

Decision making
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Officer in Consultation

Date 27 May 2014

Heworth Ward – Huntington Road

Decision Requested To overturn, uphold, or amend, as appropriate, the objections made to proposed Traffic Regulation Orders in the Heworth Ward.

Representations, including a petition requesting relocation of the crossing, have been received to proposals outlined below:

1. An amendment to the Traffic Regulation Order to prevent parking on the footway adjacent to the zebra crossing at 197 – 215 Huntington Road.
2. A timed parking restriction (30 minutes) in the lay-by outside the post office/Spar at 191 - 195 Huntington Road. A plan of the proposal is attached as Annex A.



Reason for Proposal

To prevent the continual parking on the paved verge at this location and prevent displaced residential vehicles parking for long periods in the lay-by area which would prevent short time parking by customers at the post office/convenience store.



Background Information

It should be noted that the City of York Council have not introduced this type of order at a pedestrian crossing previously and this request, if implemented, may set a precedent and lead to similar requests for action in other residential areas.

Concerns were raised regarding parking on the paved verge adjacent to the zig-zag road markings at the zebra crossing close to the Post Office and Spar shopping outlet on Huntington Road. The zig-zag markings only cover the carriageway for enforcement purposes and no action can be taken by our Civil Enforcement Team regarding vehicles parking on the metalled verge adjacent to them. When vehicles are parked at this location it severely limits the ability of motorists and other road users to see waiting pedestrians and the pedestrian's view of approaching traffic. Department for Transport current guidelines specify pedestrians must be able to see and be seen.

We have received 10 objections to the proposal and a petition from 15 properties with a total of 24 Signatures. In total 19 households have objected to the proposal. We have also received 2 letters of support. Details of the Objections with officer response are given in Annex B. A copy of the letter received with the petition is attached as Annex C.

Consultation Process

Notices were placed on Street and in The Press. Adjacent properties received hand delivered details of the proposal.

Community Impact Assessment

One positive and one negative impact have been identified for Age, Disability, Carers of older and disabled people and Pregnancy/Maternity groups. The negative impact is justified because, if implemented, the proposal will benefit all highway users by improving visibility and therefore safety for pedestrians and drivers using and approaching the zebra crossing. In addition it will discourage drivers from contravening existing legislation (Section 72 of the Highways Act 1835).

A copy of the Community Impact Assessment has been attached as Annex E

Statutory Powers

Road Traffic Regulation Act Sections 1,2,3, 32, 35 and 37

Ward Members and Political Party Views

See Annex D

Financial Programme Implications

The cost of implementing these proposals, if approved, can be funded from the existing budgets.

Options

The options available are:

- A. To implement the proposal as advertised.
- B. To implement the proposal in part (not to proceed with the limited parking in the lay-by area).
- C. Take no further action
- D. To defer the decision for more information or to another committee.

Level of Risk

1-3 Acceptable	✓	16-20 Action Plan	
4-8 Regular Monitoring		21-25 Registered as a corporate risk	
9-15 Constant Monitoring			

Internal Consultation

The additional lengths of restriction will have to be included in the rounds made by the parking attendants, but this will not require additional staff. There are no legal, financial, sustainability, equalities, property, crime and disorder or other implications.

Implementation Status

Proposal advertised	April 2014
Work in progress	May 2014
Process finalised	July depending on decision made

Recommendations

- Option B, Implement the proposal in part.

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Wards Affected: Heworth

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Annex

- A. Plan of the proposal
- B. Details of objections received
- C. Copy of the petition letter
- D. Comments from Ward Members and Political representatives
- E. Community Impact Assessment