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c.c. All Members of the Property, Highways and

Transport Select Committee

c.c. Aileen Campbell, Place Directorate c.c. Perry Scott. Corporate Director of Place

c.c. All Councillors

Date: 04 October 2022

Non-Key Decision request

Form D

EASTCOTE 'ZONE E' PARKING MANAGEMENT SCHEME - OBJECTION REPORT ON PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Dear Cabinet Members

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 Wednesday 12 October 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.

Steve Clarke
Democratic Services Officer

Title of Report: Eastcote 'Zone E' Parking Management Scheme – Objection Report on Proposed Amendment

Decision made:

Reasons for your decision: (e.g	g. as stated in report)
Alternatives considered and rejected: (e.g. as stated in report)	
Signed	Date

Cabinet Member for Property, Highways & Transport



EASTCOTE 'ZONE E' PARKING MANAGEMENT SCHEME - OBJECTION REPORT ON PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Cabinet Member(s)	Councillor Jonathan Bianco
Cabinet Portfolio(s)	Cabinet Member for Property, Highways and Transport
Officer Contact(s)	Aileen Campbell, Place Directorate
Papers with report	Appendix A

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HEADLINES	
Summary	To inform the Cabinet Member of the results of the statutory consultation on a proposed amendments to the extension to the Eastcote Parking Management Scheme 'Zone E'.
Putting our Residents First	This report supports the Council objective of Our People. Results of the consultation will be considered in relation to the Council's strategy for parking in residential areas.
Financial Cost	There are no direct financial implications associated with the recommendations to this report.
Relevant Select Committee	Property, Highways and Transport Select Committee
Relevant Ward(s)	Eastcote

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Cabinet Member for Property, Highways and Transport:

- 1) Notes the responses received to the statutory consultation on proposed amendments to the Eastcote Parking Management Scheme 'Zone E';
- 2) Instructs officers to take no further action in replacing the residents' bay between Nos. 33 and 35 Meadow Way with a single yellow line.

Reasons for recommendations

The recommendations reflect the views of residents who responded to the Council's consultation and the views of local Ward Councillors.



Alternative options considered / risk management

The consultation with residents offered residents the option to maintain the current parking arrangements.

Select Committee comments

None at this stage.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 1. The Cabinet Member will be aware of the recent decision to implement an extension to the Eastcote Parking Management scheme 'Zone E'. This stemmed from requests and petitions from residents living in roads in close proximity to Eastcote Town Centre asking for the introduction of a residents' permit parking scheme. Following consideration of these petitions, the former Cabinet Member agreed to add these to the Council's extensive Parking Scheme Programme for further investigation and asked officers to informally consult with residents.
- 2. Households within an area agreed upon with local Ward Councillors were informally consulted and the results were shared with local Ward Councillors and the former Cabinet Member. The decision was made for officers to prepare a detailed scheme design to formally consult residents in the roads which showed support for a scheme.
- 3. A copy of the plan was sent to households included in the proposed scheme. Public notices were also displayed on site and the plans advertised in the local newspaper. Numerous comments were received during the 21-day statutory consultation period, all of which were shared with local Ward Councillors.
- 4. All of the responses received were thoroughly analysed and discussed by officers with the local Ward Councillors. Based on the responses received, the Cabinet Member decision was made for the scheme to be implemented in Meadow Way, Maple Close and Lowlands Road between Devonshire Road and The Link.
- 5. Amendments to the scheme were also recommended to be formally consulted on, based on the feedback received from residents. These included the following:
 - Instructs officers to conduct statutory consultation on proposals to replace the residents bay in front of Nos. 7 and 8 Maple Close with a waiting restriction operational 'Monday to Saturday 9am to 5pm'.
 - Instructs officers to conduct statutory consultation on a proposed extension to the 'at any time' restrictions in Maple Close.
 - Instructs officers to conduct statutory consultation on a proposed single yellow line in front of No. 12 Meadow Way to replace the existing double yellow line.
 - Instructs officers to conduct statutory consultation on a proposed single yellow line between Nos. 33 and 35 Meadow Way to replace the residents' bay.



6. Public notices were displayed on site and the proposed amendments advertised in the local newspaper between 8th June and 29th June 2022. One objection was received during this time which stated the below:

"I wish to object to the proposal regarding changes to the existing parking scheme.

- 1) The space in front of 33 Meadow Way is 4.33 metres which is quite adequate for a small car to park so a parking space should be allowed there.
- 2) In the existing parking scheme in Eastcote the houses have a white line in front of their drives and not a yellow line. I object to the yellow line being placed across my drive as it is not the same as the existing parking schemes."
- 7. This particular amendment was proposed as a result of a request made during the initial statutory consultation, where a resident requested the bay be removed to ensure their dropped kerb, which had recently been extended, was not blocked by vehicles parking in the bay. The objection to the proposed amendment and request for the bay to be implemented instead would mean that the bay would need to go slightly over the resident's dropped kerb. A bay must be at least 4.5 metres long, and 0.5 metres is usually left at the end, between a dropped kerb and parking bay, to prevent vehicle overhang; future problems could arise if there is no gap, especially as anyone with a valid 'Zone E' permit or visitor voucher could park in the bay, and enforcement officers would not be able to take action during the operational times of the scheme. However, the resident advised they acknowledged and understood this, and still objected to the proposed single yellow line, advising they are prepared to accept an overlap of the bay onto their dropped kerb. A plan is attached to this report as Appendix A which shows the residents' "permit holders only bay" recommended to be implemented and as consequence, the existing waiting restrictions operational 'Monday to Saturday 8am to 6:30pm' being slightly reduced as initially proposed.
- 8. In regard to the white line in front of some residents' driveways, these are in roads where the scheme consists of *continuous* parking bays, the closest example being Hawthorne Avenue. This also means however that vehicles could potentially park in front of dropped kerbs during the operational hours of the scheme and Civil Enforcement Officers would be limited as to what action they could take. The white lines are also not enforceable and are just an indication that there is a dropped kerb. The scheme in Meadow Way is a conventional scheme which is more commonly used across the Borough. A parking zone requires that the whole of the public highway in a Parking Management Scheme is subject to a prohibition by a single or double yellow line or is a designated parking place. Parking places are marked in the road where it is safe to park and where they will not obstruct dropped kerbs. Single yellow lines are placed in front of driveways and double yellow lines are placed where it its unsafe to park.
- 9. In conclusion, the response to the formal consultation on proposed amendments has been shared with local Ward Councillors who understand and support the resident who is prepared to accept an overlap of a residents' bay on their dropped kerb. It is therefore recommended that the proposed single yellow line to replace a residents' bay is not progressed at the present time.

Financial Implications

There are no direct financial implications associated with the recommendations to this report.



RESIDENT BENEIT & CONSULTATION

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

The recommendations will allow the Cabinet Member to make a decision based on the responses received during the statutory consultation and the views of the local Ward Councillors.

Consultation carried out or required

Statutory consultation was carried out between 08 June to 29 June 2022 by the insertion of public notices in the local newspaper and displayed on site.

CORPORATE CONSIDERATIONS

Corporate Finance

Corporate Finance has reviewed this report and concurs that there are no direct financial implications associated with this report.

Legal

Legal Services confirm that there are no impediments to agreeing the recommendations set out in this report, which are in accordance with the outcome of the statutory consultation.

Infrastructure / Asset Management

None at this stage.

Comments from other relevant service areas

None at this stage.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

NIL

TITLE OF ANY APPENDICES

Appendix A – Plan of the bay to be implemented outside Nos. 33 and 35 Meadow Way.

Appendix A

