

EDGAR ROAD, YIEWSLEY - PETITION REQUESTING THE INCLUSION OF EDGAR ROAD IN ANY POSSIBLE NEARBY PARKING MANAGEMENT SCHEME

Cabinet Member(s)	Councillor Jonathan Bianco
Cabinet Portfolio(s)	Cabinet Member for Property, Highways and Transport
Officer Contact(s)	Steven Austin – Place Directorate
Papers with report	Appendix A – Location Plan Appendix B – Yiewsley PMS Zone 1: 2017 Informal Consultation Area

HEADLINES

Summary	To inform the Cabinet Member that a petition has been received from residents who live in Edgar Road, Yiewsley requesting the inclusion of Edgar Road in any possible nearby Parking Management Scheme.
Putting our Residents First Delivering on the Council Strategy 2022-2026	This report supports our ambition for residents / the Council of: Live in good quality, affordable homes in connected communities. This report supports our commitments to residents of: Safe and Strong Communities.
Financial Cost	There are no direct financial implications associated with the recommendations to this report.
Relevant Select Committee	Property, Highways and Transport Select Committee
Relevant Ward(s)	Yiewsley

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Cabinet Member for Property, Highways and Transport:

1. Meets with petitioners and listens to their request for Edgar Road to be included in any possible Parking Management Scheme implemented in nearby roads;
2. Notes the results of the previous consultations undertaken with residents of Edgar Road;

3. **Subject to the outcome of the above, asks officers to add this request to the Council’s extensive Parking Scheme Programme for further investigation and possible informal consultation.**

Reasons for recommendations

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.

Select Committee comments

None at this stage.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 1) A petition with 26 signatures has been submitted to the Council by residents who live on Edgar Road, Yiewsley signed under the following heading:

“Yiewsley (Y1) Parking Management Scheme currently under consideration for Providence Road and Whitethorn Avenue for Edgar Road to be included in this scheme.”
- 2) Edgar Road is a mainly residential road close to Yiewsley town centre and West Drayton station. Shops, places of worship and other local amenities are all conveniently located nearby. A plan of the area is attached as Appendix A.
- 3) Edgar Road largely comprises semi-detached properties with differing ages of construction. The more recently-constructed properties, appear mostly to benefit from off-street parking, while the older properties appear to rely upon the on-street parking provision.
- 4) It may be helpful to the Cabinet Member to make him aware of a previous petition with 33 signatures submitted by residents of Edgar Road. The 33 signatures represented 25 out of the 66 properties in Edgar Road.
- 5) After consideration of the petition mentioned above, the previous Cabinet Member for Planning, Transportation and Recycling, asked officers to design a Parking Management Scheme and formally consult residents of the road.
- 6) A detailed design was subsequently prepared, and the statutory 21-day consultation undertaken. During this time, copies of the plans were made available in the local library and a letter was delivered to every household in the road. In addition, street noticed were erected and advertisements published in the London Gazette and local newspaper.
- 7) During the formal consultation, 13 letters (from 12 properties) of support were received and nine letters (representing eight properties) objecting to the proposals were also received.

- 8) In addition, a second petition was submitted to the Council signed by 59 residents, representing 38 properties in Edgar Road, signed under the following heading:

We, the residents of Edgar Road, Yiewsley, petition the Council to not install permit parking into Edgar Road.

In the Council proposals there is insufficient parking for the amount of residents who live in Edgar Road and no plans for overflow parking have been put in place.

The plans are just moving the parking issues to the neighbouring roads, which are already short of parking for the residents who live there.

As residents of Edgar Road we are able to manage the parking between neighbours ourselves and do not require council interventions.

The signatures below are those of residents who own vehicles that currently parking in Edgar Road.

We request that Hillingdon Council withdraw the current proposal for Permit Parking Restrictions in Edgar Road.”

- 9) The Cabinet Member will appreciate, and may wish to make the point to the present petitioners (whilst acknowledging that they have not made such a direct request), that ‘overflow parking’ is seldom a realistic prospect as additional parking capacity can seldom be created on the public highway, and off-road car parking is clearly entirely outside the remit of what is practically possible.
- 10) The Council had also received a number of requests from residents in nearby roads as well as a further petition from residents of Whitethorn Avenue, requesting action to deal with all day non-residential parking.
- 11) As a result of comments made during the formal consultation and the request for a possible wider Parking Management Scheme, ward councillors were minded to defer the possible scheme for Edgar Road at that time, until a wider consultation could be undertaken.
- 12) In October 2017, an informal consultation was undertaken with residents in an area agreed with ward councillors and can be seen in Appendix B of this report.
- 13) As part of the informal consultation, a consultation pack was delivered to every property in the area consisting of a letter, plan showing the area being consulted, an information leaflet explaining the different options available to residents, a questionnaire and a reply-paid return envelope.
- 14) The results from Edgar Road again indicated a lack of support for a possible Parking Management Scheme with 15 residents asking for ‘no change’ to the current parking arrangements and 10 asking for parking permits.
- 15) As a result, and after discussions with ward councillors, the decision again was to take no further action to implement a scheme in Edgar Road due to the apparent lack of support expressed by residents.

16)As mentioned in the petition, the Council has recently informally consulted residents of Whitethorn Avenue and Providence Road on a possible Parking Management Scheme, which again was a direct result of a petition. The area was agreed following discussions with ward councillors.

17)At the time of the drafting of this report, the results are being considered by the ward councillors before a decision is made on how to proceed. It is suggested that their views on the present petition may also be beneficial to hear as they may have a good idea of the likely prospects for a scheme being supported, based on their own local insights.

18)In view of the submission of this petition, it is recommended that the Cabinet Member discusses with petitioners their request for the introduction of a resident permit only parking scheme, and if appropriate asks officers to add the request to the future extensive parking scheme programme for further investigation and informal consultation.

Financial Implications

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

RESIDENT BENEFIT & CONSULTATION

The benefit or impact upon Hillingdon residents, service users and communities

To allow the Cabinet Member to consider the petitioners' request.

Consultation carried out or required

None at this stage.

CORPORATE CONSIDERATIONS

Corporate Finance

Corporate Finance has reviewed the recommendations to this report and concurs with the financial implications as set out above.

Legal

Legal Services confirm that there are no specific legal implications arising from this report.

Infrastructure / Asset Management

None at this stage.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

Petition received.