



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

Report to:	Planning and Regulation Committee
Date:	14 February 2022
Subject:	Lincoln, Bell Street/Edward Street - Proposed No Waiting at Any Time

Summary:

This report considers an objection to the proposed waiting restrictions at the junction of Bell Street and Edward Street, Lincoln.

Recommendation(s):

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

Background

A request was received from the Neighbourhood Policing Sergeant for an extension to the existing 24-hour waiting restrictions at Bell Street to incorporate its junction with Edward Street. The police have been in receipt of numerous complaints regarding obstruction to access into Edward Street owing to vehicles parking close to this junction. The street is a cul de sac with no alternative access and concerns have been raised over potential difficulties for access by emergency vehicles should this be required.

Monitoring of the area has confirmed the presence of parking on this junction and the difficulties arising as a result. A proposal has therefore been put forward to extend the double yellow lines as shown at Appendix B.

One objection has been received citing that reducing available on street parking in the area will be detrimental to residents. They have concerns that the proposals will result in residents having to park some distance from their properties and suggests there are safety concerns for those who, as a result, will have to navigate these streets in the dark evenings with limited provision of street lighting.

The objector's concern that the proposed extension to the existing waiting restrictions will reduce on street parking space is noted, and three or four vehicles will be displaced. However, parking close to the junction either on Bell Street or Edward Street obstructs the flow of traffic in and out of Edward Street, and the tendency for vehicles to pull onto the footway then obstructs the route for pedestrians.

Conclusion

The double yellow lines as proposed will ensure that the junction of Bell Street and Edward Street is kept clear of parked vehicles, ensuring that access is maintained for residents, emergency service vehicles and pedestrians. The extent of the proposals is the minimum which achieves this aim whilst retaining on street parking where it can be safely accommodated.

Consultation

a) Risks and Impact Analysis

None carried out

The following were consulted with regards to this proposal: Local Member, Lincolnshire Road Safety partnership, Lincolnshire Police, Lincoln City Council, Fire & Rescue, EMAS, Traffic Commissioners, Confederation of Public Transport, Stagecoach East Midlands, Road Haulage Association, Freight Transport Association, Disability Lincs Ltd and the National Farmers Union. The proposals have been advertised in the local press and on site and affected frontages have also been consulted.

The local Member is in support of this proposal.

Appendices

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

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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