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c.c. All Members of the Public Safety & Transport

Select Committee

c.c. Perry Scott – Corporate Director of Place c.c. Caroline Haywood, Transport & Projects

c.c. Ward Councillors for Yiewsley

c.c. Conservative and Labour Group Offices

(inspection copy)

Date: 21 February 2022

# **Non-Key Decision request**

# Form D

# DICKENS AVENUE, HILLINGDON - OBJECTION TO PROPOSED WAITING RESTRICTIONS

**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 March 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 Officer	

**Title of Report:** DICKENS AVENUE, HILLINGDON - OBJECTION TO PROPOSED WAITING RESTRICTIONS

**Decision made:** 

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

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

Signed ......Date......Date....

Cabinet Member for Public Safety & Transport



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Cabinet Portfolio(s)	Public Safety and Transport
Officer Contact(s)	Caroline Haywood, Transport & Projects
Papers with report	Appendix A - location plan Appendix B - plan of proposal
HEADLINES	
Summary	To inform the Cabinet Member that an objection has been received to the proposed 'At Any Time' waiting restrictions on Dickens Avenue, Hillingdon.
Putting our Residents First	The request can be considered as part of the Council's annual programme of road safety initiatives.
Financial Cost	The cost associated with the recommendations to this report is

budgets for the Transportation Service.

estimated at £418 and will be met from within existing revenue

## Relevant Select Committee

Cabinet Member(s)

Public Safety & Transport.

Relevant Ward(s)

Yiewsley.

# RECOMMENDATIONS

#### That the Cabinet Member:

- 1. Considers the objection received from the statutory consultation for the proposed 'At Any Time' waiting restrictions on Dickens Avenue, Hillingdon;
- 2. Approves the amended proposal for the introduction of 'At Any Time' waiting restrictions on Dickens Avenue.



#### Reasons for recommendations

To improve access on Dickens Avenue yet still maintaining parking for residents.

#### Alternative options considered / risk management

The Council could decide not to proceed with the installation of the 'At Any Time' waiting restrictions as advertised.

#### Democratic compliance / previous authority

None at this stage.

#### **Select Committee comments**

None at this stage.

## SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 1. Dickens Avenue is a residential road within Yiewsley Ward. It leads on to Harlington Road which is one of the main routes between Hayes and Uxbridge. There are existing double yellow lines on the junction of Dickens Avenue and Harlington Road. A plan of the area is shown on Appendix A to this report.
- 2. The Council received a request from a resident through the Road Safety Programme for measures to remove obstructive parking in the entrance to Dickens Avenue. As a consequence, a detailed site investigation was undertaken by Council officers.
- 3. Officers observed that vehicles were parking on one side of the road from the end of the existing double yellow lines down into the road. These vehicles restricted access on the junction. Vehicles entering Dickens Avenue from Harlington Road are having to wait for vehicles to exit the road before proceeding, thus causing queueing traffic back on Harlington Road.
- 4. As a result of the site observations a proposal was developed to extend the double yellow lines by two car lengths. This will still maintain parking in the rest of the road, but keep the junction clear. The proposed waiting restrictions are shown on the plan attached as Appendix B of this report.
- 5. The Cabinet Member agreed to take the proposal through the statutory 21-day consultation process, which involved the placing of advertisements in the local press and the display of public notices on site. During this period the Council received one objection.
- 6. The objector stated "The current 10 metres of restrictions are sufficient to prevent obstruction of the junction and allow vehicles to pass each other, and an extension is entirely unnecessary. The current length also complies with the Highway Code guidance about vehicles not parking within 10 metres of a junction. Of course, sometimes you have



to wait further back to let a vehicle pass once it's entered the road, but it never caused an issue as this is a residential road which is essentially a cul-de-sac, and the road is straight, so visibility is not an issue either. Extending the restrictions would just create more parking pressure at that end of the road – space is quite limited once you get passed this area as there are a large number of crossovers."

- 7. The proposed extension would remove parking for two vehicles and would stop at least 25 metres from the start of the houses in Dickens Avenue. Most of the properties have off-street parking.
- 8. The local Ward Councillors have been consulted and have expressed no concerns on the current proposals.
- 9. After careful consideration of comments received from the statutory consultation and the views of the local Ward Councillors; it is recommended that the Cabinet Member agrees to proceed with the proposed 'At Any Time' waiting restrictions in Dickens Avenue as shown in Appendix B to this report.

## **Financial Implications**

The cost associated with the recommendations to this report is estimated at £ 418 and will be met from within existing revenue budgets for the Transportation Service.

## RESIDENT BENEFIT & CONSULTATION

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

The effect of introducing the proposed waiting restrictions on Dickens Avenue will be that access and safety is maintained whilst maintaining parking for residents.

#### Consultation carried out or required

Consultation has been carried out on this proposal through a notice on site and in the local press. Local Ward Councillors have also been consulted.

## 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 Borough Solicitor confirms that there are no legal impediments to the Cabinet Member agreeing the recommendations set out in the report which are in accordance with the outcome of the statutory consultation.



## **Infrastructure / Asset Management**

There are no property implications resulting from the recommendations set out in this report.

#### Comments from other relevant service areas

None at this stage.

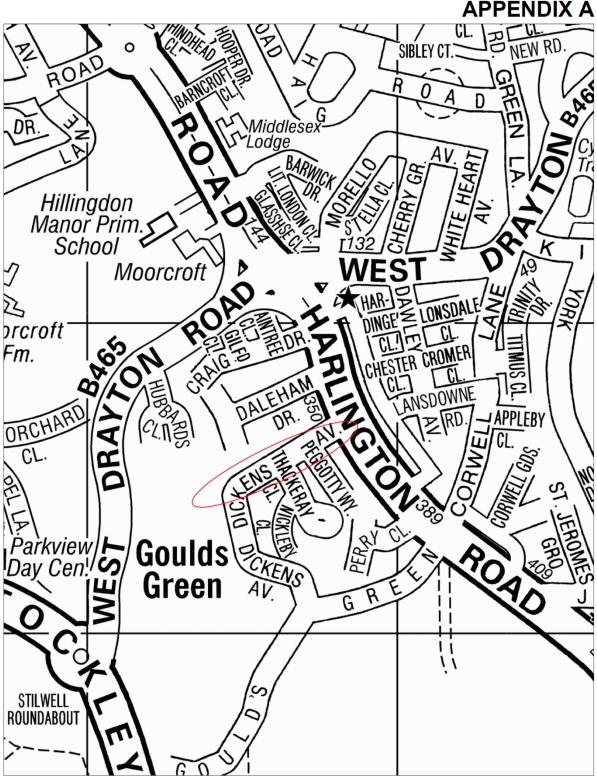
# **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

- Traffic order
- Objection email

# TITLE OF ANY APPENDICES

Appendix A - location plan Appendix B - plan of proposal





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