

# HEATHCOTE WAY, WEST DRAYTON - PETITION REQUESTING A PARKING MANAGEMENT SCHEME

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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 from residents of Heathcote Way, West Drayton asking for a Parking Management Scheme
<b>Contribution to our plans and strategies</b>	The request can be considered as part of the Council's strategy for on-street parking.
<b>Financial Cost</b>	There are none associated with the recommendations to this report.
<b>Relevant Policy Overview Committee</b>	Residents' and Environmental Services.
<b>Ward(s) affected</b>	Yiewsley

## **2. RECOMMENDATION**

**Meeting with the Petitioners, the Cabinet Member:**

- 1. Considers the concerns raised by petitioners regarding parking in Heathcote Way, West Drayton.**
- 2. Subject to the outcome of the above, asks officers to add the request to the Council's extensive parking programme for further investigation.**

### **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 24 signatures has been submitted to the Council from residents who live in Heathcote Way, West Drayton asking for a Parking Management Scheme. The 24 signatures represent 19 out of the 39 properties in Heathcote Way.
2. Heathcote Way is a residential road which is only a short walk to the shops, station and other local amenities in West Drayton/Yiewsley Town Centres.
3. In an accompanying statement the lead petition outlines the problem as "*no parking spaces for residents, cars parked on corners*". They go on to say that "*it has got a lot worse since there is a Parking Management Scheme on Tavistock Road and Padcroft Road*"
4. The Cabinet Member will recall that the roads immediately adjacent to Heathcote Way were included in an extension to the Yiewsley Parking Management that was implemented in September 2014. It is therefore likely that some non-residential parking has been displaced to Heathcote Way as this is now one of the closest unrestricted roads to the town centre. A location plan and the area covered by the existing Parking Management Scheme is attached as Appendix A to this report.
5. The Council's powers to control on-street parking are either to prohibit it with the introduction of yellow lines or to include it within a Residents' Permit Parking Scheme. It is clear from the petition that residents are requesting a Parking Management Scheme and logically this would suggest inclusion within the Yiewsley Scheme. The Cabinet Member will, however, be aware that when these schemes are introduced, non-residential parking transfers as appears to be the case in this instance. The Cabinet Member may feel it therefore prudent to consider including Peplow Close, a road directly accessed from Heathcote Way, in a possible future consultation.
6. 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 parking scheme programme and to explore options to manage the parking in Heathcote Way and Peplow Close for future consultation.

#### **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 within the parking programme.

### **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**

None at this stage.

## **5. CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS**

### **Corporate Finance**

Corporate Finance has reviewed this report and concurs with the financial implications set out above, noting that there are no direct costs associated with the recommendations outlined above.

### **Legal**

There are no special legal implications with the Cabinet Member to meet and discuss with petitioners their request for a Parking Management Scheme on Heathcote Way and to consider recommendation 2 above. 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**

None at this stage.

### **Relevant Service Groups**

None at this stage.

## **6. BACKGROUND PAPERS**

Nil