

TITLE: HUME WAY ESTATE, RUISLIP – PETITION REQUESTING A “RESIDENTS PARKING SCHEME”

Cabinet Member

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Cabinet Portfolio

Planning and Transportation

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Papers with report

Appendix A

HEADLINE INFORMATION

Purpose of report

To inform the Cabinet Member that a petition has been submitted from residents of the Hume Way Estate, Eastcote requesting a “Residents Parking Scheme” be installed in their roads.

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 is none associated with the recommendations to this report.

Relevant Policy Overview Committee

Residents and Environmental Services

Ward(s) affected

Eastcote & East Ruislip

RECOMMENDATION

That the Cabinet Member

- 1. Meets and discusses with the petitioners their concerns with non-residential parking in their roads.**
- 2. Subject to No.1 above ask officers to place this request on the Council’s parking programme for subsequent investigation and consultation.**
- 3. Ask officers to consult Ward Councillors to determine if further roads in this area should be included in a consultation.**

INFORMATION

Reasons for recommendation

The petitioners have made a specific request for a Residents Permit Parking Scheme. However, the initial consultation with residents will provide options for measures to control parking in their roads which will include a residents parking scheme.

Alternative options considered

None at this stage, as the petitioners have requested a Residents Parking Scheme. However, further options could arise from the discussion with petitioners.

Comments of Policy Overview Committee(s)

None at this stage

Supporting Information

1. A petition with 41 signatures has been received requesting a “residents only parking scheme” for the area the petitioner describes as the “Hume Way Estate”, Ruislip under the following heading;

“We the undersigned residents of Hale End Close, Hume Way, 184-190 Eastcote Road and Campbell Close, request the Council to introduce a Residents Only Parking Scheme in our roads in order to prevent non-residents who are visiting Bishop Ramsey School or using Highgrove Leisure Centre, from parking in our roads.”

All signatures were received from residents of Hale End Close, Eastcote Road and Hume Way. As the petition does not define the “Hume Way Estate” it is suggested the Cabinet Member asks officers to consult with Ward Councillors to determine if nearby roads such as Campbell Close should be included in the consultation. The location is indicated on the plan attached as Appendix A.

2. Hume Way is a no through road which provides access to Highgrove Leisure Centre and Bishop Ramsey School. It has a junction with Hale End Close and Campbell Close which are both small cul-de-sacs and has a small service road fronting Nos. 184 – 190 Eastcote Road (the properties sit alongside Hume Way but their postal addresses are in Eastcote Road). The petitioners indicate that the area suffers with non-residential parking associated with both the school and the leisure centre.
3. Bishop Ramsey School has recently completed a major rebuild which has brought what were formally two separate school sites onto the one site in Hume Way, and it is conceivable that this may have had an adverse impact on residents’ parking.
4. In view of the petition it is suggested that the Cabinet Member adds the request to the overall parking programme so that it can be considered for informal consultation following completion of committed schemes already on the programme.

Financial Implications

There is none associated with the recommendations to this report, however if subsequent consultation is carried out and a scheme progresses to installation, a funding source would be required, and this would usually come from any unallocated Parking Revenue Account Surplus funds.

EFFECT ON RESIDENTS, SERVICE USERS & COMMUNITIES

To allow the Cabinet Member to consider the petitioners request and discuss the available options the council have to address these concerns.

Consultation Carried Out or Required

When the Council is in the position to consider the introduction of a residents permit scheme in the area all residents and businesses affected will be consulted to determine the level of support.

CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS

Corporate Finance

No comments

Corporate Procurement

No comments

Corporate Landlord

The report has no direct impact on the Council's Property holdings, the Interim Corporate Landlord has no comments.

Legal

There no are no special legal implications for the proposal, 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.

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

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.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

Petition dated 19th July 2010