

OFFICER DECISION – URGENT SCHEME OF DELEGATION

Decision: COVID 19 - To extend the footstreets and footstreet hours																							
Date of Decision: 6 July 2020																							
Type of Decision:	Key		Non-Key																				
<p>Please tick one of the following:</p> <p><u>Reason for this being a Key Decision:</u> <input type="checkbox"/></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Involves significant expenditure or saving; Is significant in terms of its effects on communities (eg will effect one or more Wards); Decision Maker is acting under emergency powers; Decision maker is entitled to make a Key Decision as part of delivery of non-contentious operational business <p><u>Reason for this not being a Key Decision:</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Acting under the Officer Scheme of Delegation in accordance with the Constitution 																							
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Other:		Highways	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>																				
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Wards Affected:*[it is assumed that all wards are affected unless stated otherwise below]*

All Wards	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Fishergate	<input type="checkbox"/>	Holgate	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rural West York	<input type="checkbox"/>
Acomb	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fulford & Heslington	<input type="checkbox"/>	Hull Road	<input type="checkbox"/>	Strensall	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bishopthorpe	<input type="checkbox"/>	Guildhall	<input type="checkbox"/>	Huntington & New Earswick	<input type="checkbox"/>	Westfield	<input type="checkbox"/>
Clifton	<input type="checkbox"/>	Haxby & Wigginton	<input type="checkbox"/>	Micklegate	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wheldrake	<input type="checkbox"/>
Copmanthorpe	<input type="checkbox"/>	Heworth	<input type="checkbox"/>	Osbalwick & Derwent	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
Dringhouses & Woodthorpe	<input type="checkbox"/>	Heworth Without	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rawcliffe & Clifton	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>

Comments/Observations:**Consultation:**

Prior to making the decision the Deputy Chief Executive will proactively consult with the following:

- Leader of the Council (and in his absence the Deputy Leader of the Council)
- Chief Finance Officer (s151 Officer)
- Chief Legal Officer (Monitoring Officer)
- Head of HR & OD (where relevant and appropriate)
- Director of Public Health (where relevant and appropriate)

Comments received:

[please note those received from officers may be included within the report]

Leader of the Council (and in his absence the Deputy Leader of the Council):

I am supportive of the measures, which will be reviewed, to enable social distancing in the streets listed.

Chief Finance Officer (s151 Officer):

The cost of the Traffic Regulation Orders outlined within this decision are £23.5k and include signing, lining and additional staffing at barrier locations.

The alterations to Monk Bar car park and associated taxi service through July is anticipated to cost c £10k.

These costs are to be covered from the budget set aside for Economic and Transport Recovery with much of the costs funded from the Reopening the High Street Fund.

Chief Legal Officer (Monitoring Officer):

It is noted that the extension of the footstreets will remove the existing exemption for Blue Badge access but that changes have been made to Monk Bar Car Park in which spaces for free blue badge parking will be provided and a taxi service provided to offset the free blue badge parking displaced by the extension of footstreets. It is also noted that consideration of additional support for blue badge holders will be made based upon monitoring and understanding the impact.

Head of HR & OD (where relevant and appropriate):

Nothing further to add

Director of Public Health (where relevant and appropriate):

I am satisfied that the arrangements as presented support the guidance on social distancing.

Decision:

1. To approve a Temporary TRO, covering Goodramgate (between Monk Bar and Deangate), College Street and Deangate, to prohibit motorised vehicles (not cycles) except for access, and to implement a loading ban, with both restrictions implemented between 10.30 and 20.00 (in line with extended footstreet hours), seven days a week. To approve the installation of the signage required to facilitate the enforcement of these restrictions.
2. To approve a Temporary TRO for Fossgate to prohibit access by motorised vehicles (not cycles), and to implement a loading ban, with both restrictions implemented between 10.30 and 20.00 (in line with extended footstreet hours), 7 days a week. Due to the access arrangements required it will be necessary to staff the closure point at the junction with Merchantgate.
3. To approve a Temporary TRO to extend all the footstreet hours to 10.30am to 20.00 seven days a week, and to extend the staffing of the closure points at Blake Street and Goodramgate accordingly. To staff all main closure points for two weeks to provide information to road users and support the enforcement of the new restrictions.
4. Blue Badge parking in the city and use of the shuttle taxi to be monitored for the month of July. Closing footstreets impacts upon blue badge holders, changes have been made to Monk Bar Car Park and a taxi service provided. Consideration of additional support for blue badge holders will be made based upon monitoring and understanding the impact.

This will be reviewed in line with changes to COVID Alert levels

Reason for the Decision:

To maintain social distancing whilst implementing the council's Covid Recovery plan. This action supports the councils Covid Economic Recovery Transport and Place Strategy to reopen the city centre, including the hospitality sector, whilst enabling social distancing.

Decision Made by: Ian Floyd, Deputy Chief Executive

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To be implemented by: Tony Clarke

On Completion:

Date: 6 July 2020

Completed decision noted by Monitoring Officer

PLEASE NOTE: This decision will be reported retrospectively to the relevant committee as and when it is appropriate to do so.

In the meantime, this decision will be reported as a Leader or Officer Decision on the Council's website.

