

NORTH ROAD, WEST DRAYTON – PETITION REQUESTING A RESIDENT PERMIT PARKING SCHEME

Cabinet Member	Councillor Keith Burrows
Cabinet Portfolio	Planning, Transportation and Recycling
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Papers with report	Appendix A – Location Plan

HEADLINE INFORMATION

Purpose of report	To inform the Cabinet Member that a petition has been received from residents of North Road, West Drayton asking to join other roads in the West Drayton/Yiewsley Parking Management Scheme 'Zone WD2'.
Contribution to our plans and strategies	The residents' request will be considered as part of the Council's strategy for on-street parking.
Financial Cost	There are none associated with the recommendation to this report.
Relevant Policy Overview Committee	Residents' and Environmental Services.
Ward affected	West Drayton

RECOMMENDATION

That the Cabinet Member:

- 1. Meets and discusses with petitioners their concerns with parking in North Road.**
- 2. Subject to the outcome of 1 above, asks officers to include North Road in the subsequent review of the West Drayton/Yiewsley Parking Management Scheme.**

INFORMATION

Reasons for recommendation

To allow the Cabinet Member to discuss with petitioners their concerns and, if appropriate, to include North Road in the subsequent review of the West Drayton/Yiewsley Parking Management Scheme.

Alternative options considered

None at this stage as petitioners have made a request to be included within the West Drayton/Yiewsley Parking Management Scheme Zone WD2.

Comments of Policy Overview Committee(s)

None at this stage.

Supporting Information

1. A petition with 25 signatures has been received from residents in North Road, West Drayton requesting to join the West Drayton/Yiewsley Parking Management Scheme Zone WD2. This represents 13 households of the 41 located on North Road between Porters Way and Thornton Avenue and one household living between Thornton Avenue and Bell Avenue. The location of North Road is indicated in Appendix A attached.
2. The Cabinet Member will recall an informal consultation took place in February 2009 in the roads surrounding West Drayton and Yiewsley Town Centres to determine if there is support for area wide parking controls. North Road, between Porters Way and Thornton Avenue, was included in this consultation but those who responded overwhelmingly rejected joining the scheme. Consequently, based on residents' views at the time, it was recommended that no further action would be taken to introduce a parking scheme in North Road.
3. As the Cabinet Member will be aware, it has often become apparent where parking schemes have been introduced that adjoining roads that perhaps do not suffer unduly from non-residential parking decide not to be included. However following the inclusion of nearby roads, residents experience parking transfer and approach the Council to be part of the scheme. In view of this petition it is recommended that the Cabinet Member discusses with petitioners their concerns and if it is considered appropriate to include North Road within a future review of the West Drayton/Yiewsley Parking Management Scheme Zone WD2. The Councils' usual practise is to review schemes within 12 months following installation and it is programmed to carry this out for West Drayton/Yiewsley in September 2011. However, the Council is mindful of residents' concerns and this may be advanced if resources permit.

Financial implications

There are none associated with the recommendations in this report. However if subsequently the Council were to consider the introduction of a Parking Management Scheme in North Road as requested, an allocation would be required from a surplus of the Parking Revenue Account to fund the consultation and subsequent implementation.

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 discuss possible options to address these concerns.

Consultation Carried Out or Required

Informal consultation has been carried out in North Road between its junction with Porters Way and Thornton Avenue. Residents were asked if they wanted to be part of a Residents Permit Parking Scheme. Based on the responses received North Road was not included in a subsequent statutory consultation for the West Drayton/Yiewsley area.

CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS

Legal

Where residents of a particular street have rejected, at informal consultation, inclusion in a proposed parking restriction scheme that has subsequently been implemented in surrounding streets it remains perfectly legitimate for those residents to subsequently request inclusion due to the effect of the implemented scheme.

Therefore, a meeting with the petitioners is appropriate 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 or statutory consultation.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

None.