

ALBERT ROAD AND KEITH ROAD, HAYES – PETITIONS CONCERNING THE PROPOSED RESIDENTS PARKING SCHEME

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Papers with report	Appendix A

HEADLINE INFORMATION

Purpose of report	To inform the Cabinet Member that two petitions have been received concerning the Council's proposals for a Residents Permit Scheme in Keith Road and Albert Road, Hayes. As the petitions are related to the same scheme, it is considered appropriate for them to be considered in the same report.
Contribution to our plans and strategies	The petitions can be considered in relation to the Council strategy for on-street parking controls
Financial Cost	There is none associated with the recommendations to this report
Relevant Policy Overview Committee	Residents and Environmental Services
Ward(s) affected	Botwell

RECOMMENDATION

That the Cabinet Member

1. **Meets and discusses with the petitioners their concerns with parking in Albert Road and Keith Road**
2. **Asks officers to include the petition request and the outcome of discussions above in the forthcoming report incorporating all representations received from statutory consultation on the proposed parking scheme for Keith Road and Albert Road, Hayes.**

INFORMATION

Reasons for recommendation

Following statutory consultation on parking proposals, all comments received must be considered by the Council before a final decision. A report will subsequently be drafted

detailing these comments which can include these petitions together with the outcome of discussions with the Cabinet Member at the petition evening.

Alternative options considered

To control parking on street, the Council have powers to introduce Residents Permit Parking Schemes or waiting restrictions. These alternatives were put to the residents of Albert Road and Keith Road who preferred the introduction of permit parking. A petition however from the Elim Christian Centre has put forward the alternative option of waiting restrictions.

Comments of Policy Overview Committee(s)

None at this stage

Supporting Information

1. Two petitions have been received at the Council regarding the proposed Residents Permit Parking Scheme for Keith Road and Albert Road in Hayes. As they are concerning the same scheme, it is considered appropriate to consider them within the same report.
2. Attached as Appendix A, is a road layout of Keith Road and Albert Road which are located on the northeast corner of the main road junctions of North Hyde Road with Station Road. Following a petition request from residents of Keith Road and Albert Road, the Council have proposed a Residents Permit Parking Scheme and statutory consultation was carried out between 17th February 2010 – 10th March 2010.
3. The first petition received contained 20 signatures from residents of Albert Road and Keith Road. These residents signed to the following heading.

The following signatures approve of the parking management scheme for Albert Road and Keith Road, thus giving priority to residents and visitors for on-street parking.

“This petition clearly has been organised by residents to emphasise their complete support for the introduction of Residents Permit Parking scheme in their roads”.

4. The second petition received has 38 signatures with all but two non-residents of Keith Road or Albert Road. This petition heading is in two parts:

The first

“We, the congregation of Hayes Elim Christian Centre, propose a Waiting Time Restriction scheme with no parking between the hours of 2pm to 4pm for Albert and Keith Road, operational Monday to Friday”.

and The second

“We the undersigned, who attend the Parents and Toddler Group on a Friday morning, propose a Waiting Time Restriction scheme with no parking between the hours of 2pm to 4pm for Albert and Keith Road, operational Monday to Friday”.

6. The Elim Christian Centre is located on the north side of Keith Road between Albert Road and Station Road. In a covering letter to the petition, the organiser wants to bring to the Council’s attention that as a Church there are regular activities which take place during the week, which includes a Parents and Toddler Group on Friday mornings. It would appear there is a car park associated with the Centre which when full means visitors will park on the road. The Church recognise the difficulties regarding commuters parking in Albert Road and Keith Road and consider the problem can be more easily dealt with, with the introduction of waiting restrictions between 2pm and 4pm Monday to Friday which will have minimal impact on the operation of the Church.
7. The Cabinet Member is aware that following statutory consultation, a report is prepared to inform him of the objections, comments and representations received from the consultation. This allows all representations to be considered jointly in one report and it is suggested the Cabinet Member discusses with petitioners their concerns with parking and asks officers to include the petition requests in the subsequent report. Comprehensive consideration of all representations will allow the officers to make suitable recommendations to the Cabinet Member on the proposed parking scheme.

Financial Implications

There are none associated with the recommendations to this report as the consideration of objections will be undertaken with in-house resources.

EFFECT ON RESIDENTS, SERVICE USERS & COMMUNITIES

What will be the effect of the recommendation?

To allow the Cabinet Member to fully understand the petitioners’ concern with parking and the petition requests can be considered in relation to all other representations received from the statutory consultation for the proposed parking scheme.

Consultation Carried Out or Required

Statutory consultation was carried out for a 3 week period between 17th February 2010 – 10th March 2010 inviting residents and members of the public to object to the proposals or make comments or representations.

CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS

Legal

In considering the consultation responses and petitions, decision makers must ensure there is a full consideration of all representations arising including those which do not accord with the officer recommendation.

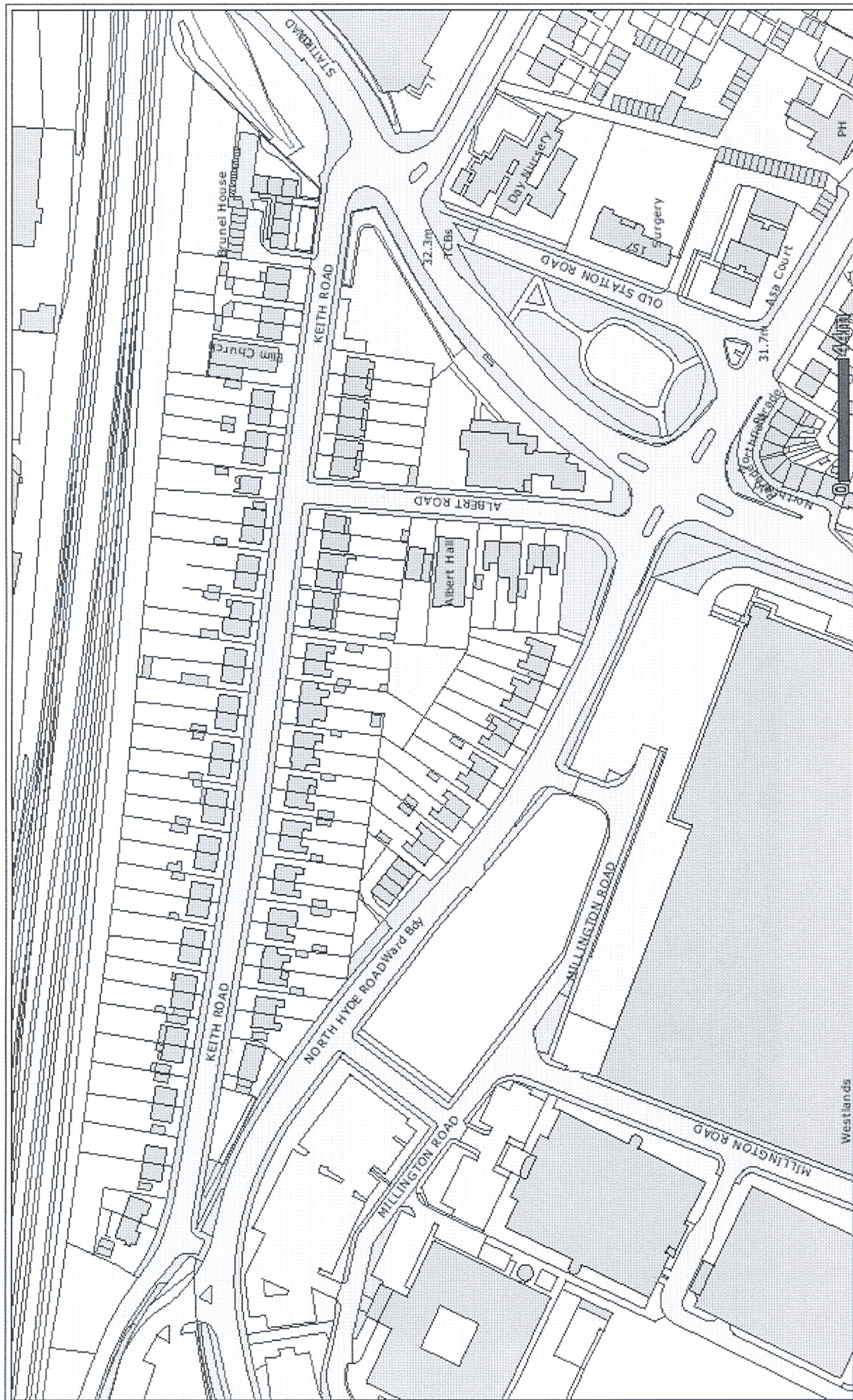
The decision maker must be satisfied that responses from the public are conscientiously taken into account. If a local authority decides to embark upon a non-statutory process of consultation the applicable principles are no different from those which apply to statutory consultation: see R (Partingdale Lane Residents Association) v Barnet London Borough Council [2003] EWHC 947 (Admin), [2003] All ER (D) 29.

Officers must ensure there is a full note of the main points discussed at the meeting with the petitioners. If there are new points raised in the period after the statutory consultation period which are likely to make a material difference to the competing considerations then officers ought to consider the need for further statutory consultation.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

Petition received 10th March 2010

Petition received 10th March 2010



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