

Meeting	Decision Session - Executive Member for Transport
Date	20 June 2019
Present	Councillor D'Agorne

85. 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.

Cllr D'Agorne declared a personal non-prejudicial interest in agenda item 4 (Consideration of Objections to advertised proposal to introduce a residents priority parking area on the Danesmead Close Estate). He advised that he lived just outside the area of the proposed residents' priority parking area and whilst he could be affected by any resulting displacement of parking caused if the scheme was taken forward, he was not affected by the proposal itself. He stated that the three registered speakers for this item were known to him in his capacity as Ward Councillor.

In relation to comments made by one of the speakers, he also confirmed that his daughter had previously attended the Steiner School but advised that this was some time ago as she was now in her mid twenties and he advised that he still had links with the school and attended events there.

86. Minutes

Resolved: That the minutes of the Decision Session of the Executive Member for Transport and Planning held on 14 March 2019 be noted and signed by the Executive Member for Transport as a correct record.

87. Public Participation

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

The first speaker, Sarah Costello, attended the meeting with Dringhouses and Woodthorpe Ward Councillor, Councillor Fenton, and another local resident to present a petition. This had been collected by the Revival Residents Association calling for a residents parking scheme to be implemented on the Revival Estate (off the Askham Bar Roundabout on the Former York College Site) and for the speed limit on the estate to be lowered from 30mph to 20 mph. She explained that the estate had seen an increase in traffic and parking by students attending the college. Damage to vehicles and reckless driving had been witnessed and residents had experienced problems accessing their properties and there was a concern regarding access for emergency vehicles. She advised that an estate parking group had been formed which had consulted ward councillors, York College and undertaken an opinion survey of residents. She handed over the results of this survey and suggested that, as the majority of problems were due to parking by students, the problem could be addressed by a scheme running weekdays 10am to 3pm during school term times only. The Executive Member advised that the petition would be added to waiting list and would be dealt with in line with the normal process for requests for ResPark schemes detailed at page 35 of the agenda and that the speed limit issue would be dealt with under a separate report.

The following three speakers all spoke in relation to the only agenda item – Consideration of Objections to an advertised proposal to introduce a Residents Priority Parking Area on the Danesmead Estate. The Executive Member clarified that the proposals being considered at this meeting were in relation to the Danesmead Estate only and not Fulford Cross which would be moved forward once issues with education land had been resolved.

Mr Keir Brown, Community Relations Mandate Holder for the Steiner School addressed the Executive Member on behalf of the school. He advised that he was objecting on the grounds of the proposed 10 minute maximum waiting time for non-permit holders not being long enough for parents to be able to drop off and pick up children from the school. He explained that, as one

of the only Steiner schools in the north east of England, the school did not have a typical catchment and many families travelled by car from far afield. Furthermore, the school relied on help from volunteers and the attached business wing also attracted visitors. He welcomed the additional options included in the report acknowledging that, while 3 hours would be ideal, 30 minutes waiting time would be much better than the proposed 10 minutes waiting time.

Mr Ben Thorpe, a local resident, spoke in relation to the proposed residents parking scheme on Fulford Cross. He expressed concerns that the decision about Danesmead Estate was being made separately to that regarding Fulford Cross. He advised that residents of Fulford Cross resisted using their cars during the daytime for fear of losing their parking spaces and that the published information did not refer to the additional consultation and previous decisions made about Fulford Cross. He expressed the view that decisions on both Danesmead Estate and Fulford Cross should be made together.

Mr Jamie Wood, a local resident, spoke against the implications of option 1 being selected without further consultation. He expressed the opinion that Broadway West should have been included in all consultations conducted with Danesmead and Fulford Cross. He advised that approving a scheme on the Danesmead Estate could concentrate parking on Broadway West and expressed dismay that when consultation took place, it wasn't made clear that each street would be considered on an individual basis. He advised that he supported option 6, to defer the decision and undertake additional consultation with residents on options 3, 4 and 5.

88. Consideration of Objections to an Advertised Proposal to Introduce a Residents Priority Parking Area on the Danesmead Estate

The Executive Member considered a report which set out the representations received to the advertised proposal to introduce a Residents' Priority Parking Area on the Danesmead Close Estate in order to determine what action was appropriate from the five options detailed in the report.

The Executive Member acknowledged that increasing the waiting time for non-permit holders from 10 minutes to either 30 minutes or 3 hours would require authorisation being obtained

from the Department for Transport and this could delay implementation of the scheme for a further 8 weeks.

The Executive Member noted that the Executive were due to consider a report in August seeking agreement for a piece of land at Danesgate School, currently in education remit, to become adopted highway and, if this occurred, the proposed Fulford Cross residents parking scheme could progress to advertisement. Should the land remain in Education remit, officers would report back to the Executive Member at that time. Officers advised that the Executive Member could make a decision today on the Danesmead Estate scheme but ask that both Danesmead and Fulford Cross schemes be implemented together, although they advised that this could potentially delay implication of the Danesmead scheme.

In relation to concerns raised by the speaker in relation to displacement parking on Broadway West, the Executive Member acknowledged that normal procedure allowed neighbouring streets, within 18 months of implementation of a residents parking scheme in an adjoining street to petition the council for additional consultation. If this occurred the neighbouring street would bypass the waiting list and consultation for a scheme would take place as soon as resources allowed.

Having considered the five options presented in the report and taking into account the original request for a residents parking scheme, the consultation responses, the small number of representations received in objection to the proposal, the views presented by speakers including the impact on the Steiner School of the 10 minute waiting time, the Executive Member expressed his support for option 4. He felt that this would respond to residents' desire for a scheme but would address the school's request for a longer waiting time to drop offs while still being very similar to what residents had been consulted on.

Resolved: That Option 4 be approved: to implement an amendment to the Traffic Regulation Order to introduce a new residents priority parking area on the Danesmead estate to operate from Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm (to be allocated the zone number R63), to be implemented with a lesser restriction than advertised to give 30 minute parking for non-permit holders. This is subject to obtaining

authorisation from the Department of Transport (DfT) for the required regulatory signage.

Reason: To progress the majority views of the residents consulted by removing long term non residential parking but still allowing parents/carers of York Steiner School the requested time limit for pick up and drop off and allow short term customer parking for the business outlets.

Cllr D'Agorne, Executive Member
[The meeting started at 4.00 pm and finished at 4.35 pm].

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