

PETITION AGAINST THE PROPOSED EXTENSION TO THE SOUTH RUISLIP PARKING MANAGEMENT SCHEME OUTSIDE DEANE PARK HALL, LONG DRIVE

Cabinet Member	Councillor Keith Burrows
Cabinet Portfolio	Cabinet Member for Planning, Transportation and Recycling
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Papers with report	Appendix A

HEADLINE INFORMATION

Purpose of report	To inform the Cabinet Member that a petition has been received from the South Ruislip Community Association opposing the proposed Parking Management Scheme outside Deane Park Hall on Long Drive,
Contribution to our plans and strategies	The request can be considered in relation to the Council's strategy for on-street parking controls.
Financial Cost	There are none associated to the recommendation of this report.
Relevant Policy Overview Committee	Residents' and Environmental Services
Ward(s) affected	South Ruislip

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Cabinet Member:

1. Notes the petition submitted by the South Ruislip Community Association.
2. Agrees to defer the proposed extension to the South Ruislip Parking Management Scheme in the area directly outside Deane Park Hall.

INFORMATION

Reasons for recommendation

The petition is opposing a specific part of the proposed extension to the South Ruislip Parking Management Scheme, in the area directly outside Deane Park Hall.

Alternative options considered

None as petitioners have made a specific request

Comments of Policy Overview Committee(s)

None at this stage.

Supporting Information

1. A petition with 190 signatures has been submitted to the Council under the following heading:

“We the undersigned, support South Ruislip Community Association’s appeal against traffic restrictions being introduced along Long Drive outside the garden of Deane Park Hall. This is a popular venue for many activities and the unrestricted parking is an asset to users, particularly older people and young families.”

2. In May 2010, the Council conducted statutory consultation for a proposed extension to the South Ruislip Parking Management Scheme. The proposed extension to the scheme included the section of Long Drive between the junctions of Queens Walk and Monks Close. As part of the scheme, a mixture of resident parking between dropped kerbs and waiting restrictions along the remainder of the highway was proposed. Few resident parking bays could be proposed outside the residential properties on the southeastern side of Long Drive due to the number of driveways, so it was recommended to install a resident parking bay in the area just to the north which is outside Deane Park Hall. Attached as Appendix A is a plan indicating the proposed layout of the parking scheme along this section of Long Drive.

3. Responses received to the statutory consultation for a proposed extension to the scheme have been addressed in a separate report to the Cabinet Member for his consideration. As part of this present petition report, it has been recommended that the element of the proposed scheme outside Deane Park Hall be deferred until the petition can be heard. It was also recommended however that the rest of the scheme in this section of Long Drive be installed as proposed as no other objections were received to these proposals.

4. It is therefore recommended that the Cabinet Member discusses the proposals further with petitioners and decides if the Council should take not proceed with the proposed parking restrictions directly outside Deane Park Hall until further decisions are taken. In the meantime, it is recommended that unrestricted parking continue for users of the Hall pending the outcome of the subsequent decision making process.

Financial Implications

There are no financial implications in relation to the recommendation of this report.

EFFECT ON RESIDENTS, SERVICE USERS & COMMUNITIES

What will be the effect of the recommendation?

To allow the Cabinet Member to discuss in detail with petitioners their concerns and the subsequent action that the Council intends to take.

Consultation Carried Out or Required

None at this stage

CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS

Corporate Landlord

None at this stage.

Legal

There are no special legal implications for the recommendations mentioned above.

Should there be a decision that Deane Park Hall is to be included in the extension to the South Ruislip Parking Management Scheme at a later date, then the relevant statutory provisions will have to be identified and considered.

In considering any informal or statutory 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

None.