#### CABINET MEMBER FOR HIGHWAY MANAGEMENT – 25 MAY 2023

# OXFORD: NORTH STREET (OSNEY) – PROPOSED PARKING BAY & PERMIT ELIGIBILITY AMENDMENTS

Report by Corporate Director, Environment and Place

#### RECOMMENDATION

- 1. The Cabinet Member for the Highway Management is RECOMMENDED to approve the following proposals as advertised:
  - a. the relocation of a residents parking place and associated amendments to no waiting at any time restrictions at North Street, and
  - b. exclude the new dwellings at No.1 North Street from eligibility for resident's parking permits and residents' visitors' parking permits.

#### **Executive summary**

2. The proposal to amend a resident parking place and associated changes to waiting restrictions as shown in **Annex 1** have been put forward by the developer of adjacent land .

## **Financial Implications**

3. Funding for consultation on the proposals and their implementation if approved has been provided by the developer of adjacent land.

## **Equality and Inclusion Implications**

4. No implications in respect of equalities or inclusion have been identified in respect of the proposals.

## **Sustainability Implications**

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

#### Formal consultation

- 6. The Formal consultation was carried out 06 April and 05 May 2023. A notice was published in the Oxford Times newspaper, and an email sent to statutory consultees, including Thames Valley Police, the Fire & Rescue Service, Ambulance service, local bus operators, countywide transport, access & disabled peoples user groups, Oxford City Council, the local City Cllrs, and the County Councillor representing the Jericho and Osney division.
- 7. Letters were also sent directly to approximately 70 adjacent premises in the immediate vicinity of the proposals.
- 8. 13 responses were received during the formal consultation, with 11 received via the online consultation survey, and these are summarised in the table below:

Proposal	Support	Object	Concerns	No objection or opinion	Total
Parking bay amendments	-	3	2	3	8
Permit eligibility	3	5	3	-	11

- 9. Additionally, a further two responses were received via email, with Thames Valley Police raising no objection, and Oxfordshire Unlimited (a group for people with physical & sensory disabilities) raising concerns.
- 10. The responses are shown in full at **Annex 2**, and copies of the original submissions are available for inspection by County Councillors.

## Officer response to objections/concerns

- 11. Thames Valley Police expressed no objection.
- 12. Oxfordshire Unlimited, a local group representing people with mobility impairments, expressed a concern that future residents of the development for which permit eligibility is proposed to be removed would still be eligible to apply for a Disabled Persons Parking Place should their circumstances require one. Subject to the wider conditions of occupancy of the development as imposed by planning consent etc. that are not within the control of the County Council, it is confirmed that any such resident would be able to apply for a DPPP.
- 13. Five objections and three expressions of concern were received from members of the public to one or both parts of the proposal although noting none of these were from a resident in the Osney area. It is confirmed that there is no net loss in parking places, and also that the proposed removal of permit eligibility of the development site is a planning condition and that potential occupiers of this development should be aware of their lack of permit eligibility ahead of making a decision on whether to live at the individual properties comprising the development.

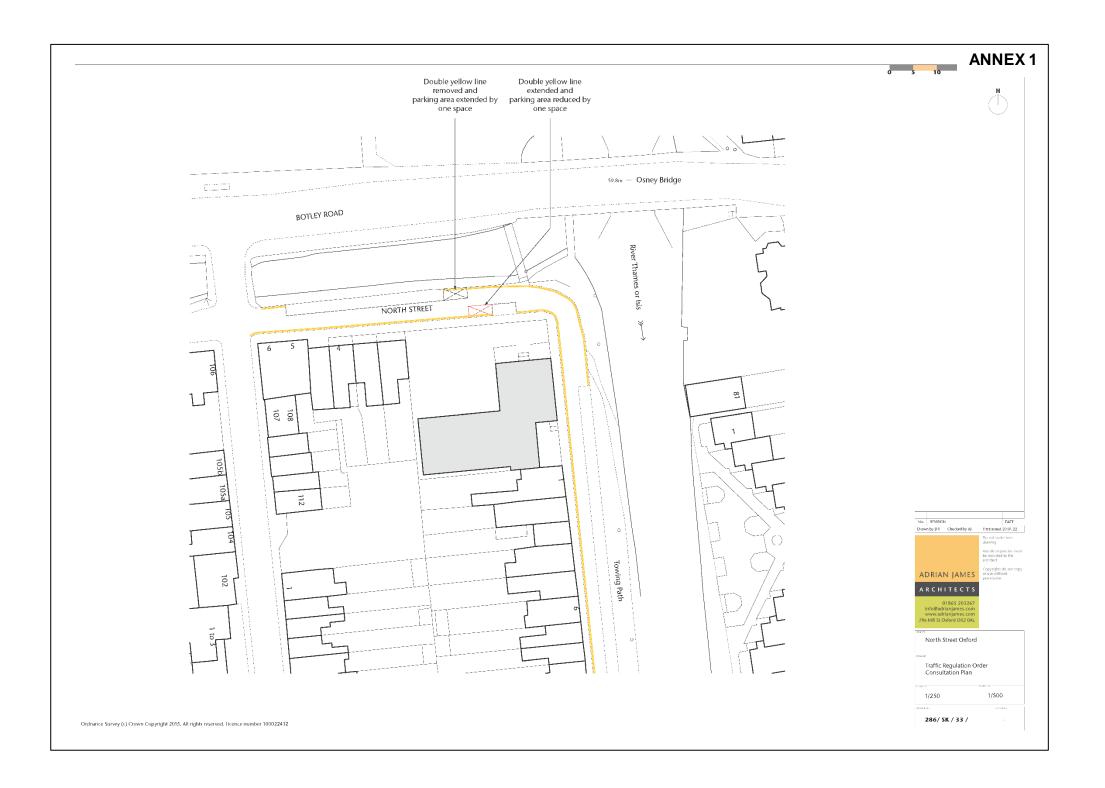
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Annexes Annex 1 Consultation Plan

Annex 2: Consultation responses

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RESPONDENT	COMMENTS
(1) Traffic Management Officer, (Thames Valley Police)	No objection
(2) Local organisation, (Oxfordshire Unlimited)	Concerns – I understand that the County Council might require Oxford City Council, when granting planning permission for some new residential developments, to stipulate that car-ownership among residents is to be discouraged. That is understandable when, for example in Bladon Close, North Summertown, a single house is replaced by five flats.  For such developments, off-street parking may be limited, and it may become congested and unusable by a resident blue-badge holder.  The non-eligibility of residents of certain dwellings must not cause the County Council to refuse to provide an onstreet DPPP, if applied for by a blue-badge holder who is a resident of one of those dwellings.
(3) Local Resident, (Oxford, Sunningwell Road)	Parking bay amendments - <b>Object</b> It's important that residents are still able to park by their homes.  Permit eligibility - <b>Object</b> This affects a good friend of mine who already lives and works in Oxford who relies on driving to do an important job.
(4) Local Resident, (Oxford, Little Clarendon Street)	Parking bay amendments - <b>Object</b> People must be allowed parking where they live.  Permit eligibility - <b>Object</b> New homes must allow the new residents to be able to park vehicles as they need.
(5) Member of public,	

(London , Hoxton Street)	Parking bay amendments - <b>Object</b> No comments.  Permit eligibility - <b>Object</b> Visiting and supporting the mental health of my family and friends living in these streets will be considerably more difficult and costly.
(6) Local Resident, (Oxford, Cowley)	Parking bay amendments - Concerns No comments.  Permit eligibility - Object Some people needs their car for commuting to work. Some people have friends or family who visit them from outside of the city and use a car to travel long distances.
(7) Local Resident, (Oxford, Barn Road)	Parking bay amendments - Concerns I am not a resident but my I am concerned if this will restrict resident to vital services Permit eligibility - Concerns No comments.
(8) Local Resident, (Oxford, Barns Road)	Permit eligibility - <b>Object</b> Even if you live car free in a flat, I feel it is only fair to be able to allow service people and occasional visitors to park nearby. It is almost impossible to live in a flat in East Oxford with absolutely no parking provision - and this is coming from someone who does not own a car and cycles everywhere.
(9) Local Resident, (Oxford, Cutteslowe)	Permit eligibility - Concerns No comments.
(10) Member of public, (West Hanney, Wantage, School Road)	Permit eligibility - Concerns key workers who need their cars for work live at some of these addresses. when they moved to Oxford, they

	bought/rented on understanding they could park. it is unfair to take this away. If these key workers can't work in Oxford, they will be forced to move out of the area.
(11) Local Resident, (Oxford, Marston Street)	Permit eligibility - <b>Support</b> I feel there are already too many cars in these areas. I live in East Oxford and I work in Jericho. Walking around is more pleasant with fewer parked cars.
(12) Local Resident, (Oxford, Bullingdon)	Permit eligibility - Support Sensible limits
(13) Local Resident, (Oxford, Botley Road)	Permit eligibility - Support support for restrictions on parking