Report to the Cabinet

Meeting to be held on Thursday, 9 November 2017

Report of the Head of Service Highways

Part I

Electoral Divisions affected: Burnley Central East; Burnley Central West; Burnley North East; Burnley Rural; Burnley South West; Padiham and Burnley West

Lancashire County Council (Various Roads, Burnley, Worthsthorne-with-Hurstwood and Padiham, Burnley Borough)(Revocations and Various Parking Restrictions, May (No.1)) Order 201* (Appendices 'A' - 'C' refer)

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Executive Summary

The proposal put forward, following investigations and a public consultation is to introduce a Traffic Regulation Order to address anomalies in restrictions and to clarify, simplify and tidy up a selection of traffic orders within the Burnley District.

This is deemed to be a Key Decision and the provisions of Standing Order No. 25 have been complied with.

Recommendation

The Cabinet is recommended to approve the proposals for parking restrictions on various lengths of road within the Burnley District as detailed within this report and as set out in the schedules and plans attached as Appendices 'A' to 'C'.

Background and Advice

The sections of highway detailed within this report have been subject to the introduction and change of several Traffic Regulation Orders (TROs) through the previous years as well as undergoing minor changes to the layout of the highway. As a consequence there is now some ambiguity in the interpretation of existing TROs. For example measurements for a restriction specified in an order that relates to a junction that has been remodelled will no longer match the measurements on site. Whereas an Order can remain valid due to the measurements being correct at the



time of making, it is good practice to update a TRO accordingly. This can make the enforcement of restrictions easier and more efficient to administer.

Another, more limited example is where restrictions have become obsolete and physically removed without the legal order being revoked.

The proposals described in this report will not affect any existing signs and road markings but would make the legal or order consistent with them.

Consultations

The proposed Order was advertised in the local newspaper during the consultation period of 7 July to 4 August 2017. One objection was received in response to the following proposal.

• Church Street, Burnley

The basis for the objection is set out below:

St Peter's Parish Church objected to the proposals as this would prevent parking outside the Church on Sundays except in the evening. The Parish Church requires parking all day on Sunday to facilitate the three services which are held, together with occasional concerts and other events on Sunday afternoons.

Officer Response

On consideration of the objection the high demand around the church was recognised and agreed that allowing parking on a Sunday in this specific area would not have an adverse impact on the highway network.

Therefore the proposed order was modified to amend the restrictions set out in Church Street, Burnley directly outside the Church from 'No Waiting 8am-6.30pm' to 'No Waiting Mon-Sat 8am-6pm' to allow parking on a Sunday. The order was readvertised with the amendments from 16 August 2017 to 13 September 2017. The Parish Church withdrew their objections in light of the amendments and no further objections were received.

At this time the introduction of the Traffic Regulation Order as advertised is recommended.

Implications:

This item has the following implications, as indicated:

Financial

As the proposed Order will not make changes to provisions already in place there will be no financial implications.

Risk management

The purpose of the Order is to correct inconsistencies between the data held that produces the legal Order and the provisions on the street. This work will ensure that measurements and Orders are up to date. As will all parking provisions these are introduced to improve safety for all highway users.

List of Background Papers

Paper

Date

Contact/Tel

None

Reason for inclusion in Part II, if appropriate

N/A