

Report to the Cabinet

Meeting to be held on Thursday, 18 January 2018

Report of the Head of Service - Highways

Part I

Electoral Divisions affected:
Please see background below

Lancashire County Council (Various Road, Burnley, Fylde, Hyndburn, Preston, Rossendale, South Ribble and West Lancashire Borough) (Revocations and Various Parking Restrictions (July/August No1)) Order 201*
(Appendices 'A' to 'I' refer)

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Executive Summary

Following investigations and a public consultation it is proposed to introduce a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) to address anomalies in restrictions and to clarify, simplify and tidy up a selection of traffic orders that have been identified in the Burnley, Fylde and Preston districts. In addition new restrictions are proposed in the districts of Hyndburn, Preston, Rossendale, South Ribble and West Lancashire to restrict waiting and prohibit loading/unloading. The restrictions will improve safety on the highway for all users whilst providing amenity parking.

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 the various lengths of road within the Burnley, Fylde, Preston, Hyndburn, Rossendale, South Ribble and West Lancashire Districts as detailed within this report and as set out in the schedules and plans attached at Appendices 'A' to 'I'.

Background and Advice

It is proposed to revoke existing restrictions which have become obsolete and introduce waiting restrictions and prohibition of loading/unloading restrictions as detailed within the Appendices 'A' to 'I' within the districts of Burnley, Fylde, Preston, Hyndburn, Rossendale, South Ribble and West Lancashire to improve the safety of

all highway users whilst providing parking amenities. A detailed statement of reasons for each proposal is contained within Appendix 'I'.

Electoral Divisions affected are the following:

Burnley Central West, Burnley South West, Fylde East, Great Harwood, Leyland Central, Lytham, Ormskirk, Penwortham West, Preston City, Preston North, Preston South West, Rishton & Clayton-le-Moors, Rossendale South, Rossendale West, St Annes North, St Annes South, and West Lancashire West

Consultations

Formal consultation was carried out between 27 September 2017 and 27 October 2017 and advertised in the local press. Notices were displayed on site for all areas where new restrictions were proposed. The divisional County Councillors were also consulted.

Notices were not placed at the locations of the existing restrictions where no material change to the restrictions currently on site are proposed.

During the consultation period one comment and two objections were received in response to this proposal as set out below:

Comment on the Proposal

Rossendale

Bury Road-Manchester Road, Haslingden – (See Appendix 'F' for proposals)

Correspondence was received from a District Councillor relating to the proposed restrictions on Bury Road and Manchester Road, Haslingden. Whilst the councillor has confirmed support for the proposed restrictions concerns were expressed that without enforcement the restrictions proposed would be ineffective. Physical measures, such as bollards were requested at some point in the future to ensure compliance.

Officers' response

The proposal is in line with the advice given in the Highway Code not to park within 10 metres of a junction. The restriction, should it be approved, would be subject to enforcement.

The request for bollards will be kept under review. The police have been informed about the issues relating to obstruction of footways.

Objections

West Lancashire

Summerwood Lane, Halsall – (See Appendix 'H' for proposals)

Objections to the proposed restrictions were received from a Parish Councillor and a County Councillor on the grounds that the proposal does not adequately address the

current parking and obstruction issues. Parking within the area, particularly during the school drop off and pick up periods cause congestion and safety concerns as a result of the inadequate carriageway widths available for larger vehicles such as heavy good vehicles and tractors to manoeuvre between parked vehicles safely.

Officers' response

In light of the concerns raised by residents it is proposed that the proposed restrictions be withdrawn at this time. A review of the proposals for this location will be undertaken and any amendment made to the scheme will be formally consulted on at a future date.

Implications:

This item has the following implications, as indicated:

Financial

The costs of the Traffic Regulation Order will be funded from the County Council Revenue Budget for new signs and lines at an estimated cost of £4,500.

Risk management

Road safety may be compromised should the proposed restrictions not be approved.

List of Background Papers

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Reason for inclusion in Part II, if appropriate		
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