

PRINCES WAY, SOUTH RUISLIP - PETITION AGAINST THE RESIDENTS' PERMIT PARKING SCHEME

Cabinet Member(s)	Councillor Keith Burrows
Cabinet Portfolio(s)	Cabinet Member for Planning, Transportation and Recycling
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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 opposing the introduction of a residents' permit parking scheme in Princes Way, South Ruislip.
Contribution to our plans and strategies	The request can be considered as part of the Council's strategy for residents parking schemes.
Financial Cost	There are none associated with the recommendations to this report.
Relevant Policy Overview Committee	Residents' and Environmental Services.
Ward(s) affected	South Ruislip

2. RECOMMENDATION

That the Cabinet Member:

- 1. Meets and discusses with petitioners their objections to the implementation of a residents' permit parking scheme in Princes Way, South Ruislip.**
- 2. Notes the decision made on the representations from the previous formal consultation undertaken as a direct result of a petition and requests from residents.**
- 3. Subject to the outcome of the above decides if any further action should be considered in respect of the introduction of a Parking Management Scheme in Princes Way.**

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

None at this stage.

Policy Overview Committee comments

None at this stage.

3. INFORMATION

Supporting Information

1. A petition with a total of 93 signatures of which 21 are deemed valid in terms of the Council's Constitution, has been submitted to the Council under the following heading:

"Petition to protest against proposed Residents' Parking Scheme in Princes Way, South Ruislip".

2. The petition has been signed by residents of Victoria Road, Brakenhill. Jubilee Drive and Diamond Road which are all in immediate proximity to Princes Way. A plan of the area is attached as Appendix A to this report.

3. In an attached letter to the petition, the lead petitioner states that the implementation of a parking permit scheme will have "an adverse affect on the parking for everyone with the exception of Princes Way".

4. As the Cabinet Member will recall residents of Princes Way petitioned the Council asking for a residents only parking scheme operational Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm. As a consequence a detailed design was prepared and was subject to a 21 day formal consultation process in June 2014.

5. During this formal consultation process a second petition of 15 signatures signed by residents of Victoria Road was received opposing permit parking on Victoria Road as well as three individual comments. These have already been considered by the Cabinet Member in a separate report.

6. As a result of the various comments received and after lengthy and detailed deliberations with local ward councillors, a decision was made to progress an amended scheme that would provide permit parking in part of Princes Way and leave areas close to Victoria Road unrestricted, which provides residents of nearby roads an opportunity to park without the need for a permit.

7. The petition submitted asks that the proposals to implement a parking permit scheme in Princes Way be abandoned rather than that the surrounding roads are consulted to see if they would like to consider options to manage the parking. It is therefore recommended that the Cabinet Member listens to petitioners' concerns and decides if any further action can be recommended in respect of this matter.

Financial Implications

There are no financial implications associated with the recommendations to this report. If works are subsequently required, suitable funding will need to be identified.

4. EFFECT ON RESIDENTS, SERVICE USERS & COMMUNITIES

What will be the effect of the recommendation?

To allow the Cabinet Member an opportunity to discuss in detail with petitioners their concerns.

Consultation Carried Out or Required

The Council has previously carried out statutory consultation to introduce a Parking Management Scheme on Princes Way.

5. CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS

Corporate Finance

Corporate Finance has reviewed this report and confirms that there are no direct financial implications arising from the recommendations set out above.

Legal

There are no special legal implications for the proposal to discuss with petitioners their request objections to the implementation of the residents' parking permit parking scheme in Princes Way, 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

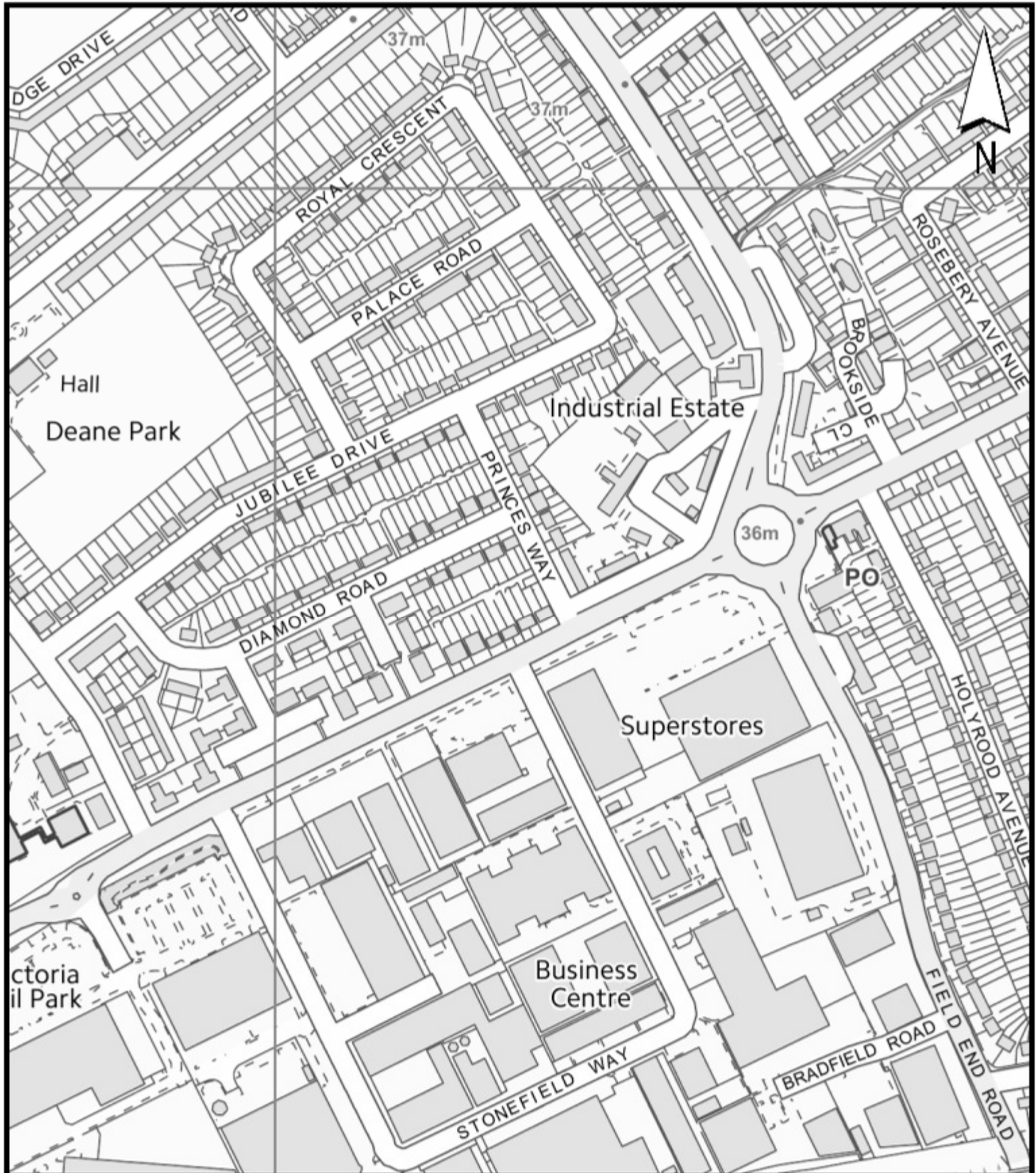
There are no Corporate Property and Construction implications resulting from the recommendations set out in this report.

Relevant Service Groups

None at this stage.

6. BACKGROUND PAPERS

Petition received.



Location Plan
Princes Way, Ruislip

Date August 2014

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