



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

Report to:	Planning and Regulation Committee
Date:	06 September 2021
Subject:	Langworth, Barlings Lane - Proposed Waiting Restrictions

Summary:

This report considers objections to the introduction of waiting restrictions as shown at Appendix B.

Recommendation(s):

That the objections are overruled so that the Order as advertised may be introduced.

Background

Concerns have been raised by Langworth Parish Council regarding parking in the vicinity of the junction of the A158 with Barlings Lane in the village. This lies on a route used regularly by large and agricultural vehicles and the presence of parked vehicles here can lead to the obstruction of traffic flow on both approaches as well as overrunning of the adjacent verges and footways.

Having monitored the site the issues raised have been confirmed and a proposal to introduce a 24 hour restriction on parking as shown at Appendix B was subject to statutory consultation followed by public advertisement earlier this year.

Objections

Three objections have been received to this proposal. There are concerns that the restrictions are overly long and risk the displacement of parking onto private property. It is suggested that double kerbs should be installed to prevent overrunning or that verges are converted to hard standing to accommodate parking. A restriction on the use of Barlings Lane by large vehicles is also suggested.

Comments

Although it is acknowledged that some agricultural vehicles are of a size where overrunning of kerbs will be inevitable regardless of the presence of parked vehicles, the proposed restrictions serve to reduce the incidence of this, and maintain a clear route to access and negotiate the junction with the A158 for all traffic.

Space for on street parking is available further east on Barlings Lane where it is less likely to cause obstruction to traffic flow.

A restriction on access for larger vehicles cannot be justified given the agricultural nature of the area and the exemption to the restriction which will apply to most vehicles using Barlings Lane as they are likely to require legitimate access to premises along it.

Conclusion

The restrictions as proposed are the minimum required to ensure vehicular access in and out of this junction is safely maintained. Although on street parking outside some residential properties will be removed alternative provision is close by.

a) Risks and Impact Analysis

The following were consulted with regard to these proposals: Local Member, West Lindsey District Council, Langworth Parish Council, Lincolnshire Police, Fire & Rescue, East Midlands Ambulance Service, Stagecoach, PC Coaches, Road Haulage Association Ltd, Freight Transport Association and National Farmers Union.

Appendices

These are listed below and attached at the back of the report	
Appendix A	Site location
Appendix B	Detail of proposed restrictions

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