

# SWAKELEYS ROAD, ICKENHAM - PETITION REQUESTING A PARKING MANAGEMENT SCHEME IN THE SERVICE ROAD FRONTING NOS.195 TO 207A

<b>Cabinet Member(s)</b>	Councillor Keith Burrows
<b>Cabinet Portfolio(s)</b>	Cabinet Member for Planning, Transportation and Recycling
<b>Officer Contact(s)</b>	Steven Austin, Residents Services
<b>Papers with report</b>	Appendix A - Location Plan

## **HEADLINE INFORMATION**

<b>Summary</b>	To inform the Cabinet Member that the Council has received a petition requesting the introduction of a residents' permit parking scheme in part of Swakeleys Road, Ickenham.
<b>Contribution to our plans and strategies</b>	The request can be considered in relation to the Council's strategy for on-street parking controls.
<b>Financial Cost</b>	There are no financial implications associated with the recommendations to this report.
<b>Relevant Policy Overview Committee</b>	Residents, Education and Environmental Services.
<b>Ward(s) affected</b>	Ickenham.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

**Meeting with the Petitioners, the Cabinet Member for Planning, Transportation and Recycling:**

- 1) Listens to their request for the introduction of a residents' permit parking scheme in part of Swakeleys Road, Ickenham; and**
- 2) Subject to the outcome of the above, decides if the request for a residents' permit parking scheme should be added to the Council's future parking scheme programme for further investigation and more detailed consultation when resources permit.**

### **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.

## **INFORMATION**

### **Supporting Information**

1. A petition with 23 signatures has been submitted to the Council requesting that a Parking Management Scheme is introduced in the service road fronting Nos. 195 to 207a Swakeleys Road, Ickenham. In an accompanying statement the petitioners helpfully set out their concerns as the following

*"Parking space available is suitable for number of house only. Due to multitude of recently built flats and lack of parking per flat the service road is being utilised by non-residents. Unacceptable parking is the main issue where cars are left for weeks due to no daily requirement and second transport available. Limited parking available for residents with additional cars using road for long term parking".*

In order to address their concerns, petitioners have requested the following;

*"Parking Management Scheme suited to real residents and family members/visitors"*

2. The service road in this section of Swakeleys Road provides access to nine properties, all of which appear to benefit from off-street parking provision. Immediately adjacent to the service road, there are three modern developments comprising of 18 apartments. A plan of the area is shown on Appendix A of this report.

3. As the Cabinet Member is aware, under the Road Traffic Regulation Act, 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 parking scheme, it does not, however, have the powers to allocate parking bays on the highway to any individual, company or property. It would seem that petitioners are requesting a parking scheme limited to the use of residents within the service road, their family and guests.

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 see if residents would like to consider proposals for a parking scheme in Swakeleys Road. Although residents appear to have specifically asked for a small section of Swakeleys Road to be included in a Parking Management Scheme, it is common practice that this is combined with other nearby properties and roads that the local Ward Councillors feel may also benefit from parking controls as the parking issues could simply transfer.

## **Financial Implications**

There are no direct financial implications associated with the recommendations to this report, however if the Council were to consider the introduction of parking restrictions in the area, funding would need to be identified from a suitable source.

## **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 investigates the feasibility to introduce parking restrictions in the area, informal consultation will be carried out with residents to establish if there is overall support.

## **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 parking restrictions. 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.

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.

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

## **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

Petition received - September 2019



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