# Agenda Item 4.2



#### **Regulatory and Other Committee**

# Open Report on behalf of Richard Wills, Executive Director for Environment and Economy

Report to: Planning and Regulations Committee

Date: 16 January 2017

Subject: Stamford Street & Victoria Street, Grantham –

**Proposed No Waiting Restrictions** 

**Summary:** It was brought to our attention that the emergency services were having difficulty in accessing Stamford Street and Victoria Street, Grantham. Therefore in the interests of public safety it is proposed to introduce no restrictions for short sections in this area.

#### Recommendation(s):

It is proposed that the objection be overruled and agree to the introduction of No Waiting At Any Time, as indicated on the attached plan.

## 1. Background

- 1.1 Stamford Street and Victoria Street are residential terraced streets where the majority of residents do not have off street parking. Due to the narrow nature of the road a one-way system was introduced to aid access for the residents and emergency services alike.
- 1.2 The widths of Stamford Street and Victoria Street have been measured at 7.5m. However the usable carriageway is effectively reduced to 4m due to parked vehicles.
- 1.3 As part of the overall review of waiting restrictions within the Grantham area, and after receiving concerns from the emergency services, inspections were carried out to assess traffic flow and vehicular safety in this area. The proximity of parked vehicles to the fire hydrants and around the apex of the one way system prohibits emergency service vehicles from being able to travel unrestricted along Stamford Street and Victoria Street. From these investigations the proposed waiting restrictions were conceived.

### 2. Proposal

2.1 To introduce no waiting restrictions along both sides around bends joining Stamford Street and Victoria Street, for a combined distance of 30m approximately on Stamford Street and a combined distance of. 35m approximately on Victoria Street (Appendix A).

#### 3. Consultations

3.1 The initial statutory consultations for this scheme commenced on 21 September 2016 (Appendix B). The proposal was then publically advertised between 14 October 2016 and 11 November 2016 (Appendix C).

#### 4. Objection

- 4.1 During the public consultation process an objection was received from a member of the public. The objection was made up of two components listed below:
  - 1 It is valuable piece of on street parking for local people.
  - 2 Planning permission has been granted (\$16/0528) without provision for off street parking.

#### 5. Comments on Objections

- 5.1 We would make the following comments to the respective components of the objection:
  - 1 -It is acknowledged that pressure for on street parking spaces is increasing whilst the number of spaces available remains limited. However requirements of the emergency services need to be considered in allocating on street car parking spaces.
  - 2 -LCC is a consultee under all planning applications, and our comment on this occasion was:

Having given due regard to the appropriate local and national planning policy guidance (in particular the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF)), Lincolnshire County Council (as Highway Authority and Lead Local Flood Authority) has concluded that the proposed development is acceptable. Accordingly, Lincolnshire County Council (as Highway Authority and Lead Local Flood Authority) does not wish to object to this planning application.

Furthermore that; Under NPPF we cannot recommend refusal because of lack of off street parking.

#### 6. Conclusion

6.1 Whilst the objection has been noted it is recommended that it be overruled on this occasion in the interest of emergency service's needs.

#### a) Policy Proofing Actions Required

#### **Appendices**

| These are listed below and attached at the back of the report |               |
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| Appendix A  | Location Plan |

| Appendix B | Consultation Letter |
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| Appendix C | Public Notice       |
| Appendix D | Photographs         |

# **Background Papers**

No background papers within Section 100D of the local Government Act 1972 were used in the preparation of this report.

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