PETITION REQUESTING PARKING RESTRICTIONS IN MANOR ROAD, RUISLIP

 Cabinet Member(s)
 Councillor Keith Burrows

 Cabinet Portfolio(s)
 Cabinet Member for Planning, Transportation and Recycling

 Officer Contact(s)
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 Papers with report
 Appendix A

1. HEADLINE INFORMATION

Summary	To inform the Cabinet Member that the Council has received a petition requesting parking restrictions to be introduced in Manor Road, Ruislip.
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 no financial implications associated with the recommendations to this report.
Relevant Policy Overview Committee	Residents' and Environmental Services.

Ward(s) affected

West Ruislip

2. RECOMMENDATION

That the Cabinet Member:

- 1. Discusses with petitioners and listens to their request for parking restrictions in Manor Road, Ruislip.
- 2. Decides if the request for parking restrictions in Manor Road, Ruislip should be added to the Council's future parking scheme programme for further investigation and more detailed consultation with residents when resources permit.

Reasons for recommendation

To allow the Cabinet Member to discuss with petitioners their concerns and if appropriate add their request to the parking schemes programme.

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Alternative options considered / risk management

These will be discussed with petitioners.

Policy Overview Committee comments

None at this stage

3. INFORMATION

Supporting Information

- 1. A petition with 30 signatures has been submitted to the Council requesting parking restrictions to be considered in Manor Road, Ruislip. In the covering letter the lead petitioner explains the difficulties that residents are experiencing with non-residential parking relating to local businesses and commuter parking due to the close proximity of the Ruislip Underground Station and shops.
- 2. Manor Road is a residential street west of High Street, Ruislip and is one of the nearest roads to the town centre which does not have parking restrictions. The location of Manor Road is indicated on the plan attached as Appendix A.
- 3. This petition has been signed by 30 of the residential properties in Manor Road which represents approximately two thirds of the total number of households in the road.
- 4. The Cabinet Member will be aware that over the past few years parking restrictions have been introduced in roads close to High Street, Ruislip following requests from residents of roads in the area. These restrictions were developed through consultation with residents and Ward Councillors and have been successful in preventing non-residential parking. However, as a result parking has now been displaced into other roads in the surrounding area including Manor Road.
- 5. It is therefore recommended that the Cabinet Member discusses with petitioners their concerns and if considered appropriate, asks officers to add this request to the future parking scheme programme and carry out an informal consultation with the residents of Manor Road and possibly other nearby roads agreed in liaison with local Ward Councillors to establish the overall level of support for parking restrictions. The outcome of this consultation would then be reported back to Ward Councillors and the Cabinet Member to assist the Council in making a decision on how best to proceed.

Financial Implications

There are none associated with the recommendations to this report, however if the Council were to consider the introduction of parking restrictions in Manor Road, funding would need to be identified from a suitable source.

4. EFFECT ON RESIDENTS, SERVICE USERS & COMMUNITIES

What will be the effect of the recommendation?

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

Consultation Carried Out or Required

If the Council subsequently investigates the feasibility to introduce parking restrictions in Manor Road, consultation will be carried out with residents to establish if there is overall support.

5. CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS

Corporate Finance

Corporate finance have reviewed the report and concur with the financial implications above, also noting that the cost of introducing the parking restrictions would have to be funded through existing revenue budgets.

Legal

There are no special legal implications for the proposal to discuss with petitioners their request for parking restrictions in Manor Road, 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

None.