Annex N Osbaldwick & Derwent Ward

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Location: Outgang Lane/ Murton Way and Osbaldwick Link Road

Nature of problem and advertised proposal

Cllr. Warters, local business owners and several residents raised an ongoing issue of vehicles parking near to the junction of Outgang Lane and on Murton Way leading to obstructions of the carriageway, footpaths and causing damage to verges.

Plan of proposed restrictions:



Representations received

We received one objection and two representations in support. The Ward Cllr did submit signed confirmation from the home owners on Murton Way that they would not object to an Urban Clearway if it were proposed.

Objection received from Osbaldwick Parish Council:

 Osbaldwick Parish Council object to the proposals by City of York Council to impose 'No waiting at any time' (double yellow line) restrictions on Murton Way and Outgang Lane. These proposals are a response to the parking problems in the area caused by CYC with the approval of a servicing garage on a former joiners workshop site with totally inadequate on site parking further compounded by the subsequent approval of a taxi booking office on the same site.

These approvals were opposed by the Parish Council and Ward Councillor without CYC taking any notice with inevitable consequences that the current 'No waiting at any time' proposals will not address and will likely make the situation even worse with parking associated with the garage and taxi operation being displaced further into the Outgang Lane Industrial estate to the detriment of other businesses, further along Murton Way in both directions and no doubt along Osbaldwick Link Road. Having caused these problems by failing to listen to well founded local concerns it is now incumbent on CYC to listen to local suggestions to solve this situation.

The PC and Ward Councillors wish to suggest 'Clearway' parking restrictions are used instead to cover all of Outgang Lane - to keep access to all businesses clear at all times and keep footpaths clear, to cover Murton Way to the junction with Beckett Drive going towards Osbaldwick and to the entrance to the Holly Tree Farm holiday lodge site going towards Murton and to cover Osbaldwick Link Road with 'clearway' restrictions for its full length as the overspill parking from the TEWV NHS site despite 'travel plan' assurances accepted by CYC is spreading onto verges on Osbaldwick Link Road.

All Clearway signage to be installed in more appropriate methods for a semi-rural area like the measures on Murton Lane and Eastfield Lane, Dunnington - ie. signage mounted on railway sleepers.

Representations in support:

• I welcome in principal the parking restrictions at this junction in Osbaldwick.

However, I am sure you realise such work only pushes the problem further up the road. If the work goes ahead as planned then I am very likely to have two vehicles parked outside my property for most of the working day, this stretch will become the first stretch of road with no restrictions. This will hinder vision to the left as I pull out of my driveway potentially leading to contact with vehicles travelling into Osbaldwick. Also, the pedestrian drop kerb and tactile paving will most likely be parked across by a parked vehicle for most of the day.

There is another such pedestrian drop kerb and tactile paving outside no 25, which again is likely to be blocked.

I would suggest that the restrictions are extended further on the north side of Murton Way to perhaps past no 21. This will give clearer vision for pedestrians and particularly pushchairs and wheelchairs using both of the purpose built crossing points and thus make crossing safer. These extended restrictions will in some way help to make the parking of vehicles along Murton Way a less attractive choice if there is further to walk to the industrial site. This I believe to be the root cause of the parking issue, which in my experience is a relatively recent problem.

 I fully support your proposals, as I have personally witnessed a number of verbally aggressive incidents involving drivers at the Murton Way/Link Road junction and your proposal should significantly help. I would however ask if it is possible for a small extension to proposal.

There is a dropped kerb outside number 27 Murton Way for wheel chair and pushchair users crossing to the south side of Murton Way, and as I am sure that cars will park adjacent to this point ion the future, on both sides of the road, blocking the sight line for people crossing on what is often a 'fast road' could pose a real problem. Therefore, if it is possible to extend the restrictions I am sure this would increase the safety road any users of the crossing point.

Officer analysis and recommendation

The Parish Council objection to the proposal is more to do with the suitability of the proposed restrictions rather than the requirement for any restrictions to be put in place. The Parish Council and Ward Cllr would like the area to be covered by a clearway, this would not be suitable for all the locations proposed. It would not be suitable to introduce a Clearway on Outgang Lane, as it is an industrial estate, so the removal of loading activities would have a negative impact on the businesses. During a site meeting with the Ward Cllr, the impact of a Clearway was discussed, and officers raised concerns about the introduction of such a restriction in residential and industrial areas, as it would remove any ability to load in the areas that it was implemented. An Urban Clearway was suggested, which has a requirement to cover two time periods per day (i.e. 8am-10am & 4pm-6pm), this would affect other businesses along Murton Way and the Church.

The Parish Council and representations in support have all suggested that the proposal does not cover a big enough area and the restrictions should be extended further along Murton Way and Osbaldwick Link Road. A request for restrictions on Osbaldwick Link Road has already been added to the next annual review so any further required restrictions on Outgang Lane and Murton Way can be added to that review so the Council can review and monitor the area as one.

Options:

- 1. Implement as advertised. This is recommended. The alternative proposal by the Parish Council would create more negative impact on residents and business in the area, we will continue to monitor the area through the next annual review.
- 2. Take no further action. Not recommended
- 3. Implement a lesser restriction. Not recommended