

OFFICER REPORT TO LOCAL COMMITTEE (Mole Valley)

LEATHERHEAD WAITING RESTRICTION REVIEW

9 DECEMBER 2009

KEY ISSUE

To approve the making and implementation of a Traffic Regulation Order for amendments to waiting restrictions in Leatherhead, having regards to objections and representations received during a formal consultation period in October and November 2009.

SUMMARY

The Local Committee agreed In June 2009 to formal advertising of proposals for amendments to waiting restrictions in Leatherhead, including a residents parking scheme for one trial area. Following the advertisement in October and November 2009 some objections and representations were received. A petition for Park Rise has been received and details are given in the Annex to this report. This report recommends that all of the proposals be implemented as advertised except those for Oaks Close and Park Rise.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS

The Local Committee (Mole Valley) is asked to agree:

- (i) The recommendations as set out in paragraph 2.2 of this report.
- (ii) That subject to (i) above, the Traffic Regulation Order is made and the proposed on-street parking restrictions are implemented.

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1 INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The Local Committee at its meeting on 12 March 2008 considered a report which detailed the investigations into a number of roads within the Leatherhead area. Elected Members together with officers recommended roads to be investigated and had formulated proposals. Some consultations with residents had been carried out in December 2007 but the Committee requested that further investigation and consultation be undertaken.
- 1.2 A prioritised list of requests for waiting restrictions in Leatherhead was reported to the Local Committee in June 2009. The proposals included a trial residents parking scheme for Minchin Close, to be used as a possible basis for future resident parking schemes in Mole Valley. The Committee agreed to the formal advertisement of the restrictions with any unresolved objections being reported to a future meeting.
- 1.3 The proposed restrictions were formally advertised during October and November 2009. The formal notice was published in the local press and was also available at the libraries, Help Shop and the Borough Council Office with a full set of drawings. Street notices were also placed on street furniture in the roads affected. The formal period to receive objections ended on 12th November and the results collated to present in this report.

2 OPTIONS

- 2.1 A description of objections, responses and recommendations made resulting from the formal advertisement of the waiting restrictions are outlined in Annex 1 of this report. It is noted that the proposed Traffic Regulation Order cannot include any restriction that did not form part of the formally advertised proposals.
- 2.2 The following is a list of roads included in the formal advertisement together with the associated recommendation, as detailed in Annexe 1:

Bypass Road — Proceed as advertised.

Epsom Road – Proceed as advertised.

High Street – Proceed as advertised.

Kingston Avenue – Proceed as advertised.

Leret Way — Proceed as advertised.

Linden Road – Proceed as advertised.

Minchin Close – Proceed as advertised.

Oak Road – Proceed as advertised.

• Oaks Close — Not to proceed, but to be reconsidered.

Park Rise — Not to proceed, but to be reconsidered.

Poplar Road – Proceed as advertised.

Randalls Road – Proceed as advertised.

Windfield – Proceed as advertised.

- 2.3 No objections were received for the trial residents parking scheme for Minchin Close. However, there are requests for residents parking in other locations in Leatherhead and Mole Valley. It is intended that the scheme for Minchin Close be assessed and considered as a possible basis for future resident parking schemes in Mole Valley.
- 2.4 A petition from residents of Park Rise has been received objecting to the proposals to restrict parking in the road. The petition states that they would favour the introduction of a free residents parking scheme.

3 FINANCIAL AND VALUE FOR MONEY IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 The estimated revenue costs for the work in 2009/10 including advertising the proposals is approximately £20,000. This is being funded from the £100,000 revenue funds as agreed by the Local Committee in September 2009.
- 3.2 The estimated capital costs for implementing the restrictions on site would be approximately £30,000. This is being funded from the 2009/10 Local Allocation budget as agreed by the Local Committee in June 2009.
- 3.3 If the proposal for Minchin Close residents parking scheme is agreed it will be necessary to include within the advertised proposals the details for resident permits. It is proposed that residents without off street parking may apply for a permit at the annual cost of £50. Visitor permits would be £1 per visit up to a maximum of 30 per year per household. The cost of the permits will contribute to offsetting the additional ongoing administrative and enforcement costs associated with a resident parking scheme.

4 CONSULTATIONS

- 4.1 Leaflets were distributed during February 2009 to Kingscroft Road, Kingston Avenue, Minchin Close, Oaks Close, Park Rise, Popular Road, Randalls Road, St Johns Road & Windfield and residents were given 4 weeks to respond. The details of this consultation were presented to Committee in June 2009.
- 4.2 The formal notice was published in the local press and was also available at the libraries, Help Shop and the Borough Council Office with a full set of drawings. Street notices were also placed on street furniture in the roads affected. The proposed restrictions were formally advertised during October and November 2009.
- 4.3 Surrey Police were sent full copies of the formal notice. No comments were received.

5 EQUALITIES AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

5.1 There are no specific equality and diversity implications arising from this report

6 CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

6.1 There should be fewer instances of obstructive parking as a consequence of the restrictions

7 CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

7.1 Consultations over a considerable period of time has resulted in a set of proposed waiting restrictions that should be of overall benefit to communities in Leatherhead. Whilst objections have been received and considered, the recommendations in this report are to implement the proposals in 11 of the 13 roads listed. Further consideration is suggested for Oaks Close and Park Rise, which are not recommended for implementation of restrictions at this time.

8 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

8.1 The reasons for the recommendations are set out in Annex 1. It is considered that the implemented restrictions will be of overall benefit. Assessment of the trial residents parking scheme for Minchin Close will be essential for consideration of other similar schemes in Mole Valley. The results may be relevant to further consideration of the Oaks Close and Park Rise.

9 WHAT HAPPENS NEXT

- 9.1 Subject to approval by the Local Committee, the Traffic Regulation Order will be made and the restrictions implemented.
- 9.2 Oaks Close and Park Rise are to be given further consideration.

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