

## DELLFIELD CRESCENT, COWLEY – PETITION REQUESTING CONTINUOUS PARKING BAYS

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<b>Papers with report</b>	Appendix A

### HEADLINE INFORMATION

<b>Purpose of report</b>	To inform the Cabinet Member that a petition has been received from residents in a section of Dellfield Crescent, which is in the Cowley Residents Parking Scheme, for the bays to be marked as continuous instead of individual bays which have waiting restrictions between them.
<b>Contribution to our plans and strategies</b>	The request will be considered as part of the Council's strategy for Residents' Permit Parking Schemes.
<b>Financial Cost</b>	There is none associated with the recommendations to this report.
<b>Relevant Policy Overview Committee</b>	Residents' and Environmental Services
<b>Ward(s) affected</b>	Uxbridge South

### RECOMMENDATION

That the Cabinet Member:

1. **Considers the petition request; and**
2. **Asks officers to take into account the petition request as part of the subsequent review of the parking scheme which will be carried out within 12 months from its operational start date.**

### INFORMATION

#### Reasons for recommendation

It is the Council's usual practice to review all new parking schemes within 12 months from coming into operation. The petition request can be considered as part of this review to determine if the majority of residents in Dellfield Crescent want to change the layout of parking bays in their road.

## **Alternative options considered**

None as the petitioners have made a specific request for the introduction of continuous parking bays.

## **Comments of Policy Overview Committee(s)**

None at this stage.

## **Supporting Information**

1. A petition with 22 signatures which has predominately come from residents of Dellfield Crescent (although a few live on the Dellfield Parade) has been submitted to the Council under the following heading:

*“ Formal petition to change the parking restrictions of Dellfield Crescent from yellow to white lines (in line with other parking zones in the area)”.*

The request from residents can be assumed to mean the introduction of continuous parking bays within Dellfield Crescent instead of the existing individual bays which are separated by waiting restrictions.

2. The location of Dellfield Crescent is indicated on Appendix A. It has junctions with High Street, Cowley via a service road which accommodates a shopping parade along the High Street frontage. The road is residential and currently is part of the Cowley Residents' Permit Parking Scheme together with all the other roads to the east. The scheme has been installed within Dellfield Crescent with individual bays as requested by residents following consultation prior to installation of the scheme.
3. The scheme came into operation in August 2009 following statutory consultation on details. The responses received from this consultation were reported to the Cabinet Member in May 2009. The report contained responses both from the Public Notice and those given at an exhibition in Yiewsley Library which was held to let residents discuss directly with Council Officers the terms, conditions and layout of the scheme. During the exhibition times at Yiewsley Library, views were expressed by some residents their preferred layout would be for continuous bays although no written responses were received on this aspect.
4. Mindful of the cost to introduce residents schemes, it was considered prudent to reconsult all residents of Dellfield Crescent on whether they preferred an individual bay layout or continuous bay layout. More than half of the residents replied and, of those who did, nearly three-quarters wanted individual bays. Consequently, the Cabinet Member, when considering all responses from both consultations, approved the installation of the scheme with individual bays in Dellfield Crescent.
5. It is clear from the petition that several residents of Dellfield Crescent who live predominately on the northern arm closest to High Street, Cowley would prefer a continuous bay layout which is the basis of the petition request. The Cabinet Member is aware the Council's normal practice is to review all parking schemes within 12 months of coming into operation. In view of the consultation responses received prior to

introduction of the scheme, it is recommended the Cabinet Member takes no action at this stage to change the bay layout in Dellfield Crescent but asks officers to include the request together with all other responses that may be received from the review and submit them in a report for the Cabinet Member to consider.

## **Financial Implications**

There are none associated with the recommendations to this report. However, the subsequent review of the Cowley Parking Scheme will require funding from a surplus of the Parking Revenue Account.

## **EFFECT ON RESIDENTS, SERVICE USERS & COMMUNITIES**

### **What will be the effect of the recommendation?**

To allow the Cabinet Member to consider the petition request in association with other reviews that may be expressed during the subsequent review of the scheme.

### **Consultation Carried Out or Required**

Statutory consultation was carried out on the scheme proposals and following this, residents of Dellfield Crescent were again consulted on what type of bay layout they preferred in their road.

## **CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS**

### **Corporate Finance**

N/A.

### **Legal**

There are no special legal implications for the proposal, which amounts to an informal consultation.

Should there be a decision that further measures are to be considered, then the relevant statutory provisions will have to be identified and considered.

In considering any informal consultation responses, decision makers must ensure there is a full consideration of all representations arising including those which do not accord with the officer recommendation. The decision maker must be satisfied that responses from the public are conscientiously taken into account.

## **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

Report to Cabinet Member 6 July 2008