

# Decision Session Executive Member for Transport and Planning

11 February 2016

Report of the Acting Director of City and Environmental Services

## Objections to the advertised Residents Priority Parking Scheme on Nunthorpe Grove, Micklegate Ward

## Summary

1. A petition from 56% of households on Nunthorpe Grove was received last year. This was considered at a Decision Session. The Director of City and Environmental Services in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Transport subsequently approved the decision to undertake a formal consultation with residents of Nunthorpe Grove. From this we received a 54.4% return rate and of the ballots received 53% were in favour. The level of support was considered to be sufficient and the decision was taken to initiate the legal process to amend the Traffic Regulation Order to include a Residents' Priority Parking Area for Nunthorpe Grove. This amendment for Nunthorpe Grove to become residents' priority parking was advertised in December 2015. A copy of the formal advertised proposal is included as Annex A.

During the advertisement period we received four formal objections to the scheme, summarised in Annex B. The purpose of this report is to consider the objections received.

#### Recommendations

 The Executive Member is asked to overturn the objections made and implement the scheme as advertised to introduce a 24 hour Residents Priority Parking area on Nunthorpe Grove.

Reason: This is in line with a well established procedure when dealing with requests for new Residents Parking Schemes; however the return percentages are very close to the implementation limits.

Timescale: The order will be made and operational on street during April/May 2016.

### **Background**

- 3. In October 2014, a Residents' Priority Parking Area was implemented in Nunthorpe Drive, Nunthorpe Crescent, Nunthorpe Gardens and Nunthorpe View, this is located in close proximity to Nunthorpe Grove. The timing of the petition being received which started the consultation process suggests there may have been some commuter vehicles displaced onto Nunthorpe Grove.
- 4. The additional parking on Nunthorpe Grove has caused some residents to consider the amount of non-residential parking taking place unacceptable.
- 5. There have been suggestions that customers of near by guest houses have also been directed to park on Nunthorpe Grove for free parking.

#### Consultation

- 6. Residents were consulted in June 2015 and asked to return a ballot sheet in order to register their preference.
  - 30 of 55 ballot papers were returned (54.5%) Of those returned:
  - 16 Supported the introduction of a Residents' Priority Parking Scheme: 12 of these expressed a preference for a 24 hour, 7 days a week scheme and 3 expressed a preference for Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm and one gave a preference of 9am to 5pm 7 days a week.
  - 14 residents did not support the introduction of a Residents' Parking scheme.
- 7. It is common procedure to require a 50% return of ballot sheets with the majority of returns in favour of introducing a resident parking scheme before we support a proposal to amend the Traffic Regulation Order to include a scheme.
- 8. The order was then advertised in the local press and on street for three weeks. In addition all properties on Nunthorpe Grove were hand delivered details of the proposal and how to submit representation for or against the scheme.
- 9. During the advertisement period we received four objections to the scheme, three from residents who had already expressed a no vote in the original consultation and one from a nearby resident who resides on a different street which currently has residents parking. A précis of each representation has been included as Annex B; concerns have been made about the costs of permits and the necessity to take action.

### **Options**

- 10. The options available are:
  - 1 To overturn the objections and implement the scheme as advertised.
  - 2 To uphold the objections and take no further action to implement a scheme.
  - 3 To place the scheme on hold and re consult with residents in six to twelve months time. From which if a larger percentage of returns are received and in favour the scheme can then be implemented without incurring advertising costs again.

## **Analysis**

- 11. Option1 is the recommended action as this follows the procedures currently in place. Although the support is only marginally in favour CYC are currently undertaking a consultation with other streets in the area, this includes Bishopthorpe Road, St Clement's Grove, Aldreth Grove and Cameron Grove, from which a further residents parking scheme will be advertised, this could have a negative impact on Nunthorpe Grove and surrounding streets from commuter parking trying to find spaces.
- 12. Option 2 does not adequately meet the expectations of the local residents; as such this is not the recommended option.
- 13. Option 3 acknowledges that action may need to be taken in the future and gives residents the opportunity to vote again without the need for a further petition. However consultation and implementation does take time, as such the other proposed Residents Parking scheme in the area may be implemented first and this could then have an adverse effect on parking which residents of Nunthorpe Grove would have to contend with until a second consultation can be completed.

#### **Council Plan**

14. Considering this matter contributes to the Council Plan building strong communities by engaging with all members of the local community.

## **Implications**

15. Financial There are no financial implications

Human Resources (HR) There are no HR implications

**Equalities** There are no Equalities implications

Legal There are no Legal implications

Crime and Disorder (There are no Crime and Disorder implications

Information Technology (IT) There are no IT implications

**Property** (There are no Property implications

Other There are no other implications

### **Risk Management**

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

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**Background Papers:** Director Decision: Nunthorpe Grove, results of the consultation on a Residents' Priority Parking Scheme

#### **Annexes**

Annex A – formal advertised proposal

Annex B – Details of representations received

Annex C – Plan of advertised residents parking area