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**To: COUNCILLOR JOHN RILEY
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c.c. All Members of the Public Safety & Transport
Select Committee

c.c. Perry Scott - Infrastructure, Transport and
Building Services

c.c. Kevin Urquhart – Infrastructure, Transport and
Building Services

c.c. Ward Councillors for Cavendish

c.c. Conservative and Labour Group Offices
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Date: 24 January 24

Non-Key Decision request

Form D

Objection To The Proposed Amendments Outside No. 31 Sunningdale Avenue, Eastcote To Accommodate A Vehicle Crossover Extension

Dear Cabinet Member

Attached is a report requesting that a decision be made by you as an individual Cabinet Member. Democratic Services confirm that this is not a key decision, as such the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 notice period does not apply.

You should take a decision **on or after Tuesday 01 February 2022** in order to meet Constitutional requirements about publication of decisions that are to be made. You may wish to discuss the report with the Corporate Director before it is made. Please indicate your decision on the duplicate memo supplied, and return it to me when you have made your decision. I will then arrange for the formal notice of decision to be published.

Neil Fraser

Democratic Services Officerf

Title of Report: Objection To The Proposed Amendments Outside No. 31 Sunningdale Avenue, Eastcote To Accommodate A Vehicle Crossover Extension

Decision made:

Reasons for your decision: (e.g. as stated in report)

Alternatives considered and rejected: (e.g. as stated in report)

SignedDate.....

Cabinet Member for Public Safety & Transport

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Cabinet Member(s)	Councillor John Riley
Cabinet Portfolio(s)	Cabinet Member for Public Safety and Transport
Officer Contact(s)	Kevin Urquhart, Infrastructure, Transport and Building Services
Papers with report	Appendix A – Plan showing the proposed amendments outside No. 31 Sunningdale Avenue, Eastcote

HEADLINES

Summary	To inform the Cabinet Member that an objection has been received to proposed amendments outside No. 31 Sunningdale Avenue, Eastcote to accommodate a vehicle crossing extension.
Putting our Residents First	This report supports the Council objective of Our People. The objection to the consultation will be considered in relation to the Council's strategy for parking in residential areas.
Financial Cost	The estimated cost associated with the recommendation to this report is £1,000 and will be managed within existing Highways revenue budgets.
Relevant Select Committee	Public Safety and Transport Select Committee
Relevant Ward	Cavendish

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Cabinet Member for Public Safety and Transport:

1. notes the objection received during the statutory consultation for the proposed removal of a section of permit holder parking place outside No. 31 Sunningdale Avenue, Eastcote; and
2. following advice from the Council's Highways Delivery Manager, approves the section of parking place outside No. 31 Sunningdale Avenue, Eastcote to be removed and replaced with sections of 'Monday to Saturday 9am to 5pm' waiting restrictions as proposed and indicated on Appendix A.

Reasons for recommendations

To allow clear vehicular access to a planned vehicle crossing extension being constructed outside No. 31 Sunningdale Avenue, Eastcote.

Alternative options considered / risk management

None at this stage.

Select Committee comments

None at this stage.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

1. The Council's Highways Team received a request for extension to the existing vehicle crossing to be constructed outside No. 31 Sunningdale Avenue, Eastcote. This request was approved in principle by the Highways Team but prior to work commencing on the construction of this vehicle crossing extension, a section of Zone E2 (Eastcote) permit holder parking place would need to be removed from directly outside where the vehicle crossing extension was planned in order to ensure unimpeded access and egress to extended off-street parking facility.

2. Following the above, statutory consultation was carried out on the amendments to facilitate the installation of this vehicle crossing extension. During this period, street notices were erected, and public notices were placed in the London Gazette and a local newspaper. Additionally, the Council wrote to the residential properties abutting the section of road where the changes are proposed.

3. It was proposed that a section of parking place would be removed and replaced with a 'Monday to Saturday 9am to 5pm' waiting restriction to prevent other drivers from causing an obstruction once the vehicle crossing extension had been constructed. Attached as Appendix A to this report is a plan of the proposals.

4. During the consultation period, the Council received an objection from a resident living nearby along that section of Sunningdale Avenue. The main concern of this resident was the resulting loss of parking space. The current parking place outside Nos. 29 and 31 Sunningdale Avenue could possibly accommodate two vehicles if vehicles park carefully within the extent of the bay markings. The resident is objecting to these changes as they are concerned that this arrangement could no longer take place if the proposed changes were to progress.

5. As mentioned above, although this parking place is currently capable of providing parking for two average length cars, the Council is also in the process of shortening the other end of the same parking place to accommodate a further vehicle crossing extension outside No. 29 Sunningdale Avenue. These amendments were recently approved by the Cabinet Member within a separate report along with amendments outside Nos. 13, 23 and 27 Sunningdale Avenue, however these changes have yet to be implemented on the ground. As a result, the length of the parking place outside Nos. 29 and 31 will eventually be shortened at both ends. However, enough

space will remain to accommodate space for one vehicle within the remaining parking place between the two new vehicle crossing extensions.

6. The Council's Highways Policy for new crossover applications states that crossovers will not be permitted where they would result in the loss of more than one space in residents' parking places in a Parking Management Scheme. In this instance the proposed vehicle crossing extension along with the previously approved changes outside No. 29 Sunningdale Avenue, will result in the overall loss of one parking place.

7. Following further investigation, officers have been unable to identify another location nearby where it would be possible to consider the installation of an additional permit holder parking place to offset the loss of parking as a result of these changes.

8. Another concern raised by the objector was with regards to the parents of children attending nearby Newnham Junior School. The resident has alleged that parents are regularly parking across driveways and these changes will only exacerbate the situation. In response, residents' driveways are currently protected by single yellow lines operational 'Monday to Saturday 9am to 5pm'. As a result, any vehicles parking here during the restricted hours are liable to receive a penalty charge notice. In addition, the Council also has the powers to carry out enforcement against vehicles causing an obstruction to residents' driveways outside of the parking scheme operation times. Residents can register for this service and if any unauthorised vehicles park across their access, then the Council's Civil Enforcement contractor can attend and carry out the appropriate enforcement against vehicles causing an obstruction.

9. The Cabinet Member will be aware that the public have a legal right to safely gain access to their property from the highway. When determining an application for a new vehicle crossing extension, Section 184 of the Highways Act gives guidance to Highway Authorities in so much as they are only able to ensure that, so far as is practicable, there is safe access to and egress from the premises and there is a need to facilitate so far as practicable the passage of vehicular traffic in highways. The Highways Authority should also take into consideration any physical obstruction preventing the installation. In this case the Council's Highways officers have assessed the points above and have identified no legal basis to reject the application and therefore propose to proceed with the installation of this vehicle crossing extension.

10. The removal of the section of parking place outside No. 31 Sunningdale Avenue, Eastcote will result in the potential loss of an on-street parking space. It appears that the new driveway areas being constructed will accommodate additional off-street parking which will help off-set the loss of on-street parking. It is, therefore, recommended to proceed with the changes to the parking outside No. 31 Sunningdale Avenue as proposed and indicated on Appendix A.

Financial Implications

The estimated cost associated with the recommendation to this report is £1,000 and will be managed within existing Highways revenue budgets.

RESIDENT BENEFIT & CONSULTATION

The benefit or impact upon Hillingdon residents, service users and communities?

The recommendation will provide clear access to a new vehicle crossing extension being constructed outside No. 31 Sunningdale Avenue. Although this will result in the loss of some on-street parking, the off-street parking area being extended appears to be able to accommodate additional parking.

Consultation carried out or required

Statutory consultation was carried out between 8 December 2021 and 5 January 2022 by the insertion of public notices in a local newspaper, the London Gazette and displayed on site. Additionally, the Council wrote to the residential properties abutting the section of road where the changes are proposed.

No further consultation is required, however, a final notice of making will be required if the Cabinet Member decides to approve the recommendations of this report.

CORPORATE CONSIDERATIONS

Corporate Finance

Corporate Finance has reviewed the recommendations to this report and concurs with the financial implications as set out above.

Legal

The Council's power to make orders relating to parking places is set out in Part IV of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.

If the recommendation is implemented, this report indicates that a section of permit holder parking place will be removed and additional waiting restrictions will be imposed on the road. The Council's power to make orders imposing waiting restrictions is set out in Part 1 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984. The consultation and order making statutory procedures to be followed in this case are set out in The Local Authorities' Traffic Orders (Procedures) (England and Wales) Regulations 1996 (SI 1996/2489).

Section 122 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 requires the Council to balance the concerns of the objector with the statutory duty to secure the expeditious, convenient and safe movement of vehicular and other traffic.

Availability of off-street parking and safe access to the driveway identified in this report are relevant considerations in deciding whether to make this form of order. In considering the consultation responses, decision makers must ensure there is a full consideration of all representations arising including those which do not accord with the officer's recommendation.

The decision maker must be satisfied that responses from the public were conscientiously taken into account.

The Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016 govern road traffic signs and road markings. There are no special circumstances drawn to our attention that would prevent removal of the permit parking place and introduction of waiting restrictions provided that the appropriate statutory procedures are followed.

Infrastructure / Asset Management

None at this stage.

Comments from other relevant service areas

Highways Delivery Manager - see paragraphs 5, 9 and 10.

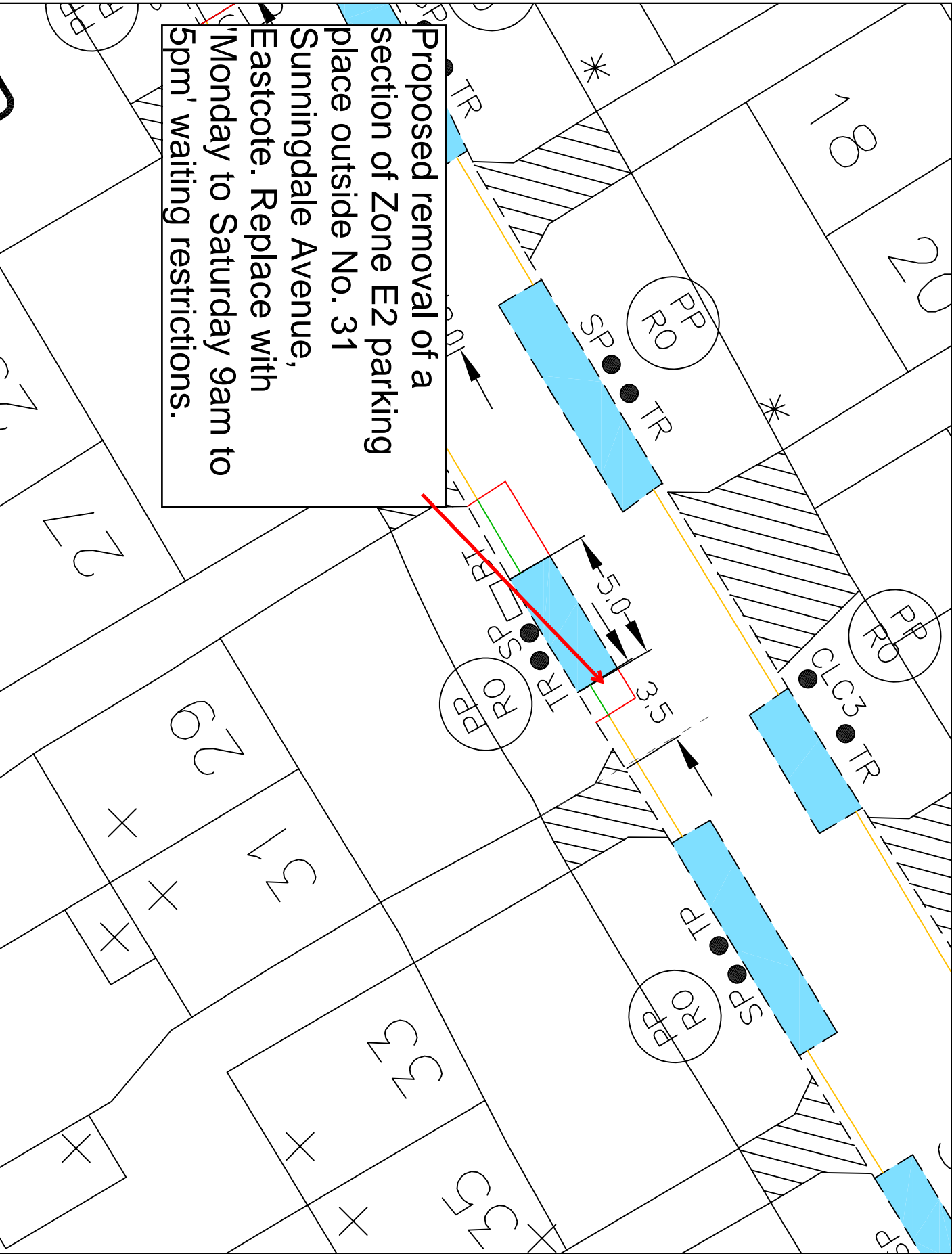
BACKGROUND PAPERS

NIL.

TITLE OF ANY APPENDICES

Appendix A - Plan showing the proposed amendments outside Nos. 31 Sunningdale Avenue, Eastcote.

Appendix A



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No. 31 Sunningdale Avenue, Eastcote

Proposed amendments

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