

Meeting	Decision Session - Executive Member for Transport
Date	6 December 2019
Present	Councillor D'Agorne

44. Declarations of Interest

The Executive Member was asked to declare, at this point in the meeting, any personal interests, not included on the Register of Interests, or any prejudicial or disclosable pecuniary interests that he might have had in respect of business on the agenda. He confirmed he had none.

45. Minutes

In response to Cllr Warter's comments noted at Minute 40. 'Public Participation' item, the Executive Member requested the addition of the following paragraph:

'The Executive Member requested a report from officers which would provide a response to Cllr Water's concerns regarding the Street Lighting Policy and the 2014 City of York Council's Streetscape manual'.

Subject to the above amendment it was:

Resolved: That the minutes of the Decision Session of the Executive Member for Transport and Planning held on 21 November 2019 be approved and signed by the Executive Member as a correct record.

46. Public Participation

It was reported that there had been 5 registrations to speak at the meeting under the Council's Public Participation Scheme.

Agenda item 4 - Consideration of representations in relation to an advertised proposal for pedestrian refuge and waiting restrictions on Bishopthorpe Road.

Cllr Crawshaw, Ward Member for Micklegate, spoke in relation to this item. He supported the pedestrian refuge and waiting restrictions on Bishopthorpe Road. He considered that there was a need to expedite the resident parking scheme at Bishopthorpe Road and urged that resident parking for the whole area be considered. Regarding parking up to the Terry's Chocolate factory, at a meeting in September there was no support for double yellow lines but support for yellow lines at the driveways. There had been a reasonable level of support for resident parking. He considered that the proposals were headed in the right direction but that the timing of implementation needed further consideration.

Agenda item 5 - Consideration of representations received to an advertised proposal for waiting restrictions on Albemarle Road, Philadelphia Terrace and Ovington Terrace.

Cllr Crawshaw, Ward Member for Micklegate, spoke in relation to this Item and mentioned that he had a non-prejudicial interest in this matter in that it was likely that his children would go to Millthorpe School.

The following speakers also spoke in objection to the above proposals: Mr Peter Combie, Ms Averil Rushton, Ms Jane Simms and Mr Neil Muir, highlighting a number of concerns which included the following:

- There are existing concerns regarding parking at Ablemarle Road and Philadelphia Terrace where it is difficult to park due to commuter parking and residents who are not paying for a Resident Parking Permit seeking parking.
- Regarding the consultation on parking restrictions, only the residents in the immediate vicinity were consulted.
- The council should have implemented a joined up approach/ and take forward restrictions within the planned consultation for Resident Parking.
- The consultation was not wide enough. This affects residents, pedestrians, cyclists and the safety of school children.
- The proposed changes would adversely impact upon pollution levels and the council's commitment for a cleaner greener York and affect the health of local residents for a project which is largely commercial.

- Regarding waiting restrictions at Ablemarle Road and Elvington Road, the consultation covered just a few issues of concern.
- If restrictions are enacted before a permit scheme it would make life more difficult for residents as displaced parking would move further into the residential areas. If restrictions have to be implemented this should only be done when Resident Parking is implemented.
- The plans involve placing double yellow lines over the driveways of properties which would reduce parking by 16 spaces and increase pressure for parking spaces.
- The overflow from onsite parking at MUGA would mean that residents could face a double impact of fewer parking spaces and increased traffic.
- Parked cars are frequently damaged. The proposed 80 vehicles an hour would add to that problem.
- The MUGA Development requires parking restrictions to get the planning application through. They are the only beneficiary. This is commercially motivated, while residents experience a loss of parking spaces.
- The proposed parking restrictions are part of a combination of measures to control the impact of the additional traffic caused by the MUGA. One other of which was the 30minute interval between sessions, which Sports England advised would (a) not be adhered to by users and (b) prevent community usage generating the required funds to make the MUGA viable. The recommendation that the parking restrictions are implemented to coincide with the MUGA being ready for community use to ensure its commercial viability ignores this fact.
- That to continue with the proposed restrictions, without a conditional Resident Parking scheme, on the basis that such a scheme will take too long to implement is disingenuous, given that the restrictions were first presented in February and planning approved in June of this year.
- A holistic approach to parking in the South Bank area is urgently needed, and small isolated plans such as these will only further inconvenience and frustrate residents.

47. Consideration of representations in objection and support to an advertised proposal for pedestrian refuge and waiting restrictions on Bishopthorpe Road

The Executive Member considered a report on the representations received to the recently advertised proposal for waiting restrictions on Bishopthorpe Road (as detailed in Annex A) for the purpose of improving a pedestrian refuge crossing and tackling obstruction and safety issues caused by parked vehicles.

The options available were:

Option One (Recommended option)

- (i) Implement the proposal as advertised north of Campleshon Road to facilitate the pedestrian refuge crossing point
- (ii) Implement the proposal as advertised on the east side of the carriageway to ease the ongoing obstruction issues (Annex B1/B2)
- (iii) Take no further action on the proposals on the West side of Bishopthorpe Road with the exception of:
 - a. No waiting at any time restrictions on the West Side of Bishopthorpe Road at the junction with Campleshon Road.
 - b. Implement a parking bay on the West side to operate Monday to Friday 7am to 7pm to with a 2 hour parking limit to enable short term parking. (Detailed within Annex B1)
- (iv) Implement additional restrictions on the west side of the carriageway as shown in Annex B2 within a Resident Parking scheme should one be implemented. If a Resident Parking scheme is not implemented the area to be further investigated within the Annual Review process.
- (v) Implement the Clearway as advertised between the racecourse and Bishopthorpe Village

Option 2: Implement the proposal as advertised

Option 3: Take no further action at this time and take forward all restrictions as part of any planned resident parking scheme

The Transport Systems Project Manager and the Traffic Team Leader

were in attendance to present the report and to respond to questions.

Officer's confirmed that the consultation on restrictions at the south of Campleshon Road would be included along with the other resident parking consultations in this area.

Resolved:

To confirm Option 1 - That the following actions be undertaken.

To:

- (i) Implement the proposal as advertised north of Campleshon Road to facilitate the pedestrian refuge crossing point
- (ii) Implement the proposal as advertised on the east side of the carriageway to ease the ongoing obstruction issues (Annex B1/B2)
- (iii) Take no further action on the proposals on the West side of Bishopthorpe Road with the exception of:
 - a. No waiting at any time restrictions on the West Side of Bishopthorpe Road at the junction with Campleshon Road.
 - b. Implement a parking bay on the West side to operate Monday to Friday 7am to 7pm to with a 2 hour parking limit to enable short term parking. (Detailed within Annex B1)
 - c. Implement a 90m length of no waiting at any time restrictions on the south west of Bishopthorpe Road for the protection of the on-street cycle lane (Detailed within the amended B2 Annex plan which can be found attached as a supplement to the Agenda)
- (iv) Implement additional restrictions on the west side of the carriageway as shown in Annex B2 within a Resident Parking scheme should one be implemented. If a Resident Parking scheme is not implemented the area to be further investigated within the Annual Review process.
- (v) Implement the Clearway as advertised between the racecourse and Bishopthorpe Village.

Reason:

To respond to the views of residents and retain as much on street parking amenity as possible whilst enabling an improvement of on-going obstruction and safety issues.

48. Consideration of representations received to an advertised proposal for waiting restrictions on Albemarle Road, Philadelphia Terrace and Ovington Terrace

The Executive Member considered a report on objections received to an advertised proposal to introduce waiting restrictions on Albemarle Road and Philadelphia Terrace to facilitate a requirement within the planning decision for the Multi User Games Area (MUGA) at Millthorpe School (notice of proposals and plans included as Annex A).

The options available were:

Option 1 (Recommended Option)

- (i) Take forward the proposal as advertised for implementation at a later date
- (ii) The implementation of restrictions on street to be deferred until the development is completed and ready for community use
- (iii) Accelerate the investigation and delivery of the Residents Parking to meet the representations of the residents as early as possible.

Option 2:

- (i) In line with the representations received, take no further action at this time. Waiting restrictions to be taken forward as part of any future designed scheme for Resident Parking in the area.

The Transport Systems Project Manager and the Traffic Team Leader provided the following information in response to questions from the Executive Member:

- The Traffic Team Leader confirmed that the resident parking request had been submitted to the Council 18 months ago and is now at the top of the list.
- Consultation on this proposal and the wider area would take approximately 9 months. There may be opportunities to shorten that time and should they arise they would be pursued.

- A registered speaker expressed concern that during consultation people may respond that there are no issues, it would only be as the scheme is in place that people will experience the impact of this and issues emerge. Officers provided assurance that if that were the case that these concerns would be fast tracked.
- The Executive Member reiterated the need to take a holistic approach in considering parking restrictions and resident parking with the aim that the whole Ward is in support of this.

Resolved:

To confirm Option 1 - That the following actions be undertaken:

- (i) Take forward the proposal as advertised for implementation at a later date.
- (ii) The implementation of restrictions on street to be deferred until the development is completed and ready for community use.
- (iii) Accelerate the investigation and delivery of the Residents Parking to meet the representations of the residents as early as possible.
- (iv) Take no further action on the proposed waiting restrictions adjacent to the existing No Stopping Restriction at the entrance to Millthorpe School on Ovington Terrace. To advertise a new proposal to amend the existing No Stopping Restriction to a 24 hour, 7 day a week to prevent vehicles using the area for drop off and pick up.

Reason:

The restrictions as proposed were identified within the planning application process to ensure the safety of highway users due to the anticipated increased traffic flows in the area when the MUGA is opened for community use. (The MUGA can be used for school use without implementation of the restrictions).

Cllr A D'Agorne, Executive Member for Transport
[The meeting started at 2.00 pm and finished at 2.50 pm].