

## ST MARY'S ROAD, HAYES – PETITION REQUESTING A ONE-WAY WORKING

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<b>Cabinet Portfolio</b>	Planning, Transportation and Recycling
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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 local residents requesting a one-way working in St Mary's Road, Hayes.
<b>Contribution to our plans and strategies</b>	The request can be considered as part of the Council's strategy for road safety.
<b>Financial Cost</b>	There are no financial implications to this report.
<b>Relevant Policy Overview Committee</b>	Residents' & Environmental Services
<b>Ward(s) affected</b>	Townfield Ward

### RECOMMENDATION

That the Cabinet Member:

1. Meets with the petitioners to discuss in greater detail their request for a one-way working on St Mary's Road.
2. Subject to (1) asks officers to place this request on the Council's Road Safety Programme for subsequent investigation and the development of possible options when resources permit.

### INFORMATION

#### Reasons for recommendation

The petition hearing will provide a valuable opportunity to hear directly from the petitioners of their concerns and suggestions.

## **Alternative options considered / risk management**

These can be discussed in greater detail with petitioners.

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

None at this stage.

## **Supporting Information**

1. A petition with 497 signatures from local residents has been submitted to the Council under the following heading *"We the undersigned wish to propose the change of road usage to make St Mary's Road one-way"*.
2. St Mary's Road is mainly a residential road with off-street parking as well as an existing footway parking scheme on both sides of the road. A location plan is shown in Appendix A to this report. Dr Triplett's Church of England Primary School is situated in Hemmen Lane, opposite the junction of Hemmen Lane and St Mary's Road and is clearly a significant source of peak time traffic that uses Church Road on Mondays to Fridays during term time.
3. The petitioners are requesting a one-way working on St Mary's Road as they state that its junction with Hemmen Lane gets very congested and a number of near misses and minor collisions have been witnessed by local residents. Residents have also expressed concerns with road safety on the bend on St Mary's Road at its junction with St Mary's Walk stating that vehicles turning into St Mary's Road from Church Road are forced to take the bend on the wrong side of the road even at slow speeds.
4. The petition includes a plan indicating the direction of the requested one-way working on St Mary's Road. The petitioners are requesting St Mary's Road to be made one-way southbound and westbound between the junctions with Hemmen Lane and Church Road, as shown in Appendix A to this report.
5. Analysis of the police reported personal injury accident data records for the three year period ending August 2011 shows that there has been one accident with slight injury involving a pedestrian stepping out into the side of a westbound vehicle on St Mary's Road at its junction with St Mary's Walk.
6. In response to earlier suggestions received from residents via the Council's Road Safety Programme, measures have been implemented to improve road safety at the junction of St Mary's Road and St Mary's Walk including the installation of 'at any time' waiting restrictions and 'SLOW' markings.
7. There is an existing short section of one-way working on Hemmen Lane which prohibits vehicles from turning out of Hemmen Lane into Church Road. In 2009, the Council completed traffic calming improvements and the introduction of a 20mph zone on Church Road. Recently the Council has also completed the installation of a traffic calming scheme and 20mph zone on Hemmen Lane in response to a petition request from Dr Triplett's Primary School.
8. The Cabinet Member will be aware of the issues that a one-way system can create, which are factors that the petitioners may wish to consider in the context of their request. These include the likelihood that traffic speeds in a one-way system may increase, possibly raising the

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potential for road accidents. There will also be the need to ensure that all residents in connecting roads, such as Hemmen Lane, Kerstin Close, St Mary's Crescent and St Mary's Walk (as well as other roads where the residents may rely on St Mary's Road for access) are equally supportive.

9. It is suggested that the Cabinet Member meets with the petitioners to discuss in greater detail their request for a one-way working on St Mary's Road and, subject to the outcome of these discussions, adds the request to the Council's Road Safety Programme for the subsequent investigation and development of possible options to address petitioners' concerns.

### **Financial Implications**

There are none associated with the recommendations to this report. The investigation of feasible measures can be carried out with in-house resources. However, if measures are introduced in St Mary's Road, a budget will need to be identified.

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

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

It will allow further consideration of the petitioners' concerns.

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

Consultation with local residents would be carried out if suitable measures could be identified to address the petitioners' concerns.

### **CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS**

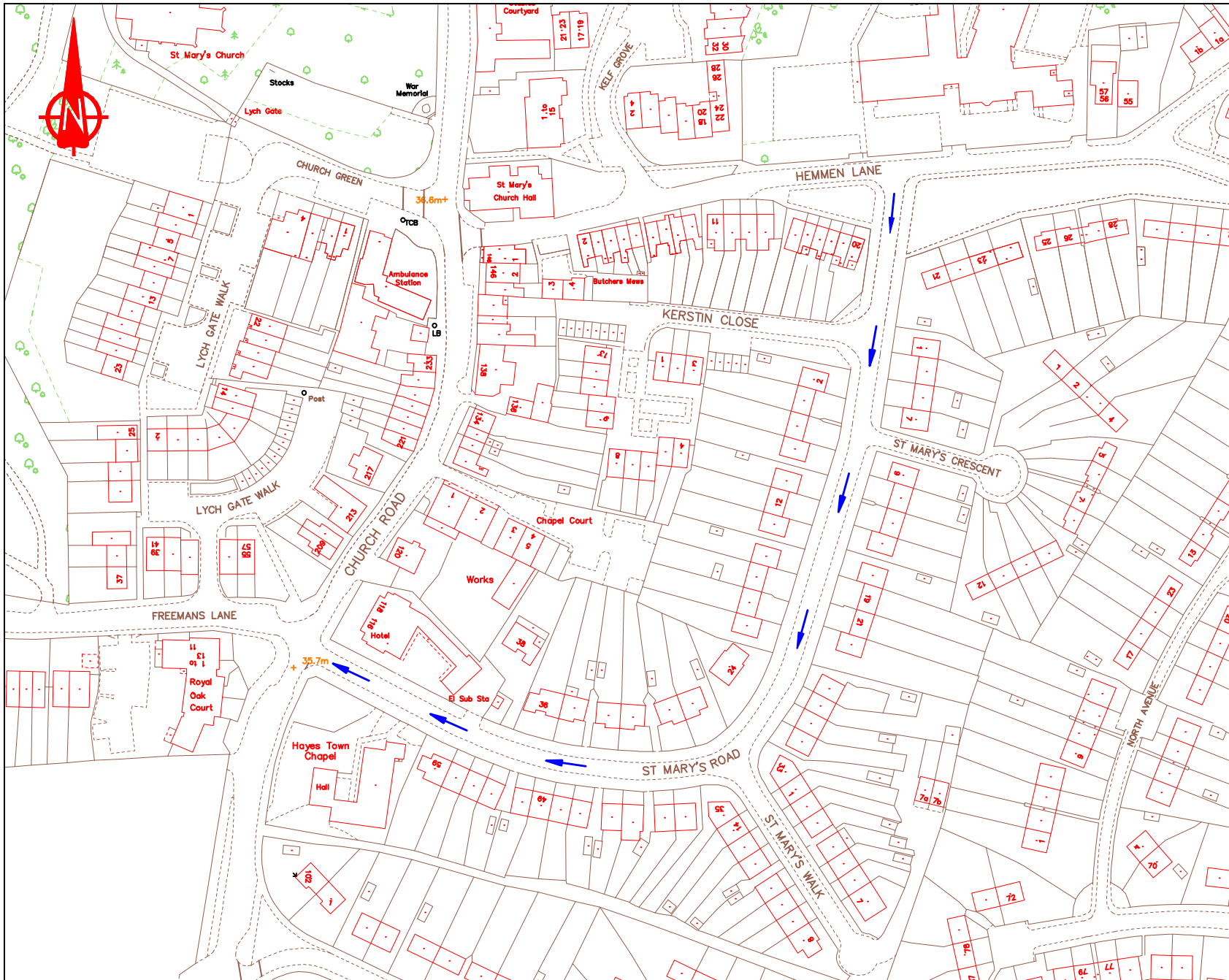
#### **Legal**

In relation to recommendation 1 and 2, at this stage there are no special legal implications for the proposed actions outlined above. However, should there be a decision that a one way system in St Mary's Road, Hayes or such other formal parking and traffic controls are to be considered, then the relevant statutory provisions will have to be identified and followed.


In all cases, there must be 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**

Petition requesting a one-way working on St Mary's Road, received 18<sup>th</sup> July 2011.



**KEY**

 Requested direction of one-way working

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Project  
**St Mary's Road, Hayes**

Description  
**Location plan**

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Project No.	Drawing No.	Rev.

APPENDIX A