TITLE: VINE LANE AND CHETWYND DRIVE, UXBRIDGE – PETITION REQUESTING TO BE INCLUDED IN THE HILLINGDON HILL PARKING SCHEME

Cabinet Portfolio	Planning and Transportation
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Papers with report	Appendix A/B

HEADLINE INFORMATION

Purpose of report	To inform the Cabinet Member that a petition has been organised
	by residents of Vine Lane asking the council to include their
	section of Vine Lane and the adjoining Chetwynd Drive into the
	proposed Hillingdon Hill Residents Permit Parking Scheme.

Contribution to our plans and strategies

The request will be considered in relation to the council's strategy for the control of on street parking.

Financial Cost

There are none associated with the recommendations to this report

Relevant Policy Overview Committee Residents and Environmental Services

Ward(s) affected

Uxbridge North Ward

RECOMMENDATION

That the Cabinet Member

- 1. Discusses with the petitioners their parking problems and options available to the council to address the concerns.
- 2. Subject to the Cabinet Member's approval to the proposed Hillingdon Hill Parking Scheme, asks Officers to include this section of Vine Lane and Chetwynd Drive within the subsequent review and carry this out at the earliest opportunity

INFORMATION

Reasons for recommendation

To address the resident's concerns with parking, these roads could be included in the Hillingdon Hill Parking Scheme review if the proposed scheme comes into operation. There may be other options available in the interim to address the resident's concerns.

PART 1 – MEMBERS, PUBLIC AND PRESS

Alternative options considered

These will be discussed with the petitioners.

Comments of Policy Overview Committee(s)

None at this stage

Supporting Information

- A petition with 45 signatures has been received from residents in the southern section of Vine Lane and the adjoining side road, Chetwynd Drive. The roads are indicated on Appendix A.
- 2. The 45 signatures on the petition represent 29 households but 6 of these are outside the area of concern. It is also noted that only 2 households out of 11 in Chetwynd Drive signed the petition.
- 3. The petitioners signed to the following request "We support the proposals for resident parking on Vine Lane and Chetwynd Drive". In a covering letter to the petition submitted by the organiser, it is pointed out residents' main concern is with the parking of commercial vehicles in Vine Lane and The Rise which they point out is connected with a nearby delivery company. The issue with parking they consider will be further compounded if a proposal for a Residents Permit Parking Scheme on Hillingdon Hill and the surrounding roads comes into operation. Consequently, the petitioners are asking to become part of that proposed Permit Parking Scheme to deter parking encroaching into their roads for extended periods of time.
- 4. In response to petitions and problems in the Hillingdon Hill area with non-residential parking, the council carried out consultation in September last year asking residents if they wanted to consider parking controls such as a Parking Management Scheme or waiting restrictions. Attached as Appendix B is a plan of the area indicating the boundary within which the consultation was carried out. As can been seen from Appendix B, this area of Vine Lane and Chetwynd Drive was included in that consultation. It is pointed out the section of Vine Lane within the consultation was larger then the extent of this petition. The results of the consultation were reported to the Cabinet Member in February this year. These showed that 3 out of 11 households in Chetwynd Drive responded and all wanted no change to the existing parking arrangements. In Vine Lane 11 out of the 38 households that were consulted replied, of which 7 wanted no change, one wanted waiting restrictions and only 3 wanted a Parking Management Scheme. Based on these responses, it could not be recommended to the Cabinet Member introduction of parking controls in Vine Lane or Chetwynd Drive as part of a proposed Residents Permit Parking Scheme. After consideration of all the consultation results, the Cabinet Member subsequently approved detailed design and formal consultation in the area shaded on Appendix B. This abuts Vine Lane.
- 5. Following the Cabinet Members approval to carryout statutory consultation, it was carried out in March/April this year and responses have been analysed and compiled into a report for the Cabinet Member to consider. If the Cabinet Member subsequently approves the installation of a Residents Permit Parking Scheme in the area indicated on Appendix B, it is the council's normal practice to carryout a review within 12 months of it coming into operation. The intention is for the scheme to start before Brunel University

reassembles after the summer break. In view of the previous consultation results and in the light of this latest petition, it is recommended to the Cabinet Member that this area is included in the subsequent review and this is undertaken at the earliest opportunity before the 12 months has elapsed if possible.

6. There is a however, a further option which may assist the residents to address parking issues by the introduction of waiting restrictions. These however, will also prohibit local residents parking themselves but this could be discussed with petitioners on the evening of the hearing to determine if there would be support for these measures which can be introduced much more quickly then a Residents Permit Parking Scheme.

Financial Implications

There are none associated with the recommendations to this report. However, if subsequently approval is sought for the introduction of a Parking Management Scheme in this area of Hillingdon Hill, it would require funding which could potentially come from the Parking Revenue Account surplus.

EFFECT ON RESIDENTS, SERVICE USERS & COMMUNITIES

What will be the effect of the recommendation?

To allow the Cabinet Member to consider the petitioners request and the available options the council have to address these concerns.

Consultation Carried Out or Required

Informal consultation had been carried out in this area with residents asking if they wanted to be part of a Residents Permit Parking Scheme. However, there would be further consultation as part of the review if a proposed scheme for the Hillingdon Hill area comes into operation.

CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS

Corporate Finance

None at this stage.

Legal

There are no special legal implications for this matter, and the recommendation of a review of the extent of the scheme in a period of less than 12 months from its implementation could take the form of an informal or statutory 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.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

Report to Cabinet Member dated 4th February 2009 Petition received 31st April 2009