

WINDSOR PARK ROAD, CRANFORD - PETITION REQUESTING A RESIDENTS' PARKING SCHEME

Cabinet Member(s)	Councillor Keith Burrows
Cabinet Portfolio(s)	Planning, Transportation and Recycling
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Papers with report	Appendix A and B

1. HEADLINE INFORMATION

Summary	To inform the Cabinet Member that a petition has been received from residents living in Windsor Park Road, Cranford asking the Council to introduce 'resident only parking' in their road. This request can be considered in relation to the Council's programme for the introduction of managed parking schemes.
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 with the recommendations to this report.
Relevant Policy Overview Committee	Residents and Environmental Services.
Ward(s) affected	Heathrow Villages

2. RECOMMENDATION

That the Cabinet Member:

- 1. Meets and discusses with petitioners their concerns with parking on Windsor Park Road, Cranford.**
- 2. Subject to 1 above, asks officers to add the request to the Council's overall parking programme for subsequent investigation.**

Reasons for recommendation

To give the Cabinet Member the opportunity to discuss in detail the petitioners' concerns

Alternative options considered / risk management

None at this stage

Policy Overview Committee comments

None at this stage.

3. INFORMATION

Supporting Information

1. A petition with 22 signatures has been received from residents living in Windsor Park Road, Cranford under the following heading:

‘We the residents of Windsor Park Road wish to set up a residential Car Permit Scheme’.
2. Windsor Park Road is a residential cul-de-sac that links with Oxford Avenue. The location is shown on the plan attached as Appendix A to this report. The extent of the current Heathrow Parking Management Scheme Zone H1 is attached as Appendix B to this report.
3. In December 2006 residents of Windsor Park Road were consulted on options to control parking in their road as part of a previous review of the Heathrow Parking Management Scheme. Responses received during this consultation indicated little support to change parking arrangements in their road. However, the Cabinet Member will be aware, it has often become apparent where parking schemes have been introduced that the residents in adjoining roads that do not perhaps suffer unduly from non-residential parking decide not to be included. The Heathrow Parking Management Scheme has been extended over the years and following inclusion of nearby roads, residents in Windsor Park Road may now be experiencing parking transfer and therefore have approached the Council to become part of a scheme.
4. It is therefore recommended that the Cabinet Member discusses with petitioners their concerns and if it is considered appropriate to include the petitioners request in a future review of the Heathrow Parking Management Scheme Zone H1. It is also suggested that subject to the outcome of the petition evening, Ward Councillors are asked for their views on a suitable consultation area because as the Cabinet Member is aware, experience has shown that it is likely parking could transfer more widely if only Windsor Park Road were to be included in an extension to the current scheme

Financial Implications

There are none associated with the recommendations in this report.

4. 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.

Consultation Carried Out or Required

None at this stage.

5. CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS

Corporate Finance

Corporate Finance has reviewed this report and concurs with the financial implications as stated.

Legal

There are no special legal implications for the proposal, which amounts to an informal consultation. A meeting with the petitioners is perfectly legitimate as part of a listening exercise, especially where consideration of the policy, factual and engineering issues are still at a formative stage. Fairness and natural justice requires that there must be no predetermination of a decision in advance of any wider non-statutory consultation.

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.

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

Corporate Property and Construction

There are no property implications resulting from the recommendations set out in this report.

Relevant Service Groups

None at this stage.

6. BACKGROUND PAPERS

Petition received June 2012.