

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

Report to:	Planning and Regulation Committee	
Date:	13 March 2023	
Subject:	Lincoln, Belle Vue Terrace - Proposed waiting restrictions	

Summary:

This report considers objections recieved to proposed waiting restrictions at Belle Vue Terrace, Lincoln

Recommendation(s):

That the Committee overrules the objections and approves the proposals as advertised.

Background

The section of Belle Vue Terrace under consideration is the narrow slip road off Carline Rd adjacent to Nos.1 – 8 as indicated at Appendix B. Currently a permit parking bay for Zone 1A is in place here but concerns have been raised by residents that vehicles using this bay obstruct access to and from private driveways. Given the narrow width of the carriageway here and the potential for obstruction to driveways and traffic flow resulting from vehicles using the bay, a proposal to replace a section of it with double yellow lines has been subject to statutory consultation and public advertisement.

A petition containing 27 signatures and itemising reasons for objection to this proposal has been received. Concerns are raised that demand for space by permit holders is high and any reduction to permit parking bays will exacerbate this. It is claimed that the bay does not cause any issues and that the proposed extension of double yellow lines into this section will allow Blue Badge holders to park here, but discriminate against non-badge holders, particularly those residents who are elderly.

The details of the petition are noted. Although Blue Badge holders are permitted to park for up to three hours on double yellow lines, this will be only where it is safe to do so and where no obstruction would result. This section of bay spans two driveways and the gap between is too short to accommodate a vehicle. As any vehicle parking here will result in obstruction to driveways it is unlikely to be occupied by a Blue Badge holder. The presence of the bay however confuses permit holders by suggesting it is available to them for parking, which is inappropriate, and it should therefore be removed.

It is recognised that some permit parking zones under the administration of the City of Lincoln Council may be over subscribed. The permit entitlement was reduced from 3 to 2 per household for new applicants some time ago and over time the effects of this should reduce the competition for space currently experienced by permit holders.

Conclusion

The installation of a no waiting at any time restriction to replace this section of permit parking bay will serve to remove the current ambiguity it presents and protect the private accesses adjacent to it. In addition, the carriageway is narrow at this point and the passage of larger vehicles will be facilitated by the introduction of this proposal.

Consultation

The following were consulted on these proposals: Local Member, Lincoln City Council; Lincolnshire Police; EMAS; Lincolnshire Fire & Rescue; Road Haulage Association; Freight Transport Association; Residents of Belle Vue Terrace

a) Risks and Impact Analysis

None carried out

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

No background papers within Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972 were used in the preparation of this report.

Document Title	5			Where the document can be viewed.
Consultation	documents;	Petition	and	Available on request.
objections; correspondence.				

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