



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

Report to:	Planning and Regulation Committee
Date:	09 May 2022
Subject:	Pinchbeck, Edison Court - Proposed No Waiting at Any Time & Limited Waiting Bays

Summary:

This report considers objections to proposed waiting restrictions and limited waiting bays on Edison Court, Pinchbeck.

Recommendation(s):

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

Background

Following a request from the local County Councillor for an assessment of on street parking at Edison Court, the area was monitored to determine if the introduction of waiting restrictions to manage parking would be of benefit.

Currently no restrictions are in place and site visits have confirmed that vehicles associated with nearby businesses park for long periods in Edison Court throughout the day. This results in obstruction of access into and along the cul de sac, particularly for HGVs, and interferes with visibility at the junction with Enterprise Way.

To manage parking here it is proposed to introduce a no waiting at any time restriction throughout Edison Court, apart from two lengths of limited waiting bay to apply Monday – Saturday, 8am – 6pm, and located between accesses on the east side, as shown at Appendix B.

Consultation letters and plans of the proposals were delivered to all premises on Edison Court on 6th October 2021. The proposal was advertised in the Spalding Guardian on 14th October 2021 with an objection period ending on 11th November. The documents were also available to view on the County Council's website.

Objections

Nine objections have been received. There are concerns that, as premises here have limited off street parking availability, the restriction of on street parking will deter visitors and impact

negatively on businesses and their staff. It is also believed that parking will be displaced onto Enterprise Way, resulting in obstruction to traffic here also. The one-hour time period proposed for the limited waiting bays is considered too short to be of use to the customers of one of the businesses. It is suggested that a form of permit scheme is introduced to enable space in the highway to be shared amongst the businesses.

Comments

The introduction of the restrictions as proposed will remove persistent, long-term parking and ensure that access to businesses in Edison Court is maintained at all times, whilst providing bays for short term parking for visitors during the day. These bays will then provide unrestricted parking during the evenings and on Sundays.

Concerns over parking being displaced onto Enterprise Way are noted. However, the carriageway here is of adequate width to support parking without causing obstruction to traffic flow. Should issues arise here in the future however, then the area may be assessed independently to identify if further restrictions will be required.

Permit schemes are introduced on a zonal basis to provide on street parking opportunity for residents in areas subject to extensive commuter parking. Industrial areas will therefore not qualify under the current County Council guidance for these schemes.

Conclusion

The restrictions as proposed in Edison Court will serve to protect vehicular access to and from premises. It is anticipated that Enterprise Way will safely accommodate any displacement of parking from here. The proposed limited waiting bays will create a turnover of for visitors during the day but will be unlimited in the evenings to cater for those businesses in operation at this time.

Consultation

The following were consulted with regards to this proposal: County Councillor Sneath, Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership, Lincolnshire Police, South Holland District Council, Pinchbeck Parish Council, Lincolnshire Fire & Rescue, East Midlands Ambulance Trust, Traffic Commissioners, Confederation of Public Transport, Stagecoach East Midlands, PC Coaches, Road Haulage Association, Freight Transport Association, Disability Lincs Ltd and the National Farmers Union.

a) Risks and Impact Analysis

N/A

Appendices

These are listed below and attached at the back of the report	
Appendix A	Site location
Appendix B	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 and correspondence	Available on request

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