COLHAM MANOR PRIMARY SCHOOL - PETITION REQUESTING A SCHOOL PERMIT SCHEME

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Cabinet Portfolio Cabinet Member for Planning, Transportation and Recycling

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Papers with report Appendix A

HEADLINE INFORMATION

Purpose of report

To inform the Cabinet Member that parents and guardians of children attending Colham Manor School and Children's Centre have organised a petition requesting the Council to implement a school permit scheme to allow them to park in the Hillingdon

Hospital Parking Scheme at specific times of the day.

Contribution to our plans and strategies

The request can be considered in relation to the Council's strategy for on-street parking controls.

Financial Cost There are none associated with the recommendation to this report.

Relevant Policy
Overview Committee

Residents and Environmental Services

Ward(s) affected Yiewsley

RECOMMENDATION

That the Cabinet Member:

- 1. Discusses with petitioners and listens to their request for a School Permit Scheme.
- 2. Subject to the outcome of 1. above, instructs officers to carry out parking stress surveys in roads close to the school to determine availability of spaces and to report the results back to the Cabinet Member and Ward Councillors.

INFORMATION

Reasons for recommendation

Parents and guardians have made a direct request for a school allows that permits parking within the residents parking scheme.

Alternative options considered

These will be discussed with petitioners.

Cabinet Member meeting with Petitioners – 15 June 2011

PART 1 - MEMBERS, PUBLIC AND PRESS

Comments of Policy Overview Committee(s)

None at this stage.

Supporting Information

1. A petition with 93 signatures, which is likely to have been signed by parents or guardians of pupils attending Colham Manor School as well as local residents, has been submitted to the council under the following heading:

"We the undersigned would like Hillingdon Borough to implement a School Permit Parking Scheme during Colham Manor School's Collection and Drop-off times which are 9am to 9:30am, 11:15am to 11:45am, 12:45am to 1:15pm, 2:45pm to 3:45pm."

- 2. Colham Manor Primary School has two entrances, one in Violet Avenue and the other on Colham Green Road. Attached as Appendix A is a location plan indicating the extent of the existing parking scheme in relation to Colham Manor Primary School. In September 2009 an extension to the Hillingdon Hospital Parking Management Scheme was installed in the area which included roads close to the school, where previously parents parked their vehicles for short periods of time to pick up or drop off their children.
- 3. In an accompanying letter submitted with the petition, the lead petitioner raises several concerns about the lack of picking up/dropping off facilities and parking either at the school or in the surrounding roads. It is suggested that the situation will be made worse if an extension to the existing Parking Management Scheme goes ahead, which local residents have recently been consulted upon. As a result petitioners are requesting a School Permit Scheme be introduced in the area to allow parents and guardians to park close to the school at specific times of day. They are asking that the permits should allow parking in Lavender Road initially but also be extended to any roads included in subsequent extensions to the scheme.
- 4. Whilst the request for a School Permit Scheme may be viable it is not clear if it will be supported by the local residents in the area. Many residents of Lavender Road and Violet Avenue when consulted on a possible Parking Management Scheme specifically commented, whilst supporting a scheme in their road, that they were experiencing difficulties with finding a parking place close to where they live which they associated with parking attached to the hospital and school.
- 5. Clearly there is a risk of conflict between the wishes of residents and parents/guardians of the school children at Colham Manor Primary School. It is therefore suggested that the Cabinet Member meets with the petitions in order to understand the detail of their concerns and to hear any suggestions they have. Subject to the outcome of this discussion the Cabinet Member may wish to consider instructing officers to conduct a parking-stress survey in the roads surrounding the school to establish if there is enough space within the current Parking Management Scheme for both the local residents and the parents to park and report the results of the survey back to the local Ward Councillors and the Cabinet Member for further consideration.

Financial Implications

There are no financial implications related to the recommendation of this report. However, if the Council subsequently decides to implement a School Permit Scheme there may be some associated costs for introducing the school permit scheme. However, these should be off-set by the annual charge for each permit of £20 that covers the costs administrating the scheme.

EFFECT ON RESIDENTS, SERVICE USERS & COMMUNITIES

What will be the effect of the recommendation?

To allow the Cabinet Member to discuss in detail with petitioners their concerns and explore possible options that could be introduced to address their issues.

Consultation Carried Out or Required

None at this stage

CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS

Corporate Landlord

The report has no significant property implications and the Corporate Landlord has no comments.

Legal

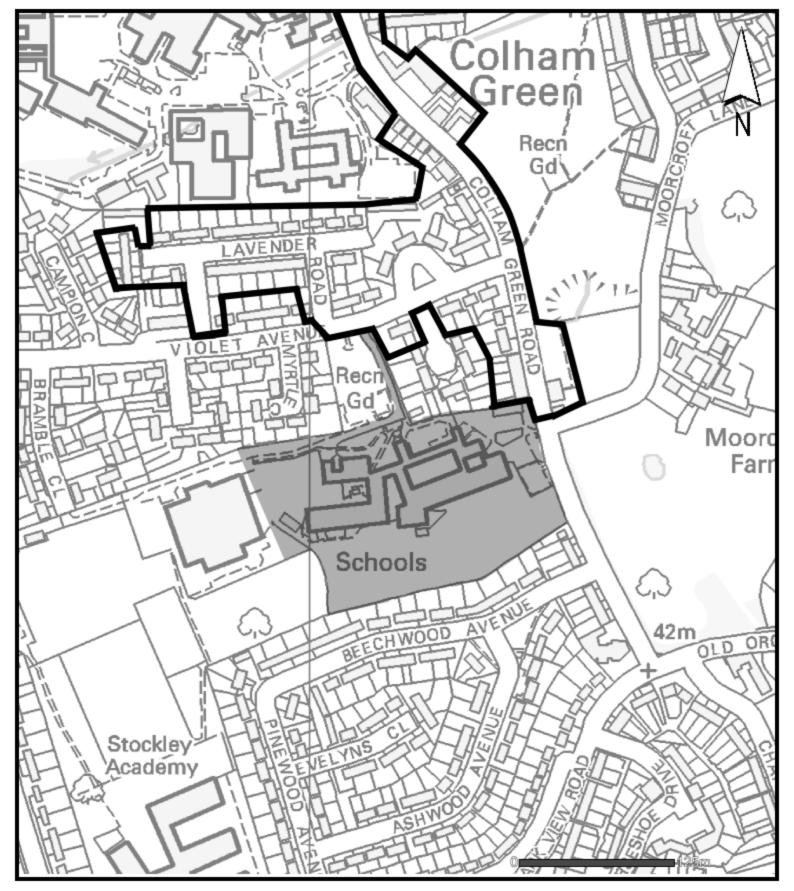
At this stage that no are no special legal implications arising from this report.

Following discussions with petitioners and the results of parking stress surveys in the identified areas, should there be a decision that formal parking and traffic controls are to be considered then the relevant statutory provisions will have to be followed.

In all cases, there must be 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 – 16th September 2010



Colham Manor Primary School and Hillingdon Hospital Parking Management Scheme Appendix A

Date November 2010 Scale 1:3,000





Extent of Hillingdon Hospital Parking Management Scheme

Colham Manor Primary School

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