**AGENDA ITEM** 

REPORT TO APPEALS & COMPLAINTS COMMITTEE

27 JUNE 2018

REPORT OF DIRECTOR OF ECONOMIC GROWTH & DEVELOPMENT

# BUTTS LANE AND GRISEDALE CRESCENT, EGGLESCLIFFE – PROPOSED NO WAITING AND LOADING AT ANY TIME RESTRICTIONS

The purpose of this report is to seek Member's views regarding outstanding objections received following the advertising of a proposal to introduce no waiting at any time (NWAAT) and no loading at any time (NLAAT) restrictions on Butts Lane and Grisedale Crescent, Egglescliffe (**Appendix 1**) in order to prevent parking causing an obstruction to two-way traffic flow and causing conflict with vehicles entering and exiting Butts Lane.

#### 1.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that:-

- (i) Members give consideration to the objections raised and the comments of the Director of Economic Growth & Development.
- (ii) The local Ward Councillors and the objectors are informed of the Committee's recommendation.

#### 2.0 DETAIL

As a result of complaints received from both the Egglescliffe Residents Association and local residents regarding the obstructive parking occurring on Butts Lane around its junction with A67 Yarm Road, it was initially proposed to introduce no waiting at any time restrictions (NWAAT) on the north/east side of Butts Lane, from its junction with Yarm Road to its junction with Grisedale Crescent and to introduce NWAAT restrictions on Grisedale Crescent.

A consultation exercise was undertaken with affected residents, the results of the consultation exercise showed that from a total of 9 letters sent out to residents directly affect by the proposal. A total of 4 responses were received, 3 (75%) supporting the proposal, whilst 1 (25%) did not.

Following additional mandatory consultation with the Police and Stockton Borough Council Civic Enforcement Service, the proposal was amended to also include NWAAT & NLAAT on both sides of Butts Lane between its junctions with Yarm Road (although the lining will only initially be marked on the north side of Butts Lane) and Grisedale Crescent and a reduction in the lengths of the restrictions on Grisedale Crescent to match the lengths of the existing white 'H' markings. The introduction of the NLAAT restrictions will enable the Civic Enforcement Officers to effectively and efficiently enforce all obstructive parking on Butts Lane and Grisedale Crescent including that of blue badge holders.

The reduction in the lengths of the proposed restrictions on Grisedale Crescent would provide temporarily parking for drivers displaced from Butts Lane as an alternative to parking on the south side of Butts Lane near its junction with Yarm Road where it may cause conflict with vehicles entering and exiting Butts Lane.

The amended proposal was agreed by the Local Ward Councillors and Egglescliffe & Eaglescliffe Parish Council. "The Borough Of Stockton-On-Tees Butts Lane and Grisedale Crescent, Egglescliffe Traffic Regulation Order 2018" was advertised as mandatory advertising in the Evening Gazette on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2018 with the statutory objection period ending on Friday 30 March 2018. Following publication of the statutory Notices, the Traffic & Network Safety Manager formally received one email (1 objection) **Appendix 2**.

#### 3.0 DETAILS OF THE OBJECTIONS/COMMENTS AND RESPONSES

**Appendix 3** includes a copy of the response from:

• tomswailes@gmail.com (dated 29 March 2018)

The following table summarises the objection received and the Council's response.

### **OBJECTION 1 (tomswailes@gmail.com)**

CONCERN	COMMENTS
That parking would be displaced from the areas covered by the proposed no waiting & no loading at any time restrictions to the areas in front of 9, 11 & 15 Butts Lane and opposite 8, 10 and 12 Butts Lane, which would generate an increase in levels of congestion, pollution and litter in the area.	The proposed restrictions were put forward following complaints received from both Egglescliffe Residents Association and local residents regarding the obstructive parking occurring on Butts Lane around its junction with A67 Yarm Road. The obstructive parking was largely due to vehicles parking all day which were suspected to be from employees working out of Yarm High Street attempting to avoid charges. The purpose of the proposed restrictions will remove these vehicles and will ensure that vehicles entering and egressing from Butts Lane to and from A67, Yarm Road can do so safely without coming into conflict with parked traffic, which in turn is expected to help reduce the congestion on during peak periods.
	It is also anticipated that the installation of the proposed restrictions would allow drivers to observe pedestrian movements at school picking-up and dropping-off times which would improve road safety. It is considered inappropriate to extend the lengths of the proposed restrictions to cover the properties of 9, 11 & 15 Butts Lane as these properties all benefit from off street parking. It was also felt that the introduction of school time waiting restrictions would inconvenience residents who would then be

forced to remove their vehicles from the restrictions during the enforcement hours in order to avoid receiving a penalty charge notice.
Site observations indicated that parking may not migrate outside 8, 10 & 12 Butts Lane as there is no footway in front of these properties for pedestrians to use.

#### 5.0 FINANCIAL & LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

The estimated cost of processing the Order and for the associated lining works is £2,500. The Western ATS stakeholders will fund agreed measures from their 2017/18 budget allocation.

#### 6.0 POLICY CONTENT

The restrictions will assist with the safe and expeditious movement of traffic and pedestrians on the affected lengths of Butts Lane and Grisedale Crescent, Egglescliffe.

#### 7.0 CONSULTATION

The Officers' Traffic Group (OTG) have been consulted regarding this scheme and have no objection to this proposal. The Local Ward Councillors and Egglescliffe & Eaglescliffe Parish Council have been consulted as part of the process and no objection has been received. Scheme approval has been given by the Director of Economic Growth and Development in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport. Statutory consultations involving advertising on site and in the local press was undertaken. This resulted in 1 (one) email objection being received. The objector has been invited to the Appeals Committee Meeting.

#### 8.0 CONCLUSION

The proposed measures should prevent parking causing an obstruction to two-way traffic flow and reduce the chance of potential accidents.

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**Environmental Implications** 

None.

Community Safety Implications

None.

**Background Papers** 

Scheme of Delegation Report EGDS.T.318.17

**Education Related Item?** 

No

## Ward(s) and Ward Councillors

Eaglescliffe: Councillors P Dennis, S Houghton and L Tunney