
Decision Session: Executive Member for Transport and Planning

14 April 2016

Report of the Acting Director of City and Environmental Services

Consideration of Petition received:

Residents of Trentholme Drive (Micklegate Ward)

Summary

1. Consideration of petitions from residents of Trentholme Drive requesting Residents' Priority Parking. There are 43 households with vehicle access onto Trentholme Drive. We have received evidence of support for a Residents' Priority Parking Area from 23 (53%).

Recommendation

2. We recommend the Executive Member approves a formal consultation with residents.

Reason: The documentation package we provide enables residents to make an informed decision.

Background

3. We have been aware for some time that Trentholme Drive is subject to commuter parking. Drivers park up and walk into the city centre or other nearby business outlets.
4. All properties have off-street parking amenity or the possibility of providing this.
5. The carriageway around the crescent part of the street is narrow, under 4.5 metres. Consequently, drivers tend to park partially obstructing the footway in order to allow other vehicles to pass.
6. The width of the carriageway would have prevented us placing a Resident Parking scheme before 2012. Regulations introduced in January 2012 allow us to introduce a scheme without marking individual parking bays and signs. A Residents' Priority Parking Area can be enforced with entry signage only. The recommended consultation will be undertaken for this type of scheme.

Options and Outline Analysis

7. Option one: Conduct a formal consultation, report the outcome to the Director of City and Environmental Services, who will decide whether sufficient support is evident to advertise an amendment to the Traffic Regulation Order.

This is the recommended option as it provides a parking amenity for residents whilst preventing non-resident parking. There is an established procedure for deciding whether or not to initiate the legal work necessary to undertake a scheme. From the consultation we would require a 50% return of ballot sheets and the majority of those to be in favour to proceed. Reporting the outcome for a Director Decision, after consulting with the Executive Member and Ward Councillors will allow the process to be undertaken quicker. Any objections to the advertised proposal (legal process) will be reported to the Executive Member for Transport at a public meeting as is now established practice.

8. Option two; Take no further action

This is not the recommended option because although an unrestricted carriageway gives residents some chance of parking adjacent to their homes the amount of non-resident parking taking place is causing residents inconvenience and stress on a daily basis.

Consultation

9. No formal consultation has been undertaken with residents or Councillors to date. Ward Councillors will receive a copy of the consultation documentation.
10. If sufficient support is forthcoming from the formal consultation the proposal to amend the Traffic Regulation Order will be advertised in The Press, notices placed on street and details delivered to all properties eligible within the proposed scheme.

Council Plan

11. The above proposal confirms the participation of residents in the decision making process and democratic life.

Implications

12. This report has the following implications:

Financial – None

Human Resources – None

Equalities – The consultation process will highlight how any proposal to amend the Traffic Regulation order might impact on those in the community. If necessary, a Community Impact Assessment will be initiated if any detrimental impact is highlighted as part of the consultation process.

Legal – Implementation of a scheme requires amendment to the York Parking, Stopping and Waiting Traffic Regulation Order 2014:

Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 & the Local Authorities Traffic Orders (procedure) (England & Wales) Regulations 1996 apply

Crime and Disorder – None

Information Technology - None

Land – None

Other – None

Risk Management - None

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Specialist Implications Officer(s)

There are no specialist implications.

Wards Affected:

Micklegate Ward

All

For further information please contact the author of the report.

Background Papers

None.

Annexes

Annex A: Wording of petition received

Annex B: Plan of proposed scheme (properties to be consulted)