



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

Report to:	<b>Planning and Regulation Committee</b>
Date:	<b>05 June 2023</b>
Subject:	<b>Stamford, New Cross Road and Rutland Terrace – proposed permit parking bays</b>

**Summary:**

This report considers an objection received to the above proposals, the extent of which are shown at Appendix B.

**Recommendation(s):**

That the Committee overrules the objection and approves the proposals as advertised.

**Background**

In 2015, a Residents Parking Scheme was introduced on a number of roads within a defined zone in and around Stamford Town Centre. Marked parking bays associated with it were introduced on many of the streets but not all. Although included within the designated zone for the original scheme, bays were not introduced at that time on New Cross Road and Rutland Terrace. The local Members covering these two areas have requested that such bays are now introduced in these locations. Currently parking in these areas is not restricted. Long term commuter parking results and permit holders are unable to park in the vicinity of their homes.

The prevailing permit scheme operates on a dual bay basis, applying between 8am and 6pm daily and allows permit holders to park for an unlimited period, whilst non permit holders may park for up to two hours. It is proposed that similarly restricted bays are provided on Rutland Terrace and New Cross Road.

**Objection and comments**

One objection has been received regarding the proposals at Rutland Terrace. The objector states that this is a busy, but narrow road that should not be subject to on street parking as it will not be able to support two way traffic flow. They believe that a 2 hour limit on parking for non-permit holders will result in higher traffic flows. They state that introducing the permit scheme here will not benefit residents if the surrounding streets do

not also provide bays, it will not guarantee a parking space on Rutland Terrace, and will incur an additional cost to residents.

The issues raised by the objector are noted. However, these may already occur under current conditions in that long term parking takes place throughout the day restricting two way traffic flow and this also reduces the opportunity for residents to park. We are not aware of any obstruction to traffic flow as a result of the existing parking on Rutland Terrace so it is unlikely that this will result should the proposed parking bay be installed. Although the scheme cannot guarantee parking close to a permit holder's property, it will enhance the opportunity to do so by removing parking in excess of 2 hours by non-permit holders. Some of the surrounding streets are included within the current zone whilst others are not. Should this situation need to be reviewed, an amendment to the traffic regulation order will be required and this will be the subject of the formal consultation process.

### **Conclusion**

The proposed permit scheme will provide parking for short term parking for non-permit holders but unlimited parking for those residents who choose to purchase a permit.

Should any highway or safety issues arise following the introduction of the scheme then the restrictions may be reviewed.

### **Consultation**

The following were consulted on these proposals: Local Members, South Kesteven District Council; Stamford Town Council; Lincolnshire Police; EMAS; Lincolnshire Fire & Rescue; Road Haulage Association; Freight Transport Association; NFU; Bus companies- Stagecoach, PC Coaches, and Delaine.

The local Members are in support of the proposals.

Following statutory consultation, the proposal was publicly advertised from 13<sup>th</sup> January 2023 to 17<sup>th</sup> February 2023.

Consultation documents were delivered to residents via Royal Mail on 5<sup>th</sup> January 2023. Site notices were also erected on site on 12<sup>th</sup> January 2023.

#### **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
Appendices B and C	Detail of proposed residents parking

## 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; Correspondence	Available on request

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