



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

Report to:	<b>Planning and Regulation Committee</b>
Date:	<b>14 February 2022</b>
Subject:	<b>Lincoln, Bishops Road &amp; Deacon Road - Proposed No Waiting at Any Time</b>

**Summary:**

This report considers an objection to proposed waiting restrictions at Bishops Road & Deacon Road, Lincoln.

**Recommendation(s):**

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

**Background**

The local Member for this area raised concerns that on street parking on Deacon Road and at its junction with Bishops Road results in difficulties for vehicles requiring access to and from business premises at this location. Monitoring of the site has confirmed that parked vehicles do cause obstruction to access and visibility, and a proposal to introduce a 24-hour waiting restriction, as indicated at Appendix B, has been subject to statutory consultation and public advertisement.

**Objection/Comments**

An objection has been received to these proposals from a business in the area. They reserve their off-road parking space for customers, some of whom may have a disability and therefore need to park close to their destination. As a result, staff are required to park on street and there are concerns that the proposed restrictions will displace these vehicles which may then park on the opposite side of the road, potentially causing a hazard for through traffic, or elsewhere on the estate resulting in similar issues. They suggest that restrictions are introduced on the opposite side of the road as an alternative to those proposed. They are concerned that the reduction in on street parking will threaten the viability of businesses in the area.

The concern of this business is noted. However, on street parking results in reduced visibility of oncoming traffic for those vehicles existing premises here and can cause difficulties for those trying to access. Visibility will not be impeded by parking on the other side of the road and no accesses are present along this stretch, so restrictions here are not recommended at this time.

Should the restrictions be introduced we will monitor the site for any potential outcomes in terms of displaced parking. However much of the area remains unrestricted and we anticipate that safe alternative on street parking will be available nearby.

## Conclusion

The restrictions as proposed will serve to protect vehicular access to and from businesses in the area. Deacon Road and Bishops Road lie within a large industrial estate with extensive areas where on street parking can be safely accommodated, and it is unlikely the displacement of the small number of vehicles affected will have a detrimental effect on traffic safety and businesses.

## 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, East Midlands Ambulance Trust, Traffic Commissioners, Confederation of Public Transport, Stagecoach East Midlands, PC Coaches, Road Haulage Association, Freight Transport Association, and the National Farmers Union. The local Member is in support of the proposals.

The proposal was publicly advertised from 23 September to 22 October 2021 and copies of the consultation document and plans were delivered to affected premises on 19 September. The documents were also made available on the County Councils' website.

## Appendices

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

## 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; letter of objection	Available on request

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