

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

Report to:	Planning and Regulation Committee
Date:	02 November 2020
Subject:	Dunholme: Allwood Road, Watery Lane & Honeyholes Lane – Proposed Waiting Restrictions

Summary:

This report considers an amendment and objection to a proposed Traffic Regulation Order to introduce waiting restrictions at Allwood Road, Watery Lane & Honeyholes Lane, Dunholme

Recommendation(s):

That the Committee approves the minor amendment proposed at Watery Lane and that the objection to the proposal is overruled so that the Order, as advertised, may be introduced.

Background

Following concerns raised by the Head Teacher of Dunholme C of E Primary School, Lincolnshire Police and local residents with regard to parking in the vicinity of the village school, visits to the area took place to investigate the issues raised.

A school safety zone has been in place on Ryland Road for several years. This advises a 'no stopping' restriction on the zig zag markings at school times, and is generally well observed. However, at school drop off and pick up times parking takes place outside the zone at the junctions of Allwood Road and Watery Lane with Ryland Road. Observations confirm that this can result in obstruction to footways, private accesses and traffic flow, and reduce visibility for vehicles exiting and entering Allwood Road and Watery Lane.

In order to manage parking at these locations it is proposed to introduce a 24 hour waiting restriction to remove parking on both sides of the road as shown at Appendix A. It is also proposed to restrict parking on a short length of Honeyholes Lane to deter any displaced parking from relocating to its junction with Barrett Grove.

Following statutory consultation, the proposal was publicly advertised from 27th February to 26th March 2020.

Objections/comments

Following a request from a resident the proposals incorporate a minor modification in the form of a reduction in length of the restrictions by 8m along the south side of Watery Lane, as highlighted at Appendix A. This removes any restriction across the vehicular access to the adjacent property allowing the resident to utilise the area for parking if necessary, and will not impact on the aims of the scheme.

One objection has been received from a resident following the public advertisement of these proposals. They have concerns that the proposed restriction on Watery Lane will result in inconvenience for visitors trying to park in the area, and that if implemented, they should apply only at school start and finish times.

Comments

Site visits have confirmed that parked vehicles on Watery Lane result in obstruction to footways, traffic flow and private accesses and those parked close to the junction can result in vehicles having to reverse onto Ryland Road in order to allow traffic to exit, at a location where visibility for oncoming traffic is limited.

Although there will be a reduction in on street parking as a result of these proposals much of the area remains unrestricted and available for parking.

The introduction of part time restrictions has been considered but the issues described above can occur at any time and the proposal reflects this.

Conclusion

The restrictions proposed serve to manage on street parking on roads and junctions in the vicinity of the local school which can become congested at school start and finish times. It is anticipated that following their introduction, improvements to traffic flow will result and that pedestrian safety, particularly that of school children, will be improved.

Consultation

The following were consulted with regard to these proposals: Local member, West Lindsey District Council, Dunholme Parish Council, Lincolnshire Police, Fire & Rescue, East Midlands Ambulance, Dunholme C of E Primary School, Stagecoach, PC Coaches, Brylaine, Road Haulage Association Ltd, Freight Transport Association and the National Farmers Union.

a) Have Risks and Impact Analysis been carried out??

No

b) Risks and Impact Analysis

n/a

Appendices

These are listed below and attached at the back of the report	
Appendix A	Plan showing extent of proposed waiting restriction

Background Papers

Document title	Where the document can be viewed
None	

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