



**OFFICER REPORT TO LOCAL COMMITTEE
(EPSOM AND EWELL)**

**EPSOM AND EWELL PARKING REVIEW – PHASE 6:
CONSIDERATION OF FORMAL OBJECTIONS
FOR CHURCH ROAD, ESPOM**

5 December 2011

KEY ISSUE

To acknowledge the result of the formal consultation and consider any resultant objections, following the advertisement of the proposed scheme, and to decide how to proceed with the parking proposals on Church Road in Epsom.

SUMMARY

The Local Committee resolved on 27 June 2011 that parking controls in Epsom and Ewell should be progressed on Church Road for road traffic safety reasons. The proposals are shown on the drawing attached.

In accordance with the legal process those controls were formally advertised in the Sutton and Epsom Guardian on 03 November 2011 with the formal objection period closing on 24 November 2011.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS

The Local Committee (Epsom and Ewell) is asked to agree:

- (i) that the County Council makes amendments to existing traffic regulation orders and introduces new traffic regulation orders as necessary for the recommended parking controls to be implemented
- (ii) the recommended parking controls are implemented.

1 INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The proposals for the Epsom and Ewell parking review (Phase 6) were taken to committee on 27th June 2011 and the proposals were agreed to advertise, following consultation of resident permit areas within Epsom and Ewell.
- 1.2 Included within this report were proposals to restrict parking on Church Road in Epsom.
- 1.3 Following on from this, the Police have asked us to advertise the Church Road proposals as a priority, due to the safety issues that have arisen and were present at the time that the proposals were submitted to committee.
- 1.4 This was advertised for a period of three weeks beginning 03 November 2011.
- 1.5 Subsequently four objections were received. These will be available to view at the 05 December Committee meeting.
- 1.6 The Parking Team has written back to those who objected explaining the reasons for the proposals and inviting them to withdraw their objections by 02 December 2011. These will be available to view at the 05 December Committee meeting.
- 1.7 One of the objections has been subsequently withdrawn and two of the objectees had not responded by the date above.
- 1.8 One of the objectees is upholding their objection believing that parking should still be provided on Church Road

2 ANALYSIS

- 2.1 Subsequent to this upheld objection being received, we have further investigated the location and believe that forward visibility from Hawthorn Place, looking southwards up Church road to the brow of the bridge is, and would continue to be obscured making egress from Hawthorn Place, up the hill, dangerous.
- 2.2 Surrey County Councils parking Team recommends that we implement the restrictions as advertised.

3 FINANCIAL AND VALUE FOR MONEY IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 This has been financed from the Parking Strategy and Implementation Team budget.
- 3.2 Epsom and Ewell Borough Council carry out the enforcement of on street parking restrictions for Surrey County Council. The County

Council ultimately has to pay for on street enforcement so any new restrictions should be carefully considered to make sure they do not place a burden on the existing enforcement costs.

4 EQUALITIES AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

4.1 There are no equalities and diversity implications.

5 CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

5.1 There should be fewer instances of obstructive parking as a consequence of these restrictions.

6 CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

6.1 There are considerable problems in Epsom and Ewell caused by long term parking by non-residents as well as, inconsiderate parking. This can cause inconvenience to residents, and very often have adverse implications for road safety.

6.2 The recommendation is to make the necessary changes to existing Traffic Regulation Orders to enable the implementation of new parking controls.

7 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

7.1 The proposals are designed to help overcome the negative affects of the long term parking by non-residents and will help:

- to improve road safety
- to improve access for emergency vehicles
- to ease traffic congestion

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