

# PETITION REQUESTING RESIDENTS ONLY PARKING IN BURNHAM AVENUE, GLEBE AVENUE, MILVERTON DRIVE & SUSSEX ROAD, ICKENHAM

<b>Cabinet Member(s)</b>	Councillor Keith Burrows
<b>Cabinet Portfolio(s)</b>	Cabinet Member for Planning, Transportation and Recycling
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<b>Papers with report</b>	Appendix A

## 1. HEADLINE INFORMATION

<b>Summary</b>	To inform the Cabinet Member that the Council has received a petition requesting residents' parking to be introduced in Burnham Avenue, Glebe Avenue, Milverton Drive and Sussex Road
<b>Contribution to our plans and strategies</b>	The request can be considered in relation to the Council's strategy for on-street parking controls.
<b>Financial Cost</b>	There are no financial implications associated with the recommendation to this report.
<b>Relevant Policy Overview Committee</b>	Residents' and Environmental Services.
<b>Ward(s) affected</b>	Ickenham

## 2. RECOMMENDATION

That the Cabinet Member:

1. Discusses with petitioners and listens to their request for residents only parking in Burnham Avenue, Glebe Avenue, Milverton Drive & Sussex Road, Ickenham
2. Informs petitioners that all roads mentioned in this petition have already been included in a planned area wide consultation for options to address non-residential parking. The outcome of this consultation will be reported to the Cabinet Member to consider in due course.

## **Reasons for recommendation**

To allow the Cabinet Member to discuss with petitioners their concerns and inform residents of the planned consultation that will be taking place.

## **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 36 signatures has been submitted asking the Council to consider implementing a residents' permit parking scheme to prevent non-residential parking due to the close proximity of Glebe Primary School and displaced parking from the recent extension to the Ickenham Parking Management Scheme.
2. Burnham Avenue, Glebe Avenue, Milverton Drive and Sussex Road are residential streets situated close to Ickenham Underground Station and Glebe Primary School. As a result these roads form an attractive area for non-residents to park. A plan of the area is indicated on the plan attached as Appendix A.
3. This petition has been signed predominantly by residents of Milverton Drive but also by a combination of residents from nearby Burnham Avenue, Glebe Avenue and Sussex Road who are likely to be experiencing the same issues with parking.
4. Petitioners have indicated they would like to see a residents' parking scheme with unlimited parking permits for residents. As the Cabinet Member will be aware the Council has adopted a Borough-wide policy for Parking Management Schemes which has been in place for many years. It is the Council's current policy to provide residents with a permit for the first vehicle for free, permits for each additional vehicle are charged at £40 per year. Residents also receive 10 visitor vouchers free of charge annually and further additional vouchers can be purchased at the price of £5 for a book of 10.
5. The Cabinet Member will be aware that the Ickenham Parking Management Scheme has gradually expanded since starting in Willow Tree Close, in March 2011. Over time, residents of surrounding roads have seen the benefits of the scheme and consequently other roads have slowly been added to the scheme after going through the usual consultation processes. Following the most recent extension to the scheme in July this year, the Council has received a number of petitions and individual requests from residents asking for parking restrictions to be considered for their street. This has led the Council to prepare an area wide consultation in roads agreed in liaison with the local Ward Councillors. This consultation will provide residents with the option of

either a Parking Management Scheme, limited time waiting restriction or a third option of no change to the current parking arrangements.

6. It is therefore recommended that the Cabinet Member discusses with petitioners their concerns and explains that the Council already intends to consult the residents Burnham Avenue, Glebe Avenue, Milverton Drive and Sussex Road in a planned area wide consultation for possible parking restrictions. The consultation will establish the overall level of support for parking restrictions and the type and layout of the scheme. The outcome of this consultation will 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 Burnham Avenue, Glebe Avenue, Milverton Drive and Sussex 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?**

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

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

The Council is currently in the process of consulting residents to establish if there is overall support for parking restrictions.

## **5. CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS**

### **Corporate Finance**

Corporate finance has reviewed the report and concurs with the financial implications detailed above.

### **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. Accordingly, the Council must balance the concerns of the objectors with its statutory duty to secure the expeditious, convenient and safe movement of vehicular and other

traffic. The decision maker must be satisfied that responses from the public are conscientiously taken into account.

Should the outcome of the informal discussions with petitioners require that officers add the request to either the Council's overall parking programme or the Council's Road Safety Programme for subsequent investigation there will need to be consideration of Highways Act 1980, the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002, which govern road traffic orders, traffic signs and road markings. If specific advice is required in relation to the exercise of individual powers Legal Services should be instructed.

### **Corporate Property and Construction**

There are no corporate property and construction implications arising from the recommendations in this report.

### **Relevant Service Groups**

None at this stage.

## **6. BACKGROUND PAPERS**

Petition received – 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2014