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**Decision Session – Executive Member for  
Transport and Planning**

**16 August 2018**

Report of the Corporate Director of Economy and Place

**Consideration of Two Residents' Parking Petitions**

**Summary**

1. To report the receipt of 2 petitions and determine what action is appropriate in each case.

**Recommendations**

Main, First and Second Avenues

2. It is recommended that:
  - Option 2 - That the street is added to the Residents parking waiting list and an investigation carried out when it reaches the top of the list.

Reason: Because this will respond to residents concerns in the order they are raised and can be progressed depending on funding available each year.

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3. It is recommended that:
  - Option 4 - That the area is added to the Residents parking waiting list, Danesmead Close item, and an investigation carried out when the item reaches the top of the list.

Reason: Because this will respond to residents concerns in the order they are raised and can be progressed depending on funding available each year.

**Background – Main, First and Second Avenues**

4. The petition has been signed by residents of the 3 streets – a total of 32 signatures representing 29 properties. A copy of the petition covering

letter and petition header is shown in Annex A1 and a plan of the area is in Annex A2.

5. These streets are all residential, though they are adjacent to East parade which has several commercial properties along its length. This area is roughly 1 to 1½ km from the outskirts of the city centre which would be a reasonable walking distance for some commuters. The existing R30 zone is close by and includes part of East Parade, hence it may be appropriate to consider expanding R30 to include these streets and to include the rest of East Parade and Bull Lane in the initial consultation.

### **Background – Balmoral Terrace**

6. The petition is 29 standard letters from residents of Balmoral Terrace. These indicate 13 are in favour of residents parking, 11 are against and 5 are undecided. Whilst this might be viewed as only marginally in favour clearly there is an interest and further investigation would seem appropriate. The street is mainly residential but there are also several commercial premises. There has been a recent increase in residents parking provision in the immediate area. Hence, it may be appropriate to consider expanding the existing zones and include those streets / areas adjacent which might end up surrounded by residents parking schemes during the initial consultation.

### **Background – General information**

7. There has been an increase in demand to become part of a residents parking zone in the last 2 years or so. This increase in demand has resulted in a waiting list (see Annex C) for investigating new requests. Each request is investigated in the order the request was made and will be dependant on funding availability.
8. The process and likely timescales for investigating and implementing a scheme is also outlined on the waiting list in Annex C. In the event of additional petitions being received from adjacent streets then they would be grouped together in the investigation and consultation in order to better represent the views of the wider community.

### **Options for Consideration**

#### **Main, First and Second Avenues**

9. Option 1 – Note the petition but take no action. This is not the recommended action.
10. Option 2 – Approve for inclusion on the residents parking waiting list to consult on advertising a proposal This is the recommended action because this responds to residents concerns.

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11. Option 3 – Note the petition but take no action. This is not the recommended action.
12. Option 4 – Approve for inclusion on the residents parking waiting list to consult on advertising a proposal This is the recommended action because this responds to residents concerns.

### **Consultation**

13. At this stage there is no consultation but when the area reaches the top of the waiting list there will be a 2 stage consultation process. Firstly, information on how a scheme operates is sent out to all properties together with a questionnaire, the results of which are reported back to an Executive Member meeting for a decision on how to proceed.
14. If approval to proceed is granted then the formal legal Traffic Regulation Order consultation is carried out.

### **Council Plan**

15. The above proposal contributes to the Council Plan 2015-2019 in respect of the following key priorities:
  - A prosperous city for all,
  - A council that listens to residents

### **Implications**

16. This report has the following implications:

**Financial** – None at this stage.

**Human Resources** – None at this stage but if proposals are taken forward to implementation there will be additional areas for the Civil Enforcement Officers to patrol.

**Equalities** – None.

**Legal** – before a residents parking scheme can be implemented the correct legal procedure has to be gone through.

**Crime and Disorder** – None

**Information Technology** - None

**Land** – None

**Other – None**

**Risk Management**

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**Approved**

**Specialist Implications Officer(s)**

None.

Wards Affected: Heworth, Micklegate

**For further information please contact the author of the report.**

**Background Papers:**

None.

**Annexes:**

Annex A1 Main, First and Second Avenues covering letter and petition header

Annex A2 Plan of the Main, First and Second Avenues area

Annex B1 Balmoral Terrace covering letter and petition header

Annex B 2 Plan of the Balmoral Terrace area

Annex C Residents parking waiting list

# Annex A1

## Main, First and Second Avenue Petition

I understand that several other people have already entered into correspondence with you about the current parking situation in Heworth. I am particularly concerned with our own street Main Avenue and also Second and First Avenue

We have lived here for over 30 years now and have seen a gradual increase in the number of folk parking in this area during the day, and in the evening, who are not residing in the streets. Recently a car was parked without any movement for at least 10 days and it has now simply been moved further along the road and again no sign of any movement for 14 days. One of my neighbours said that they knew that this car has been advertised for sale. So it is simply been parked here until it is sold. We have a lot of folk parking here in the morning, then going off to work, leaving the car all day. Then on an evening folk come and park and walk away to their homes outside our area.

It is really becoming a major issue. If you go to the supermarket then return you inevitably can no longer park close to your home to unload. Neighbours have invited visitors only to find that they then have to park streets away and unload children and bags. If you are due to have any workmen come to your home it's very hard for them to park their vehicle to attend your property. Then of course there are those folk who really should not be behind a wheel as they cannot park! Across drives, on footpaths! It's quiet ridiculous some days.

I decided a while ago to look into the possibility of trying to sound out local opinions and see if we can apply for residents only parking. I have been around the area gathering people's thoughts and enclose some signatures on a petition of folk who would support such a scheme

It was an interesting exercise as some folk would support it if the cost were lower. We found that one lady was already paying £300 per year to park at her place of work so she would be reluctant to pay again to park at her home. Other people felt that it might just not work as they think that people who have permits for another area could still park in our streets. We found that the majority of folk felt that it was an area of concern for them, but not all were ready to sign this at the moment. They needed more information. One or two neighbours have even considered moving house as this issue has become such a problem

I understand that the next step, if you consider that enough people would wish to discuss the possibility of residents only parking, would be for the council to arrange to meet local residents to gather opinions for themselves

Can you please consider the possibility of moving this forward, as we would like to see the issue resolved

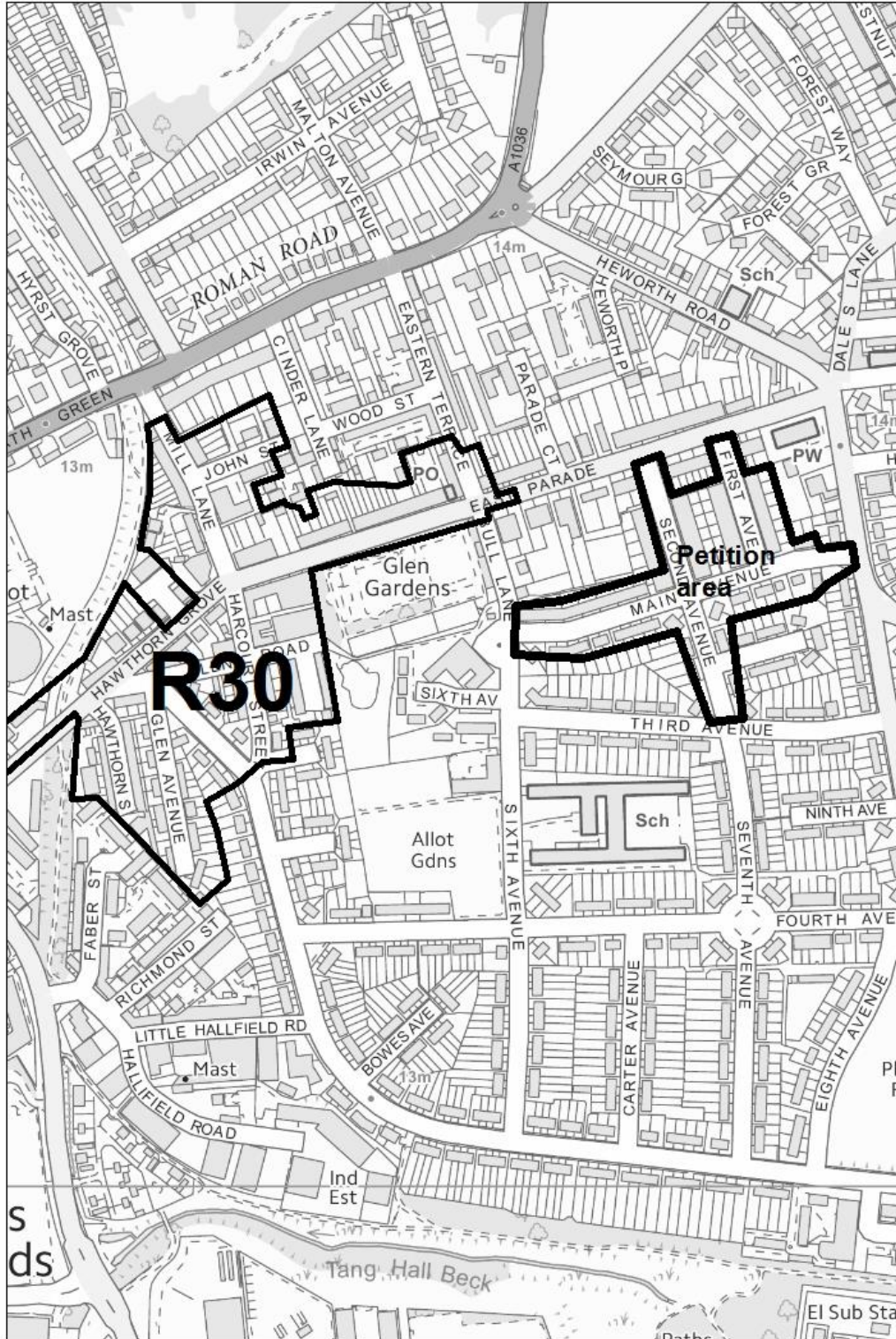
Thank you

### **Petition for Residents only Parking in Main, First and Second Avenues Heworth York**

We the Undersigned wish to petition the council to consider the possibility of establishing a Suitable Residents Only Parking scheme in Main First and Second Avenue Heworth

# Annex A2

## Plan of Main, First and Second Avenue Area



# Annex B1

## Balmoral Terrace Petition

I am following up to our previous correspondence with yourself by email, about the possibility of the priority residents parking scheme been introduced in our street. we have now got together some figures as to what the residents feel if a such scheme was introduced. it has been mixed opinion with a slight majority agreeing that it should be implemented.

I would therefore ask if you would consider our street to be listed for consultation about becoming a priority residents parking zone.

The problems in our street have worsened since the introduction of the new zone R58. This has pushed the commuters to park in our street all day, and we have noticed an increase of cars and vans parking overnight that don't belong to residents in our street.

Since we are still in the early days of the impact of the R58 zone been introduced, should we be placed on the list, by the time this process gets to the point of the residents been canvased by yourselves, I believe the numbers supporting the scheme will increase.

I have enclosed a copy of the letters we sent and reply's we have received, out of the 66 houses in our street we had 29 replies 13 agreeing, 11 against and 5 not committing either way, even those against have agreed there is a problem but they just don't want to pay for it.

I hope that if we are considered when you come to canvas in a more official capacity, that you would get a better response.

I would appreciate if you could keep us updated as to any decisions and I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind Regards

Dear residents of Balmoral Terrace

I would appreciate if you would take the time to read this letter and give us some feedback and your opinion about the parking in our street.

I am sure you are all aware of how difficult it has become to park in our street recently, this has increased since some of our neighbouring streets have become subject to the resident's priority parking schemes.

I have lived on this street for 27 years, in the last few years this problem has been getting increasingly worse. I like most people have previously objected to having to pay to park, but I have become so frustrated by the difficulty in parking, I would now be happy to pay, to what I believe would increase the chance of getting parked.

You may be aware that between 7.30 and 8.30am there are several vehicles that park in our street, the occupants of which park then either walk or cycle to work, we also seem to have a number of work vans that park overnight in our street that do not appear to be residents, I believe this is because we are one of the last streets not have restrictions, therefore our street is now becoming a magnet for people wanting to park for free all day.

Both Steph and I are willing to canvas the street, to gain opinion on what the residents think and if you would like us to take this further. this process I am told can take as long as 18 months to be enforced, this depends on how popular it is with residents. If most residents agree it can take less time. I would appreciate if you would fill the attached form and put it through either my or Steph's door, we can then gather the consensus of how popular this would be. If the majority is in favour, we would be happy to begin the process of moving forward with the scheme.

I am aware that this does come at a cost to residents, the cost varies depending on the type of vehicle you have and how many vehicles per household. the following information has been gathered from the city of York council website, if you look under the resident's priority parking scheme, you can find out more information. If you don't have access to the internet and want more information, please ask on the attached form and we will be happy to gather this for you.

If you do not have a vehicle yourself, you can still purchase visitors parking permits from the council at the cost of £6.25 for 5 permits, a permit lasts until 10am the following day allowing guests to stay overnight and only using one permit.

Information from the council website is as follows:

**Cost of household parking permits** You can have a permit for 3, 6, 9 or 12 months. The cost of your permit depends on how long you want the permit for.

There are also 3 different rates available depending on the level of emissions that your vehicle produces and the size of your vehicle.

Discounted rate

You may be eligible for a discount dependent on your vehicle type:

short car parking discounts are available if your car is shorter than 2.7 metres in length



low emission parking discounts are available for electric/LPG powered cars and cars with emissions up to 120g/km<sup>2</sup> (vehicle tax bands A-C)

You can find vehicle tax information on a new or used car online from the [Vehicle Certification Agency](#).

#### Standard rate

You'll be charged the standard rate if the emissions are 121g to 185g/Km<sup>2</sup> (vehicle tax bands D to I).

#### Premium rate

You'll be charged the premium rate for your household permit if the emissions are over 185g/Km<sup>2</sup> (vehicle tax bands J to M) or your vehicle is longer than 5m.

#### Rates for the first permit at an address

Number of months	Discounted rate	Standard rate	Premium rate
3 Months	£15.25	£30.50	£41.00
6 Months	£30.50	£61.00	£82.00
9 Months	£45.75	£91.50	£123.00
12 Months	£49.98	£99.95	£136.00

#### Rates for additional permits at an address

The discounted or premium rates only apply to the initial permit at an address, and don't apply to additional permits.

The rates for additional permits are fixed and determined by the number of additional permits required.

Number of months	First additional permit	Second additional permit	Third additional permit
3 Months	£57.25	£100.00	£200.00
6 Months	£114.50	£200.00	£400.00
9 Months	£171.75	£300.00	£600.00
12 Months	£182.50	£370.00	£750.00

Thank you for your time and we look forward to your feedback be it positive or negative, if you would like to provide your mobile telephone number we will be happy to keep you informed, please could you return the form no later than 1<sup>st</sup> June, if by then the majority is in favour of the scheme, we will approach the council to take it to the next stage, after we the 1<sup>st</sup> June we will then post another letter through to let you know what the response has been.

Yours sincerely

*copy  
OF RESIDES  
Agreeing*

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**Feedback for resident's priority parking scheme**

**Please return by 1<sup>st</sup> June 2018**

Name

Address

Mobile No:

**Any feedback and comments**

## Balmoral Terrace Plan



# Annex C

## Residents Parking Waiting List

Residents parking schemes are dealt with in order of when they are received.

Typically 2 schemes might be introduced per year but this depends on funding and other workload priorities.

Process	Approximate timescale
<b>Stage 1 – initiation</b> The request (normally by petition) indicating significant support in an area or street is reported for either approval to take forward or refuse.	8 weeks

When the potential scheme reaches the top of the list work begins.

The time between stage 1 and 2 varies significantly depending on the length of the waiting list.

<b>Stage 2 – start of project</b> A draft scheme and questionnaire will be sent out to all properties within the proposed area. A proposal will normally be taken forward if there is at least a 50% response rate and the majority of returns are in favour. Depending on circumstances, there is potential for individual streets to go forward from an area if the streets return is very positive whilst the areas is either low or opposed. The consultation is then reported along with a proposed scheme for approval to advertise a Traffic Regulation Order. TRO preparation and advertising Any objections to the proposed TRO are then reported for consideration. If the objections are overturned the scheme will then be implemented.	6 – 8 weeks  8 weeks  4 - 6 weeks  8 weeks  12 - 15 weeks
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Once work on a scheme begins it will normally take 9 months to complete.

### Waiting List

Area	Date received	Progress (NOTE: not all will get through to implementation)	
Rosedale Street Petition	April 2017	Reported Consultation carried out Consultation report TRO advertised Objections report Implemented/dropped	Yes Yes
Danesmead estate Petition  <b>SEE LINK BELOW</b>	April 2017	Reported Consultation carried out Consultation report TRO advertised Objections report Implemented/dropped	Yes Yes
Sussex Road petition	May 2017	Reported Consultation carried out Consultation report TRO advertised Objections report Implemented/dropped	Yes Yes
Clifton Dale	June 2017	Reported Consultation carried out Consultation report TRO advertised Objections report Implemented/dropped	Yes
Broadway / Westmorland Drive <b>LINK with Danesmead estate above</b>	Sept. 2017	Reported Consultation carried out Consultation report TRO advertised Objections report Implemented/dropped	Yes Yes
Pasture Farm Close	Sept. 2017	Reported Consultation carried out Consultation report TRO advertised Objections report Implemented/dropped	Yes

Area	Date received	Finished	
Main Avenue, First Avenue and Second Avenue	May. 2018	Reported Consultation carried out Consultation report TRO advertised Objections report Implemented/dropped	Yes
Balmoral Terrace	June. 2018	Reported Consultation carried out Consultation report TRO advertised Objections report Implemented/dropped	Yes

Area	Date received	Finished	
South Bank Avenue Petition	Summer 2016	Implemented	Yes
Butcher Terrace area Petition	Summer 2016	Implemented	Yes
Phoenix Boulevard Petition	Summer 2016	Implemented	Yes
Railway Terrace / St Paul's area Petition	Summer 2016	Implemented	Yes
St. Aubyn's Place	February 2017	Implemented	Yes
St. John's Place and Chestnut Court	August 2017	Reported	NO ACTION