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## Meeting of Executive Members for City Strategy and the Advisory Panel

10 December 2007

Report of the Director of City Strategy

### **PETITION FOR RESIDENTS PARKING – HOLGATE BRIDGE GARDENS**

#### **Summary**

1. This report is in the response to the receipt of a petition that requests the introduction of a residents parking scheme for Holgate Bridge Gardens.

#### **Background**

2. The lead petitioner raised this matter earlier this year with the Network Management team and to demonstrate neighbourhood support for the introduction of a ResPark scheme he initiated a petition. No formal survey has been carried out to determine the extent of the parking taking place, however ad-hoc observations have taken place.
3. An 11 signature petition from the 12 properties in the street, (see covering letter and petition extract in Annex A) has been received in July requesting that their street be made a resident's parking area as soon as possible. Streets are put on the list for consideration for residents parking if local residents demonstrate that there is significant support for such a scheme. There are 12 properties in the immediate area; therefore the petition represents 91.7% support for the idea in principle.
4. The plan (Annex B) shows the area of the scheme that has been requested by this petition. If taken forward this would be a new zone rather than an extension to any of the existing zones in the area.
5. Holgate Bridge Gardens is a cul de sac accessed from Holgate Rd, being approximately 90 metres long and consisting of 12 semidetached properties, most with off street parking facilities. The residents claim that many non-resident vehicles are parked on street during the day. The road is narrow 4.4m to 5m wide and parked vehicles are making access and egress difficult both to the resident and service vehicles such as the refuse lorry. Ad-hoc observation surveys confirm that extensive parking does take place on street.
6. As there is a backlog of residents parking requests to be tackled it is intended to alleviate the access problems at the end of the street nearest the junction with Holgate Road with the use of double yellow lines. This length of the road would have to be double yellow lines under any residents parking scheme introduced as the width of the carriageway is not wide enough for even single sided parking under the North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue guide lines worked to. It is there for proposed to introduce 40 metres of double yellow lines under the Annual Review procedure due to take place this year.

## **Consultation**

7. The City of York Council has carried out no formal consultation.
8. Ward councillors have made the following comments on this request:  
Cllr D. Bowgett

Cllr J. Alexander:  
Councillor Bowgett and I are happy with this recommendation.

Cllr S. Crisp  
I am happy with these recommendations.

## **Options and Analysis**

9. The options available are set out below:
  - A. Add this area to the list for investigation.  
This option is in line with the current residents parking policy and the wishes of the petitioners
  - B. Reject the request for inclusion in a residents parking scheme.  
This is not the recommended option as there is considered to be strong support demonstrated for a residents parking scheme.
  - C. Add this area to the list for investigation, and as an interim measure introduce up to 40 metres of double yellow lines in the first half of the street to alleviate access problems; hence it is the recommended option.

## **Corporate Priorities**

10. Taking this matter forward improves our focus on the needs of customers and residents in designing and providing services.

## **Implications**

11. There are no Financial, Human Resource, Equality, Legal, Crime and Disorder, IT, Property or other implications associated with the recommendations in this report. The cost of consultation with the residents and any necessary Traffic Regulation Order will be funded from the Residents Parking Budget.

## **Risk Management**

12. In compliance with the Council's risk management strategy there are no risks associated with the recommendations in this report.

## Recommendations

13. That the Advisory Panel advise the Executive Member to:

Include this area on the residents parking request list and begin investigations and consultation once it reaches the top of the list.

Introduce up to 40 metres of double yellow lines from the junction with Holgate Road to try and alleviate the problems associated with access by large vehicles, to be investigated in the Annual Review this year.

Inform the lead petitioner of the outcome of this report.

**Reason:** To facilitate parking for residents and their visitors as requested and to ease access and egress in the street.

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Specialist Implications Officers - none

Wards Affected: Holgate

All

For further information please contact the author of the report

**Background Papers:** None

### Annexes:

Annex A – An extract from the petition.  
A copy of the lead petitioners letter.

Annex B – A plan of the proposed area for the residents parking zone and proposed double yellow lines.