OFFICER DECISION IN CONSULTATION WITH CABINET MEMBER

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Officer:

Mike Robinson

PROPOSED WAITING RESTRICTIONS - KIRKNEWTON CLOSE, HARDWICK

SUMMARY

This report presents the results of the consultation exercise carried out to determine the public consensus for the parking options considered for the area behind Kirknewton Close, Ketton Road, Killerby Close and Kininvie Walk. It also seeks to confirm your approval to the scheme as shown on **Drawing C.950.G.004** (option 3) in Appendix 1 to be implemented this financial year and to be funded out of the 2008/9 Residents Parking Schemes budget.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1 The results of the consultation exercise be noted.
- Approval to the scheme, as shown on Drawing C.950.G.004 (option 2) in Appendix
 1, be given to be funded from the 2008/9 Residents Parking Schemes budget.
- 3 Approval be given to the Director of Law and Democracy to process the Traffic Regulation Order in due course.
- 4 The local Councillors and local residents be informed of your decision.

DETAIL

Background

- 1 Following the approval that was given to the Hardwick Residents Parking Scheme in November 2007, a further complaint has been received from a resident of Killerby Close regarding problems experienced with garages being blocked by parked vehicles on Kirknewton Close to the rear of Killerby Close and Kininvie Walk. This problem has been investigated and as a result, options have been considered for control of parking within the vicinity of these garages.
- 2 Three options have been considered which can be seen on **Drawing C.950.G.004** in **Appendix 1** and are as follows;
 - Option 1. Advisory 'Keep Clear' markings adjacent to and opposite the garage doors.
 - Option 2. Double yellow lines adjacent to and opposite the garage doors.

Option 3. Double yellow lines around the edge of the whole area.

A fourth option was considered which was for the area to remain as it is with no changes.

Consultation

- 3 The residents of the 25 properties who back onto the area in question have been consulted on the possible proposals. Each resident was sent a covering letter, **Drawing Number C.950.G.004**, a reply slip and a pre-paid envelope.
- 4 Seven responses were received, two of which favoured Option 1 (Advisory 'Keep Clear' markings adjacent to and opposite the garage doors), two favoured Option 2 (Double yellow lines adjacent to and opposite the garage doors) and three respondents favoured Option 3 (Double yellow lines around the edge of the whole area). Nobody who responded asked to retain the status quo.
- 5 It is clear that there is a desire amongst residents to do something but that there is no consensus on the preferred solution. However, 4 of the replies, by preferring Options 1 or 2 would like the end of the cul-de-sac to remain restriction free so it is recommended that Option 2 be progressed.
- 6 The Council's Enforcement section will be consulted on the proposals via Officers Traffic Group.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The estimated cost of advertising the new Traffic Regulation Order and amendments to existing Orders is £1,200 and to sign and line the scheme is a further £300. This is to be funded from the 2008/9 Residents Parking Schemes budget.

POLICY CONTENT

The Council's Parking Policy was approved by Cabinet in November 2004 as part of the business case application for the take up of Decriminalised Parking Enforcement powers.

The business case was submitted to the Secretary of State in January 2005. The proposals to control commuter parking in residential areas are consistent with the Local Transport Plan and Agenda 21. It is also in accordance with the Community Plan in securing a safe and attractive environment for current and future generations.

CONSULTATION

As noted above. The Officers' Traffic Group will be consulted on the proposed scheme. The Traffic Regulation Order will be subject to statutory advertising on site and in local press as part of the legal process.

Both Ward Councillors for the Hardwick Ward have been consulted on the proposals and the results of the public consultation exercise. Councillor Mrs Liz Nesbitt has given her support. No response has yet been received from Councillor Bill Noble.

CONCLUSIONS

This Residents Parking Scheme was prioritised from the request list and satisfies the assessment criteria. The desire for additional 24 hour waiting restrictions near Kirknewton Close was identified following the scheme's public consultation exercise. It is recommended that the scheme be progressed as described.

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Environmental Implications

Resident parking schemes may encourage commuters to use alternative means of transport which will reduce peak hour congestion.

Community Safety Implications

The scheme will address residents concerns relating to road safety and parking.

Background Papers

SD.T.386 Residents Parking Zone scheme selection TS.T.23.07 - Piper Knowle Road / Ketton Road Area, Hardwick - Proposed Residents Permit Parking Scheme

Education Related Item?

No.

Ward(s) and Ward Councillors

Hardwick Ward : Councillors Bill Noble and Liz Nesbitt

Signed by the Delegated Officer Date

Mike Robinson Head of Technical Services

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I accept / do not accept the above recommendations.

Signed	Date
Cllr R Cook (Cabinet Member for Regeneration & Transport)	
Comments	