

Open Report on behalf of Andy Gutherson, Executive Director of Place

Report to: Planning and Regulation Committee

Date: **09 May 2023**

Subject: Lincoln, Croft Street – Proposed amendment to parking bays

Summary:

This report considers objections to a proposal to replace an existing 30 minute limited waiting bay and short section of two hour limited waiting bay in Croft Street, with a bay for use by Zone 2A resident permit holders.

Recommendation(s):

That the Committee overrules the objections so that the Order, as advertised, may be introduced.

Background

Following concerns by residents regarding the under-use of the 30 minute limited waiting bay near to the junction with Montague Street, investigations took place to identify if the provision of this bay is still required or if it could be better utilised. It is much less used following the closure of a nearby business in the area some time ago and it is therefore proposed to reallocate the space for use by permit holders as space for residents parking is in high demand in this area.

The section where this amendment is proposed incorporates a 30 minute limited waiting bay and part of an adjacent 2 hour limited waiting bay, as indicated at Appendix B. This will result in an additional five permit parking spaces with a corresponding loss of limited waiting spaces, two of which are currently for a 2 hour period.

The proposal was advertised last October and all frontagers were provided with a copy of the consultation documents.

Objections and comments

Four objections have been received to these proposals. There is a concern that the loss of short term on street parking in this area will have a negative impact on the remaining businesses here and that trade will be reduced. One business in particular believes that on

street parking close to their site is vital as valuable equipment is brought to the premises and there will be security issues if this has to be transported on foot long distances from where alternative parking has been secured. In addition, new businesses will be discouraged from the area owing to lack of on street parking as patrons may have to use nearby pay and display car parks.

The concerns raised have been noted. The new configuration of bays provides a section of double yellow lines between the permit bay and that used for 2 hour limited waiting to separate the two clearly. Loading and unloading of equipment from vehicles may take place on these lines, and from the permit bays, at any time.

Four 2 hour limited waiting bay spaces remain on Croft Street and an additional eight are available nearby on Montague Street. After 6pm and all day on Sundays parking is unrestricted in all the bays and on the single yellow line on the southern side of Croft Street, so as is the case now, parking will be available to all at these times.

Conclusion

The proposed extent of additional permit parking bay and remaining limited waiting bay aims to balance the high demand by permit holders allocated to Zone 2A whilst maintaining a number of 2 hour spaces for use by customers visiting the two adjacent businesses. The businesses here operate after 6pm when the bay restrictions no longer apply and when parking is permitted on the southern side of Croft Street on the existing single yellow line restriction.

Consultation

The following were consulted with regard to the proposal: Local Member, Lincoln City Council, Lincolnshire Police; EMAS; Lincolnshire Fire & Rescue; Road Haulage Association; Freight Transport Association; potentially affected residents and businesses on Croft Street.

a) Risks and Impact Analysis

None carried out

Appendices

These are listed below and attached at the back of the report		
Appendix A	Site location	
Appendix B	dix B Detail of proposed amendments to parking bays	

Background Papers

The following background papers as defined in the Local Government Act 1972 were relied upon in the writing of this report.

Document title			Where the document can be viewed
Consultation	documents	and	Avaliable on request
correspondence			

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