

# FULHAM CLOSE, HILLINGDON – PETITION REQUESTING A RESIDENT PARKING SCHEME

**Cabinet Portfolio**

Planning and Transportation

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**Papers with report**

Appendix A

**HEADLINE INFORMATION****Purpose of report**

To inform the Cabinet Member that a petition has been received from all households of Fulham Close, Hillingdon requesting a Residents Parking Scheme be installed in their road.

**Contribution to our  
plans and strategies**

The request can be considered as part the Council strategy for on-street parking.

**Financial Cost**

There are none associated with the recommendations to this report

**Relevant Policy  
Overview Committee**

Residents and Environmental Services

**Ward(s) affected**

Brunel

**RECOMMENDATION****That the Cabinet Member**

- 1. Meets and discusses with the petitioners their concern with parking in Fulham Close.**
- 2. Decides if a scheme for Fulham Close can be added to the Council's parking programme.**

**INFORMATION****Reasons for recommendation**

Although parking schemes are not generally considered for individual roads however, due to the isolated location of Fulham Close, the Cabinet Member may decide that a scheme could be considered in advance of one over a wider area.

**Alternative options considered**

None as the residents have made a specific request for a Residents Parking Scheme.

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

None at this stage

## **Supporting Information**

1. A petition with 22 signatures has been received from residents of Fulham Close, Hillingdon asking for a Residents Parking Scheme. There are 22 households in Fulham Close and the petition contains a signature from each one. Although the reason given by the petitioners is due to difficulty with parking in the Close, there are no further details. It is likely there is competition for the on-street parking with local employees and commuters.
2. Fulham Close is as its name implies a cul-de-sac with a junction on the south side of Uxbridge Road northwest of the main road junction with West Drayton Road and Hewens Road. On this side of Uxbridge Road west of the junction, it is mainly residential. On the eastern side however, on both sides of Uxbridge Road the frontage is predominately shopping and commercial. Local employees in these premises maybe parking in Fulham Close and perhaps these details can be discussed at the petition hearing.
3. In a note attached to the petition, it would appear the residents are not fully aware of the operational aspects of Residents Parking Schemes but as the Cabinet Member is aware when the Council investigate the feasibility to install a parking scheme residents are consulted and an information leaflet and questionnaire is delivered to all households.
4. The Cabinet Member will also be aware that these schemes are generally only considered on an area wide basis in order to avoid the transfer of parking problems to adjoining roads. However, in cul-de-sacs which are relatively isolated, it may be possible to consider a scheme which if necessary could be enlarged or subsequently form part of a larger scheme sometime in the future. There has been little interest detected in this area of the Borough for resident's permit parking other then this petition received from residents of Fulham Close.
5. The Cabinet Member will also be aware there is a heavy programme of parking schemes and recently has considered reports for the completion of this year's parking programme and asking approval for next years programme. Following discussions with the petitioners, the Cabinet Member could decide a scheme for Fulham Close can be added to next year's programme and investigated if slippage occurs on other schemes.

## **Financial Implications**

There are none associated with the recommendations to this report, however if the Council were to consider the introduction of a Residents Parking Scheme in Fulham Close, funding would need to be identified. Usually this would come via an allocation from the Parking Revenue Account surplus. However, if there are underspends on other schemes within the Parking Management Schemes Programme, the required funding could be reallocated. This would be subject to the Cabinet Members decision on whether the scheme for Fulham Close should be added to the Programme.

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

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

To allow the Cabinet Member to decide if a scheme for Fulham Close can be considered in isolation from the surrounding area and added to the parking programme.

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

If the Council subsequently investigate the feasibility to introduce a parking scheme in Fulham Close, consultation will be carried out with residents to establish if there is overall support.

## **CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS**

### **Corporate Finance**

### **Legal**

There are no special legal implications for this informal consultation.

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

In considering the 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.

## **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

Petition received 7<sup>th</sup> October 2009