GLENALLA ROAD, RUISLIP - PETITION REQUESTING PARKING RESTRICTIONS

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Cabinet Portfolio(s)	Cabinet Member for Planning, Transportation and Recycling
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Papers with report	Appendices A - C
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<u>1. HEADLINE INFORMATION</u>

Summary	To inform the Cabinet Member that the Council has received a petition from residents of Glenalla Road, Ruislip asking for parking restrictions in their road
Contribution to our plans and strategies	The request can be considered as part of the Council's 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	Eastcote & East Ruislip and Manor

2. RECOMMENDATION

Meeting with the Petitioners, the Cabinet Member:

1. Listens to their concerns with parking in Glenalla Road, Ruislip.

2. Notes the prior work undertaken in conjunction with the residents and welcomes the petition as a helpful indication of their preferences.

3. Subject to the outcome of the above, asks officers to add the request to the Council's extensive parking programme and develop proposals for formal consultation.

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 27 signatures from residents of Genalla Road has been received by the Council which represents 27 of the 41 households (66%) of the road.

2. In an accompanying statement, the lead petitioner states "We have non residents parking in Glenalla Road and then using the tube stations, leaving their cars all day unattended. Local businesses are parking their vehicles in the road. Residents of Eastcote Road are parking in Glenalla Road. This problem exists seven days a week, 24 hours a day. Glenalla Road is now one of the only roads without parking restrictions, which makes parking very convenient for stations, all day parking etc. When vehicles are parked on both sides of the road large trucks, emergency vehicles cannot pass (every Monday is hit or miss as to whether we have our refuse collected) We would like advise on the best way to solve the present problem. We would like some form of restrictions but not so they affect visiting additional family members etc. Access for emergency vehicles is a major concern. "

3. Glenalla Road is a residential road split into two sections. The northern section is a cul-desac, while the southern section links West Hatch Manor with Manor Way. It is a short walk to the nearby local facilities in Victoria Road and Ruislip Manor Tube Station. The carriageway in the northern section is approximately 6.3 metres wide and is bounded on both sides by a narrow grass verge of 1.2 metres and footway of 1.8 metres in width. The location of Glenalla Road is indicated on the plan attached as Appendix A to this report.

4. The Council received a request through the Council's Road Safety Programme for waiting restrictions on the junction of Glenalla Road with West Hatch Manor and Manor Way. As a response a proposal was developed for 'At Any Time' and limited time waiting restrictions operational Monday - Friday 11am - Midday & 2pm - 3pm, as shown on Appendix B to this report. During the 21 day statutory consultation an objection was received to the limited waiting restrictions in the northern section of Glenalla Road stating parking restrictions were needed in the whole of the northern section. The Cabinet Member decision was to proceed with the double yellow lines but defer the limited time waiting restrictions and add Glenalla Road to the future Road Safety Programme of works for possible consultation with the residents on options to manage parking in the road.

5. The Council continued to receive concerns from local residents about restricted access and further investigations took place. Discussions also took place with one resident about the possible options to address parking in the northern section of Glenalla Road and it was suggested obtaining support from the other residents through a petition. The resident kindly volunteered to take the lead on this. The resident suggested parking at the start of the road was the main problem and that other residents had expressed to them the need for this to be addressed first. As a consequence a proposal was then developed to install 'At Any Time' waiting restrictions on the west side of the road and limited waiting restrictions operational Monday - Friday 11am - Midday & 2pm - 3pm on the east side of the road at the start of the northern section of Glenalla Road, which are subject to formal consultation. As shown on Appendix C to this report.

6. However, residents have indicated through this petition that further restrictions are required for the remaining length of the road.

7. It is therefore suggested that the Cabinet Member meets with petitioners to listen to their concerns in greater detail, discusses the advantages and disadvantages of possible options to restrict parking in their road. Subject to the outcome of these discussions officers can then develop options to address residents' concerns.

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.

Legal

There are no special legal implications for the proposal to discuss with petitioners their concerns with parking on Glenalla Road, Ruislip, 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 arising from the recommendations in this report.

Relevant Service Groups

None at this stage

6. BACKGROUND PAPERS

Petition received