

PETITION FROM THE RESIDENTS OF TELCOTE WAY AND PART OF WOODLANDS AVENUE, EASTCOTE ASKING FOR THE AREA TO BE ZONED 'PERMIT HOLDERS ONLY AT ALL TIMES'

Cabinet Member(s)	Councillor Keith Burrows
Cabinet Portfolio(s)	Cabinet Member for Planning, Transportation and Recycling
Officer Contact(s)	Steven Austin, Residents Services
Papers with report	Appendix A

1. HEADLINE INFORMATION

Summary	To inform the Cabinet Member that a petition has been received from the residents of Woodlands Avenue and Telcote Way requesting an extension to the operating times of the existing Parking Management Scheme.
Contribution to our plans and strategies	The request can be considered in relation to the Council's strategy for on-street parking controls.
Financial Cost	There are no financial implications associated with the recommendations to this report.
Relevant Policy Overview Committee	Residents, Education and Environmental Services.
Ward(s) affected	Cavendish.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

Meeting with the petitioners, the Cabinet Member:

- 1. Listens to their request for the operational times of the Parking Management Scheme in Woodlands Avenue to be extended to 'at all times'; and**
- 2. Subject to the outcome of the above, decides if the request for an extension to operational times of the parking scheme in Woodlands Avenue, Ruislip should be added to the Council's future parking scheme programme for informal consultation with residents.**

Reasons for recommendations

To allow the Cabinet Member to discuss with petitioners their concerns and if appropriate add their request to the parking schemes programme.

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 79 signatures has been received from residents of Woodlands Avenue and Telcote Way, Eastcote. In an accompanying statement, petitioners highlight what they see as the current problem:

"Parking by non-residents outside the current parking management scheme hours of 09.00 to 17.00 hrs- six days a week. The problem will be absolutely horrendous when the converted flats in Field End Road opposite Woodlands Avenue become fully occupied. There will be over 100 new residential units and hardly any parking facilities for them. It is bad enough now in the evenings and on Sundays when residents are lucky if they can find a space. Coupled with this is the fact that we are the nearest free Sunday and evening parking to the tube station, restaurants and the Hot Yoga Club. We now live in a seven day society and our parking management scheme needs to reflect this."

2. A plan showing the location of Woodlands Avenue and the surrounding area within the current Parking Management Scheme is attached as Appendix A to this report. Woodlands Avenue is a mainly residential road within a few minutes walk of Eastcote Underground Station, the busy Eastcote Town Centre and many other local amenities. Telcote Way is a private road adjacent to the Woodlands Avenue. Currently, Woodlands Avenue already benefits from being part of the Eastcote Parking Management Scheme (Zone E2), which operates 'Monday to Saturday 9am to 5pm'. The petition indicates that residents are finding it increasingly difficult to find a parking space when the parking scheme is not in operation due to non-residents parking in the road and visiting local businesses in the evenings and throughout the weekend.

3. Petitioners are effectively requesting that the times of the existing parking scheme to be extended to prevent all non-residential parking. The Cabinet Member will be aware of similar requests in recent years from other roads in Hillingdon that are usually related to roads close to town centres, as is the case here. The Council has extended the operational times of other parking schemes to '9am to 10pm everyday' which has proven successful in preventing non-residential parking. This approach could therefore be considered as a possible option for the residents of Woodlands Avenue as a 24/7 scheme and would require residents and their visitors to display a permit or visitor voucher all day every day.

4. It is recommended that the Cabinet Member discusses with petitioners their concerns and, if considered appropriate, asks officers to add this request to the future parking scheme programme to conduct informal consultation to extend the operational times of the Eastcote Parking Management Scheme (Zone E2) in Woodlands Avenue and other possible roads in the area that Ward Councillors may identify. The results of the consultation can then be reported back to the Cabinet Member and local Ward Councillors for further consideration.

Financial Implications

There are no direct financial implications associated with the recommendations to this report, however, if the Council were to consider extending the operational times of the Eastcote Parking Management Scheme in Woodlands Avenue and possible surrounding roads, 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 has to address these concerns.

Consultation Carried Out or Required

If the Council subsequently decides to extend the operational times of the Eastcote Parking Management Scheme (Zone E2), consultation will be carried out with residents to establish if there is overall support.

5. CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS

Corporate Finance

Corporate Finance has reviewed this report and concurs that there are no direct financial implications associated with this report.

Legal

There are no special legal implications for the proposal to informally consult residents on the amendment to the operational times of the Parking Management Scheme in Woodlands Avenue. Informally consulting residents 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.

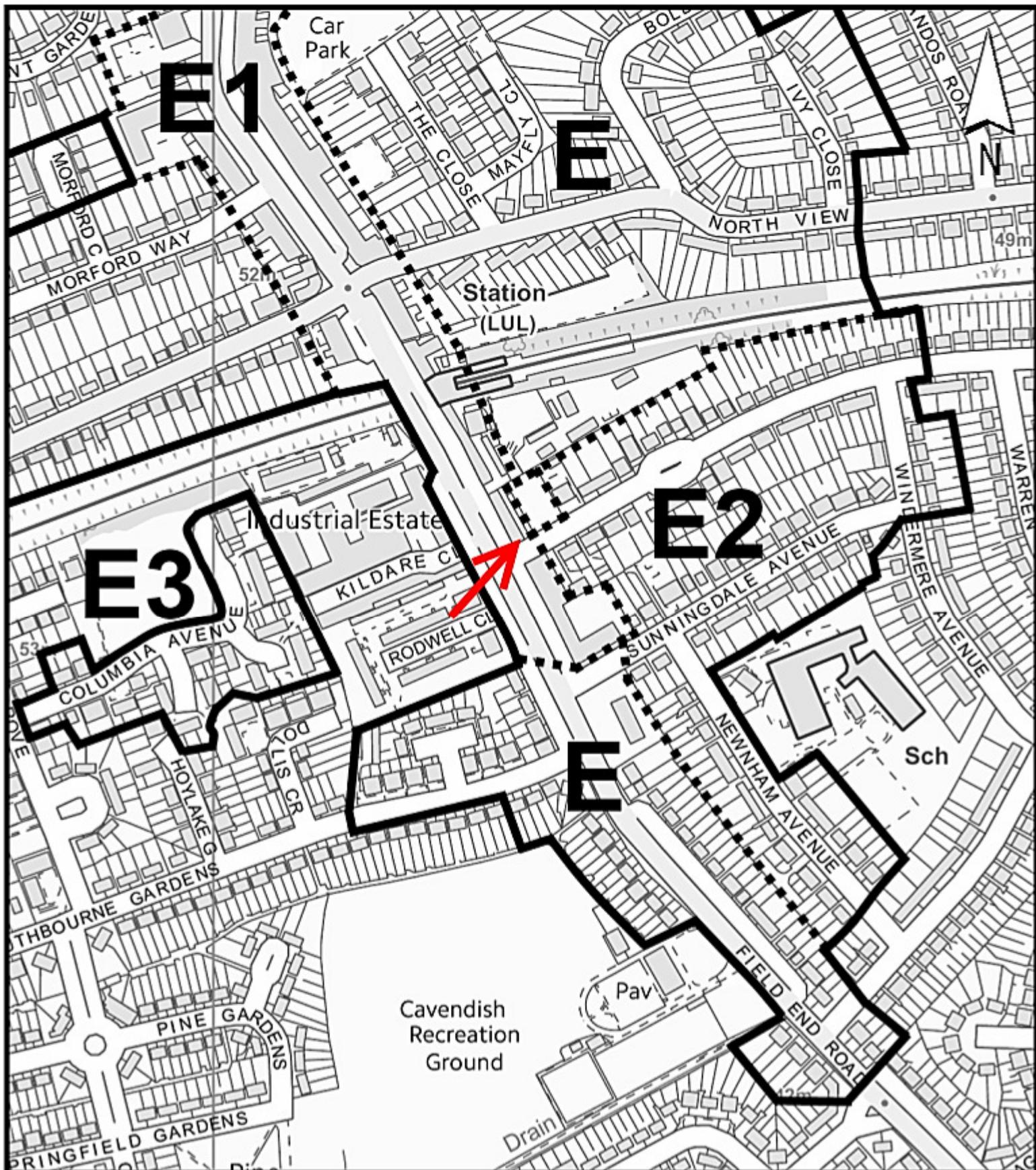
In considering any informal consultation responses, decision makers must ensure there is a full consideration of all representations arising including those which do not accord with the officer's recommendations. The decision maker must be satisfied that responses from the public are conscientiously taken into account.

Relevant Service Groups

None at this stage.

6. BACKGROUND PAPERS

Petition received.



Woodlands Avenue & Telcote Way, Eastcote
Area plan

Appendix A

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 Extent of the Eastcote Parking Management Scheme

 Internal zone boundary